

**Next Week's Events**

**Week commencing Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November** – Pay & Play after school club 3.30pm – 4.30pm.

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November**– Pay & Play after school club 3.30pm – 4.30pm

SAT's club continues

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November**– Sport after school club until 4.30pm

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November** –Pay & Play after school club 3.30pm – 4.30pm

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November** – PE lesson in the afternoon – please come to school in PE kit

**Future Diary Dates**

**THINGS TO REMEMBER – KS2**

Signed reading records Monday

Orange spelling books every day

Reading books every day

Come to school in PE kit on a Friday

Trainers on a Wednesday if doing after school club

**THINGS TO REMEMBER – KS1**

Come to school in PE kit on a Friday

Trainers on a Wednesday if doing after school club

**Heads Up**

Boris

The news on Saturday of a lockdown of non-essential business by the Government has led to new regulations we must all get used to. In school we have had to re-evaluate risk assessments after receiving guidance from the Local Authority. I would like to thank parents for supporting us as we continue to provide a safe space for your pupils to enjoy their learning. As a school we are aware of the challenges faced by the local community and we are here to help. Please get in touch if we can help or if you have any worries or concerns about the impact this period may have on your family.

Bangs

Bonfire night seems to have lost some of its sparkle this year. In the absence of organised firework events please take care and stay safe if you are using sparklers and fireworks at home. Please follow the firework code and ensure all children are supervised by an adult.



Trump

As the American election still continues to stir debate I saw this picture online which brought a wry smile to my face.



TRUST

Reading is a cornerstone of our curriculum and we always encourage pupils to read in school and at home for pleasure. The guide below shows how you can support your children at home with their reading by using the TRUST technique.

## Helping Home Learning

### Read with TRUST

Reading opportunities are everywhere. You can make anything a learning experience for your child, just follow the TRUST ideas to talk about anything your child enjoys reading.

- T** Take turns to talk about what you are going to read
- R** Recap the predictions as you are reading
- U** Use lots of encouragement
- S** Share what you know about the text
- T** Tune-in and be interested

The TRUST framework was selected from 'High Quality Interactions' in the EEF's guidance report *Preparing for Literacy* (p.8)

### Remembrance Sunday



At this time of year it is always important to remember those who sacrificed themselves to honour and protect our freedom. A huge thanks to the British Legion who have allowed us to keep merchandise to give out as rewards and prizes this year. Thank you for your generosity.

### Ofsted

As you may be aware we were one of the random 1200 schools selected by Ofsted to receive a virtual visit to discuss the schools response to Covid-19 this week. Miss Cheesbrough and I talked at length with two HMI Inspectors about the impact of the pandemic on the pupils, parents and staff and how we had coped. It was pleasing to share with them how we as a community had responded to the challenge and the success we had at being able to remain open during the first lockdown. It will take a number of weeks before the letter recording the visit is written, quality assured and then shared with the school. Parents will be provided with a copy of the letter and it will also appear on both the school and Ofsted website.

### Halloween Fun

A huge thanks to the PTA, staff and pupils who attended the Halloween disco last night it was great to have a sense of normality despite everything else that is going on. The children enjoyed their evening and were very appreciative of the 'packed lunches' and sweets. They were also able to learn lots from my dancing and singing skills...



I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe weekend.

A final note to fans of North-East football one team has currently more points than the others...😊

### **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

We had a great time at the Halloween/Bonfire party last night, dressed in our Halloween costumes. The children behaved impeccably, as usual, and thoroughly enjoyed the dancing and games. Tea was enjoyed by all and we sold out of sweets at the tuck shop fairly quickly so there were probably one or two children suffering from extreme sugar rush at bedtime!

### **Open afternoons next week**

Unfortunately, due to the Coronavirus epidemic, we have decided to cancel our planned open afternoons next week. If you know of anybody who had planned to visit, we would be grateful if you could pass on our apologies and let them know we will contact them when we have re-scheduled.

### **Parents afternoon/evening**

A reminder that the parents afternoon/evening appointments will now be done over the telephone, rather than face to face. We have both mobile and home numbers for each family on record but if there is a particular number you would like us to use, please let Mrs Hughes know on Monday.

