



Newsletter

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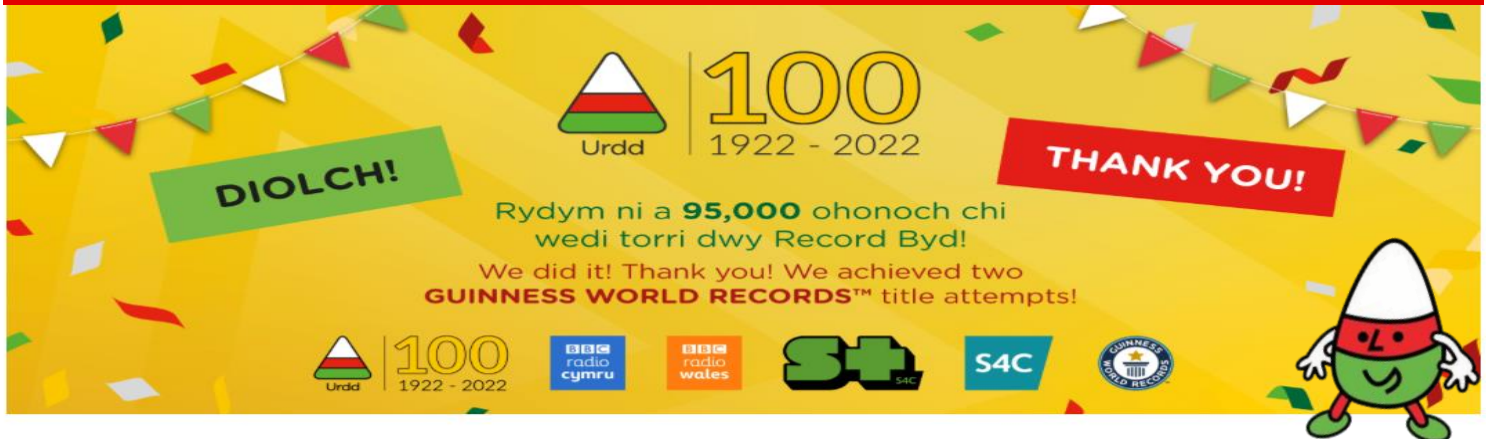
February 2022

Bodnant Gardening Success



Keep Wales Tidy have recently been working with our school to plant hedgerows, around the perimeter of the school site. Once established they will provide essential habitats for wildlife, as well as creating natural screening. We have also received five fruit trees from the Tree Council, and these have been planted on the slope in the garden area. Our compost bin has been in use since October, to create compost from our garden waste. The work, so far, has gained our school Level 1 and Level 2 Gardening Awards from the Royal Horticultural Society Campaign for School Gardening. Well done to the children and staff involved, for all their hard work.

URDD 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY 1922 - 2022



Since 1922, the Urdd has provided opportunities for more than 4 million children and young people in Wales to enjoy sporting, cultural, residential, humanitarian and volunteering experiences through the medium of Welsh.

Last month, the whole school celebrated the Urdd's one-hundred-year anniversary by dressing in red, white and green and having cakes in class. The school raised a total of **£197** to support the Urdd in Denbighshire. Thank you so much for your donations.

The children were also asked to design a T-shirt to celebrated 100 years of the Urdd. There were lots of fantastic designs. Da iawn to all the children! The winners are pictured below:- **1st prize went to Ruby in Year 1, 2nd prize to Ava in Year 4, and 3rd prize was won by Isla in Year 2**



The famous Welsh rapper, Mr Phormula has been working with Year 4 pupils this term, to show children how they can create their own rap. He will be returning for a second visit soon, to see what the children have produced.

**Non-uniform Day
Tuesday 1st March
Pupils can wear
red, white and green
to celebrate
St David's Day**





A Right Royal Party!

Year 2 have been exploring their new topic '**Bright Lights and Big City**'. The children have been learning about London and the Queen, who lives in Buckingham Palace. They have been learning lots of interesting facts! Year 2 pupil, Ava says, *"We have learnt that the Queen has a special crown called the crown jewels, that she wears on special occasions"*. The children celebrated with a Royal Garden Party, by dressing up, learning how to greet the Queen, dancing and eating cake.



