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Learning Together To Make A Better Future

7th October 2022

NEWS LETTER

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Events coloured in green are either those which are funded by our enrichment pot or events that contribute to the pot as fundraising. Thank you for your support.

Day	Date	Event
w/c	10.10.22	Y6 assessment week
Thurs	13.10.22	8.45am and 2.30pm Harvest assembly led by Years 1 and 2.
Thurs	13.10.22	Closing date for quiz entries
Fri	14.10.22	Poetry Festival Finals
Tues	18.10.22	2.40pm Spain Demonstration of Learning
Weds	19.10.22	2.40pm Netherlands Demonstration of Learning
Thurs	20.10.22	2.40pm Finland Demonstration of Learning
Fri	21.10.22	8am – 8.40am Community breakfast – come for a mini breakfast – sausage, bacon, hashbrown, beans, toast and a drink for £3.50.
Fri	21.10.22	Last day of term
Tues	1.11.22	First day of next half term

BUN SALES – 50p

Date	Class to bring buns
14/10/22	Spain
21/10/22	UK
4/11/22	Denmark
11/11/22	Italy
18/11/22	Belgium
25/11/22	Ukraine
2/12/22	Finland
9/12/22	Greece
16/12/22	Poland

TOAST ROTA – 50p

Monday	Reception
Tuesday	Years 1 & 2
Wednesday	Years 3 & 4
Thursday	Years 5 & 6

OUR SCHOOL MENU

Week Commencing Monday 10th October
 (Subject to change due to stock shortages)

MONDAY

Cod Fish Fingers
 Vegetable Sausage Roll
 Ham Sandwich
 Cheese Wrap
 Potato Wedges, Peas and Sweetcorn

Lemon Drizzle Sponge
 Fruit
 Yoghurt

TUESDAY

Chicken Fillet Burger in a Bun
 Quorn Chicken Fillet in a Bun
 Turkey Sandwich
 Tuna Wrap
 Diced Herby Potatoes, Carrots and Green Beans

Biscuit
 Fruit
 Yoghurt

WEDNESDAY

Roast Chicken and Yorkshire Pudding
 Quorn Roast and Yorkshire Pudding
 Egg Sandwich
 Turkey Wrap
 Roast Potatoes, Cabbage and Broccoli

Strawberry Smoothie
 Fruit
 Yoghurt

THURSDAY

Sweet and Sour Chicken
 Tomato and Basil Pasta
 Cheese Sandwich
 Ham Wrap
 Rice, Pitta Bread and Mixed Vegetables

Chocolate Fudge Cake
 Fruit
 Yoghurt

FRIDAY

Chicken and Pepper Pizza
 Vegetable Seashell Pasta
 Tuna Sandwich
 Cream Cheese and Cucumber Wrap
 Chips, Beans and Mixed Vegetables

Rice Pudding
 Fruit
 Yoghurt

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News from this week

School Council Elections

The children in Years 1 to 6 all visited the polling station this week to vote in the School Council Elections. They each gave their name to be checked against the electoral roll, received their ballot paper, cast their vote then placed their ballot paper in the ballot box.

The results will be announced in whole school assembly on Monday.

Sad News

It is with great sadness that I have to inform you that Miss Redmond will be leaving at the end of this half term. She has been an amazing member of Team Withinfields supporting children, staff and families with her friendly and positive nature. She has always gone the extra mile and will be missed incredibly when she bids us farewell for her adventures in Australia!

I know many of you will want to wish her 'good luck' in person so please feel free to call in at the office to do this!

New Staff Member

We have a new member of staff already learning as much as she can from Miss Redmond before she goes. She is called Miss Lock. Please be patient if you ring school and she doesn't immediately know the answer to your query while she finds her feet!

Information for next week

Harvest

The Year 1 and Year 2 children have been practising for their Harvest assembly which will take place on Thursday. The assembly will take place at 8.45am and repeated at 2.30pm. For parents of Year 1 and 2 children that want to come to the morning, please drop your children off as normal and then come around to the hall fire door. Similarly in the afternoon, the hall fire doors will be opened from 2.20pm for you to enter.

Thank you, to all families, for the growing display of harvest goods. Please continue to donate the following items if you feel financially able to:

- toiletry items including toothpaste and toothbrushes, shampoo and shower gel
- cleaning products
- non-perishable items including wholesome items that would provide a meal e.g. tins of chilli, soup, jars of pasta sauce.
- Items that families may have had to cut down on due to tightening budgets e.g. cakes, biscuits

Following our Harvest assemblies on Thursday, we would like to provide parcels of support to our Withinfields' families in need first so if you feel that your family is in a position where they would benefit from one of these, please email me at head@withinfields.calderdale.sch.uk or catch me or Mrs Barton at the gate.