### **Reading**

A fantastic effort from the year 5 & 6 pupils who ALL remembered to bring in their signed reading records on Monday. It is most unusual for everybody to remember so a huge well done. The children are very enthusiastic about our new books and are desperate to read to staff in school. Keep it up!

### **SATs Club**

This week was our first after school SAT's club for the year 6 children. They worked really hard with Mrs Sayer which will put them in good stead for tests in May.

### **Foodbank donations**

We would appreciate if each family could kindly donate one item for our collection box of items to be sent to a local foodbank. Usually we would donate our harvest produce but as we have not had a Harvest Festival this year, we are simply collecting foodstuffs instead. Ideal items are tinned or packet goods. The collection box is in the foyer of the junior building. Thank you.

### **Menu**

Please see attached menu for the next four weeks. Please could this be handed in AT THE OFFICE on Monday morning. Please do not hand it to the class teacher as this causes disruptions during lessons when the menus need to be collected from each site.

### Week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Beef burger in a homemade bun with chips, green beans and sweetcorn	Chicken fajitas & vegetable rice with broccoli and carrots	Savoury minced beef and dumplings with creamed mashed potato, carrots & peas  Sliced wholemeal bread	Roast pork loin with homemade apple sauce & gravy with ratatouille & sweetcorn  Home-made white bread	Salmon & sweet potato fishcake with potato wedges, baked beans & tomato salad  50/50 bread
Tuna or cheese baguette	Tuna or cheese jacket	Tuna or cheese baguette	Tuna or cheese jacket	Tuna or cheese baguette
Lemon & lime drizzle cake	Sweet pizza with ice cream	Chocolate crunch	Cheese & crackers	Fresh fruit salad with cream
Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt

### Week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sausages in a home-made bun with tomato ketchup, diced potatoes, peas & coleslaw	Pasta bolognese with green salad and grated carrot  Garlic bread	Roast chicken, sage & onion stuffing and gravy, roast potatoes & a medley of vegetables  50/50 bread	Mexican beef tortilla boats with vegetable rice, broccoli & carrots	Battered fish with chipped potatoes, peas & sweetcorn  Home-made wholemeal bread
Cheese or tuna baguette	Tuna or cheese jacket	Tuna or cheese baguette	Tuna or cheese jacket	Tuna or cheese baguette
Pineapple upside down pudding and custard	Chocolate orange muffin	Oat cookie & apple wedge	Fruit jelly & ice cream	Cheese & crackers
Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or fruit yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt

### Week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheese & tomato pizza with diced potatoes, fruity coleslaw and mixed salad  50/50 bread	Chicken & veg pie & gravy with new potatoes, peas and sweetcorn  Sliced wholemeal bread	Meatballs in tomato sauce with pasta spirals, green beans & carrots  Cheese & onion flatbread	Chicken korma & brown rice with a medley of vegetables  Naan bread	Fish fingers with tomato ketchup & chipped potatoes & vegetable sticks  Crusty white bread
Cheese or tuna baguette	Cheese or tuna jacket	Cheese or tuna baguette	Cheese or tuna jacket	Cheese or tuna baguette
Fruit crumble & custard	Banana custard	Fruity Paris sandwich & custard	Chocolate muesli krispie	Cheese & crackers with apple wedge
Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or fruit yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	fruit yoghurt

### Week commencing 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Beef burger in a homemade bun with chips, green beans and sweetcorn	Chicken fajitas & vegetable rice with broccoli and carrots	Savoury minced beef and dumplings with creamed mashed potato, carrots & peas  Sliced wholemeal bread	Roast pork loin with homemade apple sauce & gravy with ratatouille & sweetcorn  Home-made white bread	Salmon & sweet potato fishcake with potato wedges, baked beans & tomato salad  50/50 bread
Tuna or cheese baguette	Tuna or cheese jacket	Tuna or cheese baguette	Tuna or cheese jacket	Tuna or cheese baguette
Lemon & lime drizzle cake	Sweet pizza with ice cream	Chocolate crunch	Cheese & crackers	Fresh fruit salad with cream
Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt