

5.7.2019

Dear Parents/carers,

Reports

Please find enclosed a copy of your child's annual report. I would like to take this opportunity to say how proud I am of all the New Park children. They are developing a true love of learning and it is a pleasure to be in and out of classrooms. The children are always keen to talk about the latest dramatic development in their class novel or share the new skill they have recently mastered. They are a credit to the school and to you. Should you have any questions regarding the content of the report, please contact the school office to make an appointment to see your child's teacher.

Transition

Also attached with this letter is a slip explaining which class your child is in next year. On Thursday 11th July we will be having our transition morning. All children will be meeting their new teacher and spending the morning getting to know their new class. Please bring your child in as normal at the start of the day – we will take the register and then move the children to their new classes. Miss Foster, our new Reception teacher, will be joining us for the morning so that our new starters will have another chance to meet her and familiarise themselves with the school.

Sports day

As you are aware, it is our Sports day next Tuesday (9th). We are hoping that many of you will be able to attend and cheer on your children as they take part in some fun activities in the morning before walking up to the field for some more traditional races. As last year, we will be having a whole school picnic on the playground at lunchtime – please bring the whole family and enjoy eating together.

School meals

For too long, cooked meals at New Park have not been up to the standard I expect for your children. I am delighted to tell you that after a year-long process, we have successfully appointed a new caterer who will be taking over from September.

Chartwells were chosen because of the quality of their menu, their commitment to providing freshly-cooked, tasty and nutritionally balanced school meals their willingness to be flexible to the children's tastes as well as agreeing to invest heavily in the kitchen and dining hall equipment. I have invited them to set up an information stand in the school hall on Thursday 11th July. If you would like to know more about the new menu options, meet some of the team and try some tasty samples, please come to the school office after dropping your child off in the morning.

I will be writing with further details regarding school meals at the end of term.

Primary Autumn Winter 2019 Menu Week 1					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Main Dish	Mac 'N' Cheese Pasta spirals in a tasty cheesy sauce	Chinese Chicken Noodles A classic Chinese chicken noodle dish packed with flavour	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Traditional Roast dinner with Roast Gammon	Beef Tortilla Pie with a Rice side ** Beef mince layered onto tortilla wraps, stacked, baked and topped with gooey cheese	Salmon Fish Fingers *** and Chips A classic fish finger lunch
Alternative Dish	Mexican Bean and Potato Wrap with a rice side** Tortilla wrap stuffed with fajita seasoned beans and cubed potato in a cheesy tomato sauce	Cheese and Tomato Pizza ** with Potato Wedges Simple but classic!	Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Traditional vegetarian roast with Quorn	Veggie Pizza Hot Dog with Potato Wedges Two of the favourites combined...a veggie hot dog covered in a Pizza sauce and melted cheese	Cheese and Sweetcorn Omelette with Chips A baked vegetarian omelette
Key Stage Two	Mac N Cheese Pot with BBQ Baked Beans Pasta spirals in a cheesy sauce topped with BBQ baked beans	Mild Beef Chili Wrap A mildly spiced beef chili tortilla wrap	Roast Gammon Bag Slices of delicious roast gammon in a soft bag	Chinese Chicken Noodle Pot Chicken noodles seasoned with Chinese five spice with red onion and peppers	
Vegetables	Broccoli and Cauliflower Medley Green Beans	Peas Carrots	Carrots Cabbage	Sweetcorn Mediterranean Vegetables	Baked Beans Peas
Desserts	Chocolate Slice *	Orange Drizzle Cake	Shortbread Biscuit	Banana and Berry Cobbler * with Custard	Peach and Chocolate Sponge
Cool Water, Fresh Fruit, Freshly Baked Bread and Yoghurt available daily *Fruit Based **Wholegrain ***Oily Fish					

Art exhibition

Many of you have seen photos of the children's artwork which we have been uploading onto Facebook and Twitter. The quality of the children's work is exceptional and they have worked extremely hard. Miss Cornelius has been instrumental in developing art across the school this year. We will be exhibiting the children's work after school on Thursday 18th July in the main school hall, please take ten minutes to share in the children's successes.

Year 6 leavers

Our final Friday assembly of the year (19th July) will also be our Y6 leavers' assembly. The children have prepared some memories of their time at New Park and we would like to invite any Y6 family members to attend at 9am.

Farm and grant

We are always on the lookout for more families who wish to volunteer on the farm at weekends. We will be running another training event after school on Tuesday 16th July for anyone who is interested.

Weekend/holiday jobs on the farm usually take 20-30 minutes and you are welcome to keep any eggs you find!

I am also very pleased to say that we have been awarded a £20,000 grant from the Army Covenant Fund to develop our community allotment area on the school field. I look forward to telling you more about our plans for this space in the Autumn.

Clubs

Next week is the final week of clubs. The dancers will be performing to parents on Monday and Wednesday and cycling club will be finishing at the later time of 5pm so that we have enough time to cycle to Ripley for a celebratory ice cream!

Building work

The building work on the roof and windows is almost complete and the last parts of scaffolding will be coming down this weekend. I am sure you will agree that the new roof and windows look fantastic. This has been an extremely challenging project to manage but we can all be very proud of the final outcome. Thank you for your patience and understanding during the disruption. We are now able to redecorate over the Summer holidays and I am very excited for the children to see their new classrooms.

It's going to be a busy and brilliant last two weeks of term,

Mr Mold