If there are items left once we have distributed to our families in need, we will donate the remaining items to a local food bank.

Other Information

PE Hoodies

We have received information from a uniform supplier who can provide Withinfields' hoodies for children to wear on PE days. They are the same colour as our school sweatshirts with or without a school logo depending on your preference. We're just finalising prices with the supplier and so will send a text and dojo message next week when the school gateway payment are online. We are hoping to send an order in before half term and will then do a termly order after that.

Community Breakfast

We are holding a community breakfast on the last day of term but with a little difference this time. We will be serving a mini cooked breakfast comprising of sausage, bacon (or two vegetarian sausages), hashbrown, beans, toast and a drink for £3.50 per person. You can join us from 8am with the children going to class as normal at 8.40am. Any profit made from this event will go to our enrichment pot which pays for all trips (except the residential) and workshops in school.

Reception 2023

We have sent out a flyer this week advertising our open days. We are really keen to promote these as far and wide as we can so please share this flyer on your social media and amongst your family and friends. We take children into Withinfields from lots of different areas including as far as Cleckheaton, Low Moor and Mytholmroyd so if you, as our current parents, can share this information, we are likely to attract more children into our reception. Clearly more children means that we get more funding so that we can continue to provide the provision that Withinfields families are used to. Many thanks for your support.

In case you missed it....

Guides Group

We have received information about a Girl Guide Pack who are looking for new members. They meet at Lightcliffe Scout Hut on Thursday evenings from 7pm to 8.30pm. Guides need to be at least 10 years old. They offer:

- A place to have fun
- A group to make new friends with girls of all ages
- Camping trips and residentials
- Fun outdoor activities – camp fires, climbing and orienteering
- Games and fun and varied badge work.

They are offering a taster session on Thursday 13th October with 20 places available on this evening. To book a place, please email 1brighthouseguides@gmail.com

If your child is not yet 10, you can be added to the waiting list ready for when they become 10.

Grammar School Tuition

I have received information from an organisation which offers grammar school tuition for children in Year 5. The owner would be happy to run a group at Withinfields if there was enough appetite for this.

The sessions would last 2 hours, from 3.30pm until 5.30pm and the organisation would charge £34 per pupil per session. The sessions would be payable direct to the organisation running the sessions at the start of each half term.

Minimum numbers would be 8 in order to ensure a group that wouldn't fold if anyone dropped out.

If any Year 5 parents are interested in me pursuing this at Withinfields, please email me on helena.york@withinfields.calderdale.sch.uk

Alternatively, if you would just like details of the company to make your own arrangements, please let me know and I can pass these on to you.

Partnerships with School Nursing Team

We have lots of visitors coming into school over the next few weeks. You should have received emails for the following if they relate to your child.

Reception children - Eye screening tests

This is an opt out scheme in that they will check your child's vision unless you opt out. Please check your emails with instructions on how to opt out.

Reception and YR6 – Height and weight checks

These checks are carried out by registered school nurses and parents will be contacted privately if they have any concerns. This is also an opt out scheme so please check your emails for instructions on how to do this.

Italy Demonstration of Learning

Apologies for the mistake on the diary dates which were distributed last week. I'd double booked Italy class to be doing their demonstration of learning while they were on their residential at Robinwood! I've changed the date so that they will do their demonstration of learning on Monday 5th December now instead.

Withinfields' Autumn Family Quiz

Thank you to those families that have already purchased a family quiz. They cost £2 and the winning entry will win a family hamper. The closing date for entries is 13th October. There are some questions that your youngest children will know the answers to and others that may need some adult help. The main aim is to enjoy it!

If you would like one, please call at the office to purchase one, send in £2 in a named envelope or pay on School Gateway.

Good Luck, everyone!

Year 6 Secondary School Allocations

Just a reminder that parents in Year 6 need to make an online application for a secondary school before the end

of October. You need to follow this link to start the process.

<https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/residents/education-and-learning/schools/admissions>

Any problems or if you need any advice, don't hesitate to contact me.

Nursery in January 2023

We will be organising a January intake for our Nursery. This will be for any child who will become 3 this term and before the 31st December. Children in this age range will then stay in our nursery for 5 terms before progressing to school. If you want further information about how to apply, please contact the school office.

Applications received up to 4th November will be dealt with first and any applications received after this time will be dealt with when places have been allocated to those applying by 4th.