Chinese New Year 2022

Year 4 pupils have been learning all about the Chinese New Year and how it is an important festival in the Chinese calendar. This year it falls on Tuesday 1st February and the Fei Von Restaurant in Rhuddlan, very kindly made the children traditional Chinese food and donated chopsticks and fortune cookies. It is very important for the children to learn and understand about the different ways in which other people and cultures celebrate. This year is the 'Year of the Tiger'. The tiger is known as the king of all beasts in China and is associated with bravery, confidence and strength.



We are taking part in the **Big Schools' Birdwatch** here in Bodnant between the 7th – 11th February. The children will be observing the different types of birds they see at school, and we will be recording the results to send to the RSPB. Birdwatch is really important, as it helps to see how birds are faring in school grounds all around the UK. For further information follow the link below.
<https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/>



We're joining in with Big Schools' Birdwatch here...

...why not take part in Big Garden Birdwatch at home?

28-30 January 2022

rspb.org.uk/birdwatch

Big Schools' Birdwatch 2022
What will they see?
5 January – 21 February

The RSPB is a registered charity in England and Wales 207676, in Scotland SC037664. 027 0513 2021
Illustrations by David Mather (male images) and David Mather (female images)



Bodnant Betty's Diary

Betty has been spending time with the children on the Library Bus. She is feeling very relaxed and at home at Bodnant School.



Year 4 SWIMMING LESSONS

4AS (Miss Smith) and 4AL (Mrs Longley) will have swimming lessons from **Friday 21st January to Friday 4th March**. Please remember to send your child to school every Friday morning with a swimming costume and a towel. Pupils can come to school wearing their PE kits on the day that they are swimming. Thank you for your co-operation.

schoolcloud Parents Evening

Online Virtual Parents' Evening takes place for Nursery to Year 6 pupils on the dates below:-

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

Monday 7th February

Wednesday 9th February

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Tuesday 8th February

Thursday 10th February

Nursery

Tuesday 8th February

Thursday 10th February

Tuesday 15th February

We will be holding virtual meetings. You will have received an email inviting you to book an appointment online for your session, including instructions on how to do so.

Please book your appointment **before 6th February**.

<https://bodnant.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

NURSERY 2022 APPLICATIONS

The closing date for Nursery applications for September 2022 is **Friday 18th February**. If you have a child who is, or will be, 3 before September 2022 and would like to apply for a place, please click on the link below.

<https://www.denbighshire.gov.uk/en/education-and-schools/school-admissions/school-admissions.aspx>



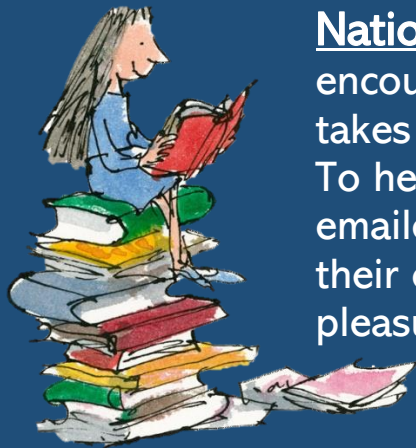
SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR THE HALF TERM BREAK ON
FRIDAY 18TH FEBRUARY
AT 3.20PM AND WE RETURN AT 8.50AM ON
TUESDAY 1ST MARCH

PLEASE NOTE:
MONDAY 28TH FEBRUARY
IS A TEACHER TRAINING DAY

PLEASE SEE THE CALENDAR AT THE BACK OF THIS NEWSLETTER FOR **TWO RESCHEDULED TEACHER TRAINING DAYS IN JULY 2022**.



A 5-day residential trip to **Glan Llyn Education Centre (Bala)** is planned for Year 6 pupils on **Monday 27th June 2022 to Friday 1st July**. Activities include sailing, canoeing, rock climbing, paddle-boarding, high rope courses and swimming. The full cost of the trip is **£270**. If your child would be interested in going on the trip, we are asking for an initial £50 non-refundable deposit, to be paid via ParentPay by Friday 4th February.



National Storytelling Week is a chance to promote and encourage storytelling in the classroom and at home and takes place from **30th January – 6th February**.

