

On behalf of the staff and governors I should like to wish you all a happy, healthy and peaceful new year! We hope that this term will be both exciting and enjoyable for the children. We have planned to ensure that it will offer them the usual wide variety of opportunities to learn both new skills and develop those they already have.

If you have not already made a New Year's resolution, then perhaps it could be **to read the Friday Flier every week!** The purpose of the flier is to keep you informed of what is happening at school. If you read it every week then it will ensure that you and the children are able to participate fully in all the events on offer.

# Takeaway "Sausage Sizzle" Novelty Lunch – Thursday 17 January

The school kitchen is offering our children a special "Novelty Lunch" on Thursday 17 January and all the children will receive a small gift. Children in Year R will receive gliders. Children in Year 1 will receive a mini slinky and children in Year 2 will receive a mini eraser (please see pictures below).

The lunch menu will be:

Main Course: Baked Sausage (pork or vegetarian), served with chips and vegetable sticks.

**Dessert:** The children can choose from an iced sponge, ice cream or fresh fruit.





Year 1



All children will automatically be signed up for this lunch. However, they may also bring in their own packed lunch but still sample items on offer. There will be no pressure to taste the food, it will be on the table and they can try any of the food items they wish.

## **Building Works**

I would like to say a big thank you for your patience during our recent and current building/window works. We are having some of the very old windows in the school replaced and this is taking place on a rolling programme and unfortunately could not be completed during the school break. The children in Owls' Class have really enjoyed working in the library this week and the other children have enjoyed observing the work taking place (from a safe distance).

The windows at the end corridor (by the South Door) are being replaced next Tuesday. This will necessitate the area being cordoned off. Please can children who hang their coats here take them to their class on this day. It is especially important that all coats, scarves etc are named. If your child is in Kestrels' Class and you use the South Door (closest to the main gate) your child will need to take the long way around to get to their class in the morning.

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## Year 2: Sampling Indian Food

Next Monday, as part of their literacy topic, all the children will be sampling a small section of Indian Food.

#### **Contact numbers**

If you or any of your named contacts have changed their telephone numbers over the Christmas holiday, **please can you ensure that the office receives their new numbers**. This is very important in the event that your child is unwell and we need to contact you.

## **PE Kits**

All children **must** have their PE kits in school from Monday 14 January. Please ensure that all items are named and that plimsolls still fit

#### **Clubs – resuming next week**

The following clubs will resume again next week: Choir, football and all music clubs along with a new violin club which will take place before school on a Thursday.

## Choir: Please note change of day – From Monday to Friday

The first day of this club will be 18 January. New members from Year 1 and Year 2 are welcome to join the choir which will now be on a Friday.

## **Reporting Absence**

A reminder that as well as telephoning the school, you can also report your child's absence via a company called **Studybugs** which enables you to go online via a phone or computer to report your child's absence securely. To get the free Studybugs app, or register on their website go to (<u>https://studybugs.com/about/parents</u>). If your child is unwell it is your responsibility to inform the school of this.

## Forest School Sessions: Week 1

Next week Blackbirds' Class will have forest school on Wednesday afternoon and Kingfishers' Class on Thursday Morning and Eagles' class on Thursday afternoon. Please can you ensure that you send in their forest school clothing. A reminder that we have aligned your child's class with the lunch week menu.

#### Lunch Menu

Next Week's Menu will be: Week 1. Please click on the following link to access the menu online: <u>menu</u>. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door and in Wagtails' Class window.

Yours sincerely

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