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*Learning Together To Make A Better Future*

6<sup>th</sup> January 2023

# 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
Thurs	26.1.23	2pm onwards Parents' Evening
Mon	30.1.23	Pm Y2 Family Learning event
w/c	6.2.23	Y6 assessment week
Tues	7.2.23	2.40pm Greece Demonstration of Learning
Weds	8.2.23	2.40pm Ireland Demonstration of Learning
Thurs	9.2.23	2.40pm Poland Demonstration of Learning
Fri	10.2.23	Last day of term
Tues	21.2.23	Back to school

## BUN SALES – 50p

Date	Class to bring buns
13.1.23	Sweden
20.1.23	Germany
27.1.23	Netherlands
3.2.23	Ireland
10.2.23	Spain
24.2.23	UK
3.3.23	Denmark
10.3.23	Italy
17.3.23	Belgium
24.3.23	Ukraine
31.3.23	Finland
21.4.23	Greece
28.4.23	Poland
5.6.23	Switzerland
12.6.23	Austria

## TOAST ROTA – 50p

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

## OUR SCHOOL MENU

Week Commencing Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January  
 (Subject to change due to stock shortages)

### MONDAY

Battered Fish Fillets  
 Cheese Rolls  
 Ham Sandwich  
 Cheese Wrap  
 Chips and Beans

Strawberry Ice Cream Tub  
 Fruit  
 Yoghurt

### TUESDAY

Mince and Onion Pie and Gravy  
 Savoury Quorn Mince and Yorkshire Pudding  
 Turkey Sandwich  
 Tuna Wrap  
 New Potatoes, Cabbage and Carrots

Cherry and Apple Pie  
 Fruit  
 Yoghurt

### WEDNESDAY

Roast Chicken Fillet with Sage and Onion Stuffing  
 Quorn Fillet with Sage and Onion Stuffing  
 Egg Sandwich  
 Turkey Wrap  
 Roast Potatoes, Carrot and Swede Mash and Broccoli

Jam Bun  
 Fruit  
 Yoghurt

### THURSDAY

Pasta Bolognese  
 Mac 'n' Cheese  
 Cheese Sandwich  
 Ham Wrap  
 Garlic Bread and Mixed Vegetables

Marble Sponge  
 Fruit  
 Yoghurt

### FRIDAY

Chicken Wrap with Salad  
 Margherita Pizza  
 Tuna Sandwich  
 Cream Cheese and Cucumber Wrap  
 Diced Herby Potatoes, Peas and Sweetcorn

Chocolate Rice Krispie Bun  
 Fruit  
 Yoghurt

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### **News from this week**

#### Assemblies

We have started a number of series of assemblies this week which will continue for the term. The whole school assemblies on Mondays will be looking at special days and events. On Tuesdays, we will be focusing on the importance of light in different cultures and religions with us starting by looking at how fireworks were used to welcome the new year in. In KS2 assemblies on Wednesday, Mrs Barton will be leading a series of assemblies about developing resilience and recognising how we all have worries and feel anxious at times but can sometimes use this to help us to perform well. In EYFS and KS1 assemblies on Thursdays, I will be teaching the children about our core values. We started the series off yesterday acting out the stories of The Boy who cried wolf as an exemplification of our core value of trust.

### **Information for next week**

#### Active Withinfields

From this month we are setting family challenges as part of our involvement in the Creating Active Schools initiative. Our first challenge for January is to play in the snow (or if the weather prevents that, to take a walk in the woods). Build a snowman, have a snowball fight, go sledging, make snow angels, or just take a wintry walk. Please send a photo to your child's class teacher on Classdojo of your child or whole family doing the activity for some bonus clan points! Ms Wilson and Mr Griffiths would also love to see your photos so please send them to them too!

#### Doctorate Research working with Derby University

As a school, we have agreed to support a lady who is completing a doctorate research project with Derby University. The focus of this project is to research whether a method called Appreciative Inquiry can be used to support our school in developing the wellbeing of our school community. As you are all hopefully aware, this is important to us all at TeamWithinfields and we place children, staff, governor and parent wellbeing as a high priority.

The research involves a number of questionnaires over the next few terms to gain data about the wellbeing of our school community from as many people as possible. There will also be opportunity to take part in the actual project as a parent if this is something that you might be interested in. Children in Years 4, 5 and 6 will also be involved in the questionnaires unless they or their parents opt out. There will also be opportunity for some of the children to become more involved in the working parties within the project.

I will send information out next week to all parents giving information about the initial questionnaire for parents to complete about themselves. I will also send out similar information to parents of children in Years 4, 5 and 6 giving details about how they can opt their child out of the questionnaire.

We are really excited to have been chosen to work on this project and hope that you will support us in doing this.

### **Other Information**

#### Victoria Percival

It is with immense sadness that I write to inform you that our Chair of Governors, Mrs Victoria Percival, passed away after a brave battle against her illness.

Victoria has been an incredible ambassador for the school for many years as a governor and chair of the governing body. She was instrumental in leading the governing body during our Ofsted inspection to ensure that we were judged as good in our leadership and management judgment which includes how well the governors perform their duties.

Victoria was supportive in her role and volunteered her time generously. However, she was also strategic in her challenge of the school's leadership team, holding us to account for the improvement of the school.

She was an integral part of TeamWithinfields and is missed by us all.

#### Term Dates 2022-23

The term dates on the website for this year have been amended slightly to reflect the additional bank holiday for the King's coronation.

#### Reception intake September 2023

All parents with children who will be four on or before 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023, need to have applied for a school place by 15<sup>th</sup> January. This includes children who are already in our nursery. If you have any difficulty accessing the Calderdale admissions portal, please let me know and I can support you with the process.

#### Nursery intakes

We are likely to be able to admit a small intake to nursery in April as we have some spaces on some sessions. If you have a child who will be 3 or over on 31<sup>st</sup> March, and you want them to be considered for this intake, please get in touch with the school office to complete an expression of interest form. The closing dates for forms for this April intake is 11<sup>th</sup> January.

The deadline for completing an expression of interest form for the nursery intake in September (children who are 3 on or before 31<sup>st</sup> August) is 24<sup>th</sup> April. We will still accept forms after this but they will be allocated places after the people who have handed forms in by 24<sup>th</sup> April.

Many thanks for those parents that have already filled forms in for Nursery places.