To help us celebrate National Storytelling Week, we have emailed all parents a suggested list of books suitable for their child's age range, for you to read with them for pleasure over their academic year. You can also pick up a paper copy from Main Reception.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 3rd March

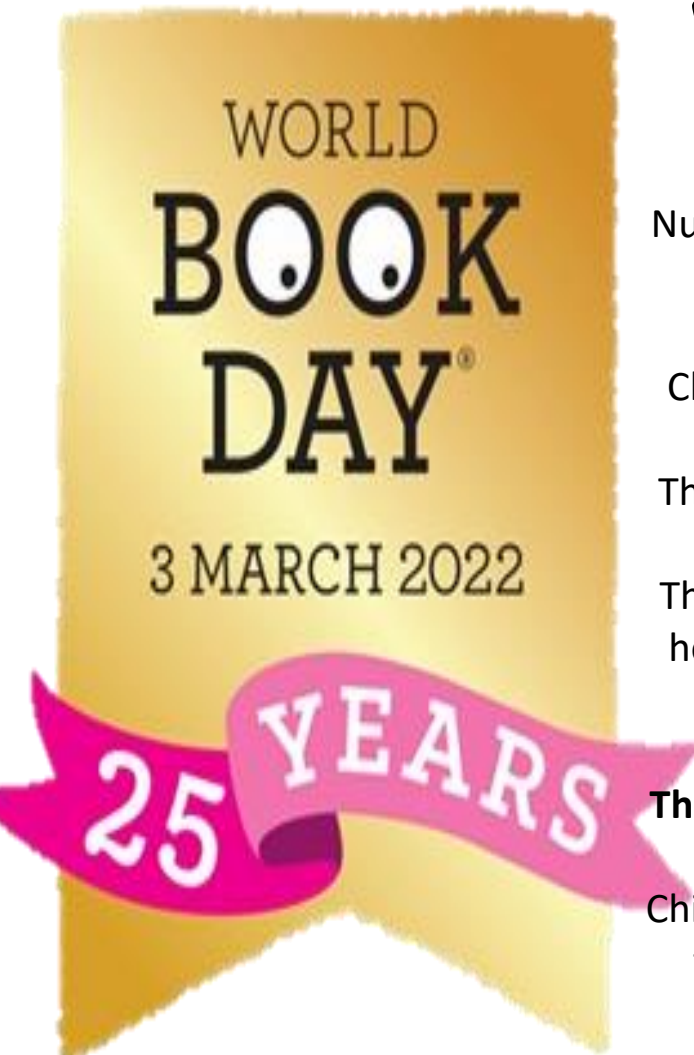
We are inviting all pupils from Nursery to Year 6 to come to school dressed as a **character from a story book** **or in their pyjamas**.

Children can bring in their favourite story book to talk about or share with the class.

The competition this year is to send a picture or photograph of your child 'Wild Reading' This could be a picture taken over the half-term holiday of your child reading in a wild location, such as a mountain, forest or beach.

Please send entries to pw@bodnant.org by **Thursday 3rd March**. Winners will be announced the following week.

Children will bring home a voucher for one of the free World Book Day titles, which should be available in Tesco.



SPORTS NEWS



Year 6 Bodnant Champion League has kicked off. Weekly competitions are held at lunchtime, and it is proving very popular, as forty-nine pupils have taken part, so far. Jack scored the opening goal of the tournament, quickly followed

by a hat-trick from Max for his team. We have the use of a VAR on the iPad for pupils who are not playing. It has generated a huge interest and the children are looking forward to the forthcoming games.



ACTIVITY	DAY	TIME	PICK UP POINT
Urdd	Wednesday	3.20-4.15	Windy Tunnel
Reporters Club (Year 5)	Wednesday	3.20-4.30	Main Reception
Slippers and Socks	Thursday	3.20-4.20	Main Reception
Kick It (Reception – Year 2)	Thursday	3.20-4.35	Main Reception

We would like to remind parents that our PE kit consists of a navy-blue T-shirt (with or without school logo) and navy-blue joggers, to be worn with the Bodnant school jumper. Please can we ask that pupils do not come to school on their PE day wearing branded clothing.





Useful Phone Numbers

School Nurse: 03000856971
Health Visitors: 03000850001
Speech and Language: 03000855974

Citizen Advice Bureau: 01745 334568
www.citizensadvice.org.uk

Denbighshire Housing: 01824 706000
Universal Credit: 0800 328 5644
NSPCC: 0808 800 5000

Help for adults concerned about a child

Victim Support: 0808 168 9111

Is a national charity giving free and confidential help to anyone affected by crime.

Samaritans: 116 123

If you are in crisis, or something is getting you down, this helpline is open 24 hours a day

Relate: 0300 100 1234

Is a counselling service workshop to promote health, respect and justice in couple and family relationships.

