



School Newsletter Friday 6th November 2024



Another busy week in school has come to an end! This week has been assessment week so the children from Year 1 to Year 5 have been sitting assessments (Year 6 have already completed theirs in line with SATS preparation and EYFS don't sit assessments). The children have persevered incredibly well through all of these, which have included maths (arithmetic and reasoning), reading and SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar). You will receive the children's Autumn Reports next Friday (13th) which will give you an insight into how they are doing academically.

On Tuesday, Year 4 had their Ancient Egyptian Day in school which was led by an expert in this historical time period and who also works as an experimental archaeologist! The children took part in a range of activities such as archery, hieroglyphic writing and mummification. They also had the opportunity to study different artefacts, find out about the inside of the pyramids and consider the position of settlements along the River Nile. It was wonderful to see them all showing such an interest in the Ancient Egyptians and gaining so much extra knowledge which built on what they had learned in class.

On Wednesday, our wonderful School Association hosted Movie Night in school which was very successful! I hope the children who attended all enjoyed snuggling up and watching a film together in school.

On Thursday, we were treated to a class assembly from year 5 all about the Solar System! The children presented lots of different facts about the various planets in our solar system, including coming up with their own moves to represent their planet. They also shared a song which gave us more information about each planet. I was amazed by how clearly they spoke, how much they had to say about each planet and their confidence in conveying this information to both the school and their families.

We also had the pleasure, after school on Thursday, of hosting a trial tag-rugby session run by Harbury Rugby Club which was open to children from reception to year 6. 16 of our children took part and showed so many of our values while doing so. I was very pleased to hear of their perseverance through the rain that started shortly after they went out and that Melissa (Y6) and Albie (Y1) were chosen especially for showing the values of the rugby club as well as our own values.

Today, it was the annual Santa Dash around the field. Mrs Hill ably organised the children to enable them to take part and have a great time whilst doing so! Thanks to all the children who took part and to everyone for bringing a change of shoes so that our lovely new carpets didn't get muddy!

Throughout the week, both KS1 and KS2 have been hard at work practising for the Christmas performances that are taking place next week. They are amazing and we are so excited to show you the results of all their hard work. We are looking forward to seeing you at our performances on Tuesday and Thursday next week!

Finally, School Association are busy setting up the Santa's Grotto event for this afternoon which I know many of you have tickets for and which we are looking forward to! As this is the first time they have run an event like this, they would welcome any constructive feedback you have so please pass on any thoughts to them to support them further.

Please note that due to the ongoing situation with our electricity, the lunch choices for Monday have changed. They will therefore be tomato and vegetable pasta, fajitas with rice or jacket potato.

Christmas Jumper Day has been confirmed by our School Association as Wednesday 18th December which is the same day as our Christmas lunch. Can children please bring a donation for our School Association on that day if they choose to wear a Christmas jumper.





Stars of the Week



Diary dates for this half-term

Monday 4 th November	Return to school
Wednesday 6 th November	SEND clinic -for families with pupils on SEND register to drop in between 9am and 10am
Thursday 7 th November	Curriculum afternoon for parents/grandparents 2-3.15pm
Tuesday 12 th November	Odd socks day (antibullying week)
Wednesday 13 th November	Reception Admissions 2025 (Tours by appointment)
Friday 15 th November	Children in Need (activity tbc)
Wednesday 20 th November	SEND clinic -for families with pupils on SEND register to drop in between 9am and 10am
Wednesday 20 th November	Reception Admissions 2025 (Tours by appointment)
30 th November and 1 st December	Christmas trail weekend (tbc by School Association)
Wb. Monday 2 nd December	Assessment Week
Wednesday 4 th December	SEND clinic -for families with pupils on SEND register to drop in between 9am and 10am
Wednesday 4 th December	Movie Night – tbc by school association
Thursday 5 th December	Y5 Class assembly (9-9.30am)
Wb 9 th December	Christmas Wrap Room – details tbc by School Association
Tuesday 10 th December	Christmas Performance (tbc - am)
Thursday 12 th December	Christmas Performance (tbc - pm)
Friday 13 th December	End of Autumn report out to parents
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas Lunch (tbc)
Friday 20 th December	End of Term

Monday 23rd December – Friday 3rd January 2025 Christmas Holiday



Menu from Monday 4th November – beginning with week 1.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Central Autumn Winter Menu 2024 2025					
WEEK ONE					
04/11/24	NEW Tomato & Vegetable Pasta	Cottage Pie with Gravy	CHICKEN SHACK Peri Peri or BBQ Chicken or Quorn with Diced Seasoned Potatoes & Sweetcorn Salsa	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Rice	Salmon Fishingers/ Fishingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
25/11/24	Fajitas with Rice	NEW Creamy Chickpea and Coconut Curry with Rice	Vegetables of the Day	NEW Cheese and Broccoli Pasta with Garlic Bread	Cheese & Beans Puff Pastry with Chips & Tomato Sauce
16/11/24	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
20/01/25	Blackberry and Apple Crumble with Custard	Melting Moment Biscuit	Fruit Platter	Carrot and Courgette Cake	Chocolate Orange Cookie
10/02/25					
10/03/25					
31/03/25					
WEEK TWO					
11/11/24	Classic Cheese and Tomato Pizza	NEW Chicken Pasta Bake with Garlic Bread	Sausage and Mash with Gravy	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	NEW Tuna Pasta Bake or Fishingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
02/12/24	Or Rainbow Pizza	Vegetable Curry with Rice	Vegan Sausage and Mash with Gravy	NEW Mtd Chili with Rice	Cheese and Tomato Quiche with Chips & Tomato Sauce
06/01/25	With Potato Wedges	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
27/01/25	Vegetables of the Day	Jelly with Mandarins	Fruit Medley	Peach Cake	Oaty Cookie
24/02/25	Marble Sponge Cake with Custard				
17/03/25					
07/04/25					
WEEK THREE					
18/11/24	Macaroni Cheese	NEW Mtd Caribbean Chicken with Rice and Peas	Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese	Breaded Fish with Chips & Tomato Sauce
09/12/24	Plant Balls in Tomato Sauce with Rice	NEW Caribbean Butterbean Stew with Rice and Peas	Vegan Cottage Pie with Gravy	NEW Hot Pot Baked Bean Casserole with Rice	Cheese and Pepper Omelette with Chips & Tomato Sauce
13/01/25	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
03/02/25	Chocolate and Beetroot Brownie	Sticky Toffee Apple Crumble with Custard	Fruit Salad	NEW Savoury Cheese Scone	Vanilla Shortbread
03/03/25					
24/03/25					
MENU KEY	Added Plant Power	Wholemeal	Vegan		
	Available Daily: Fresh Bread – Salad Selection – Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt				
	<p>ALLERGY INFORMATION: If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for our child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of cross contamination.</p>				