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### School Dinners

As you are aware, children have pre-ordered school dinners in the morning and been given a coloured band which signifies which of our three options for dinner they have chosen.

However, as our numbers in school increase, we are finding that it is taking a long time to get all the children through for dinner and they are having less time to play outside.

We have therefore decided to trial the system used by most schools in the area and offer children their meals on a first come, first served basis. Foundation and Key Stage One children will always be allowed through first, with years 3 – 6 taking it in turns on a rolling basis. There will always be a hot option available for your child but those going into dinner last may not get their first choice. However, they may get the option of seconds!

We have been trialing this idea for a couple of weeks and it seems to be working well. Our school chef has a very good idea of numbers and what the children like and don't like so the children shouldn't really notice a difference apart from the fact they are getting their dinner quicker.

Please feel free to discuss this with your children. School menus are available from the school office if you require one.



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Happening this week

#### **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March**

Phonics Club 3-4pm  
Football Club 3-4.15pm  
Sport 4 Kidz lunch time activities  
KS1 After School Club

#### **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March**

Phonics Club 3-4pm  
Choir Club 3-4pm  
Y6 English Booster 3-4pm

#### **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March**

PTFA AGM 9.00-10.30am  
Lego Club – lunch time

#### **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March**

Year 3/4 Trip to Southwell  
Minster  
PTFA Meeting 9.00-10.30am  
Newspaper Club 3-4pm  
Year 6 Maths Club 3-4pm

#### **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March**

Reception Class visit to Warsop  
Library  
Corporal Butcher after school club 3-4pm

#### **PE Days**

Reception – Monday  
Year 1 - Weds & Thurs  
Year 2 – Mon & Weds  
Year 3 – Thurs & Fri  
Year 4 – Mon & Fri  
Year 5 – Thurs (swim) & Fri  
Year 6 – Weds & Fri

## Year 3/4 Trip

On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March our Year 3 & 4 children will be visiting Southwell Minster as part of the 'Time Travelling' event being held there. Children will leave school at 9am and will be back in time for normal pick up at 3pm. Children will need to wear school uniform and bring a packed lunch with them. Those who qualify for Free School Meals will have a lunch provided for them by the school.

## Parents in School

As you are aware, parents are not allowed in school unless they are dropping children off at the reception area or have a pre-arranged appointment and sign in via the Visitors' Book.

If you wish to see a teacher who is not in the playground, please come to the school office and we will do our best to accommodate your request.

## PE Kits in School

Children should have PE kits with them every day but especially on days which are timetabled for PE lessons. As we also have after school clubs which require a PE Kit it is a good idea to bring your child's PE kit on Monday, then take it home on Friday to wash it. Please ensure that your child's PE kit includes appropriate footwear as well as dark coloured shorts/tracksuit bottoms and a plain t-shirt.

## Mother's Day Gifts

Don't forget that this Mother's Day the PTFA are organising some amazing handmade gifts for all the well deserving Ladies out there.

These will be personalised by your children/grandchildren in their own unique style. These will cost £1.50 each but represents great value for money!

If you wish to purchase one of these gifts, all money must be brought into school by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March. If money is brought in after this date you will receive a gift but it won't be personalised.



## Ofsted

We were very proud of the behaviour of our children during our recent Ofsted inspection. The Inspectors commented on how well behaved and well mannered they were and what positive attitudes they had to their learning. We will of course let you know the outcome of this inspection as soon as we are aware.

## Easter Fair

This will be taking place on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March. The PTFA are organizing all sorts of exciting treats and stalls for the children so please come along and support us.

We are rather short of tombola prizes so if you have anything that you can donate to the stall please bring to the school office at any time.

We will also be holding an Easter Bonnet/Basket competition with entries to be in school by 30<sup>th</sup> March. There will be a prize for the best one in each class.

## Meal Rise

Please be advised that with effect from Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April, the cost of a school meal will rise to £2.30

## PTFA AGM

This is being held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 9 – 10.30am in the lower hall. Please come along if you would like to find out more about what they do and how you can get involved.

## Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers



Sainsbury's are again giving vouchers out for any shopping purchased until 2<sup>nd</sup> May. We will be collecting vouchers to hopefully get some more sports equipment for the school. If you have any vouchers please bring them in to the school office.

## More Important News



Stars of the week ending 3<sup>rd</sup> March were:

Reception – Aaron-James Hargreaves & Connor Bicknell

Year 1 – Mason Pearce & Joseph Taylor

Year 2 – Harry Cudwoth & Isabelle Bingley

Year 3 – Jenson Foster & Tamira-Leigh Morley

Year 4 – Lexi Stocking & Callum Wardle

Year 5 – Curtis Hartley & Rhianna Neill

Year 6 – Leo Kantowski & Curtis Preston

The best behaved classes last week were the Nightingales in Year 5 and the Goldcrests in Year 6 – well done!

### Attendance

The class with the best attendance last week were again the Jays in Year 1 with 99% - well done to them. 😊 Attendance throughout the rest of the school was better than last week at 95.97% but we are still not hitting our target. The class with the worst attendance were the Robins in Reception with only 92.86% 😞

Please remember that children can come to school with minor illnesses such as headaches and coughs/colds – we will look after them! If your child is going to be absent from school, please let the school office know as soon as possible and before 9am. A lot of children are coming into school late. Please remember that school starts at 8.45am.

We are currently working with Meden's Attendance Officer who will be making home visits if we do not have a valid reason for your child's absence.

### We would love you to...

Join us for Maths games on a Tuesday morning from 8.30am.

Reading every Thursday morning from 8.30am.

**CHILDREN WILL RECEIVE A TEAM POINT EVERY TIME THEY ATTEND!!**

Breakfast Club is held on a daily basis from 8.00am to 8.30am at a cost of £1.20



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