Welsh Women's Aid: 0808 801 0800

Is a national charity working to end domestic violence against women and children.

MIND Cymru : 0300 123 3393

Provides advice and support to empower anyone experiencing mental health problems.



Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day takes place next **Tuesday, 8th February** and promotes the safe and positive use of digital technology at school and at home. Safer Internet Day is celebrated in over a hundred countries and the aim is to spread the message of staying safe online and being responsible users of technology. Please visit [Safer Internet Day 2022 - UK Safer Internet Centre](https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/)

Download the APP

Download on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play

Have you downloaded the Apps yet?

- ✓ Receive text messages, emails and our monthly newsletter via the **School Gateway app!**
- ✓ Pay for school meals, trips and more, via your child's secure online **ParentPay account!**
- ✓ Share classwork and contact your child's teacher via the **Seesaw app!**

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School Jotter
View the calendar on the School Jotter for upcoming news and events

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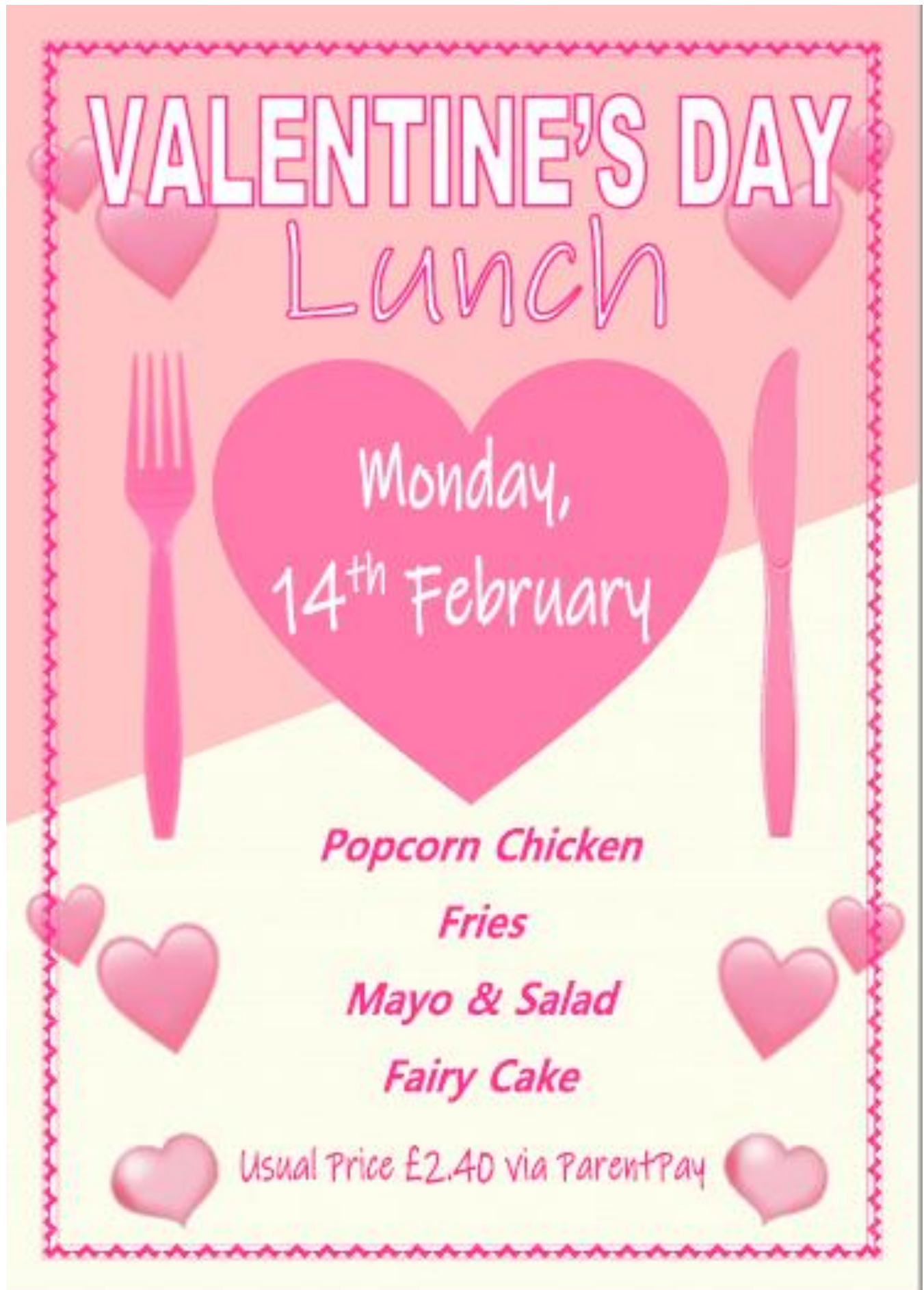
visit our school website at www.ysgolbodnant.co.uk

If you are in receipt of certain benefits and you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals, you can apply online via the Denbighshire County Council, Free School Meals website or by clicking on the link below.

<https://www.denbighshire.gov.uk/en/resident/education/grants-and-funding/free-school-meals.aspx>

You could save over £400 a year!





Week Beginning Monday 7th February is Week 1

NEW IMPROVED MENUS

WEEK ONE	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MAIN MEAL	Fillet of Fish Burger In a Bun Lemon Mayo	Bolognese	Curry of the Day	Roast Turkey Stuffing Gravy	Pizza
CHOICE	Veggie Nuggets	Vegetable Lasagne	Tomato & Vegetable Pasta Bake	Jacket Potato with Filling	Vegetable Quiche
CARBOHYDRATE	Paprika Potato Wedges	Spaghetti Garlic Bread	Boiled Rice Naan Bread	Roast Potatoes	Chips
VEGETABLES	Mixed Salad			Fresh Carrots Broccoli	Salad Sticks Mayonnaise
SALAD TROLLEY	Salad Trolley	Salad Trolley	Salad Trolley	Salad Trolley	Salad Trolley
SWEET	Frozen Yoghurt Fruit Compote	Australian Crunch	Eves Pudding Custard	Pear Helene	Carrot Cake

School meals could be free if you are in receipt of certain benefits or have a limited income, visit www.denbighshire.gov.uk

We cater for most special diets - please contact your child's school to discuss further.



NEW IMPROVED MENUS

WEEK TWO	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MAIN MEAL	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce	Toad in the Hole Gravy	Tacos Or Enchiladas	Roast Pork Apple Sauce Gravy	Chicken Goujons in a bun BBQ Sauce
CHOICE	Macaroni Cheese	Jacket Potato With filling	Vegi Taco/Enchilada	Assorted Tortilla Wraps	Veggie Burger
CARBOHYDRATE	Pasta Crusty Bread	Creamed Potatoes	Loaded Potato Skins	Roast Potatoes	Chips
VEGETABLES		Mixed Veg	Corn on the Cob Salsa	Fresh Carrots Broccoli	Mixed Salad
SALAD TROLLEY	Salad Trolley	Salad Trolley	Salad Trolley	Salad Trolley	Salad Trolley
SWEET	Milkshake & Shortbread	Saucy Chocolate Pudding	Apple Crumble Custard	Mandarin Mousse	Toffee Cupcake

Enjoy our seasonal menus, warming for winter, lighter for the summer

We buy local produce wherever possible, supporting local farmers and reducing our impact on the environment



NEW IMPROVED MENUS

WEEK THREE	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MAIN MEAL	Fishcake	Burritos Sour Cream	Chicken Crumble Pie Gravy	Gammon Pineapple	Fishfinger Hotdog Tomato Sauce
CHOICE	Vegetable Fritata	Vegetable Chilli	Quorn Sausage	Assorted Baps	Veggie Hotdog
CARBOHYDRATE	Waffles	Rainbow Rice	Creamed Potatoes	Roast Potatoes	Chips
VEGETABLES	Baked Beans	Salsa	Peas Sweetcorn	Fresh Carrots Cauliflower Cheese	Salad Sticks
SALAD TROLLEY	Salad Trolley	Salad Trolley	Salad Trolley	Salad Trolley	Salad Trolley
SWEET	Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Wedges	Steamed Syrup Sponge Custard	Fruit Flapjack	Fruit Jelly Ice Cream	Chocolate Brownie

School meals introduce your child to a world of new tastes and flavours

The importance of a nutritious meal at lunchtime shouldn't be underestimated as it helps with concentration and learning



Term Dates for this academic school year

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Updated - School Term Dates – Prestatyn Cluster of schools – 2021 – 2022

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Dates in **red** are weekends or bank holidays. School holidays are highlighted in **grey**.
 Teacher training days in **yellow**, Covid planning days **Green**.