



Weekly Newsletter No. 19

1st February 2024



We are a nut free school, please do not send nuts for snacks or lunches.

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week, the **Family Cooking Workshop** made Super Salmon Dip and Bread Rolls! The recipes are attached for you all to try at home.

After a break due to the COVID restrictions, today we have resurrected the **buddy system**, where the year 6 children are paired up with a Reception child to help them with pre-lunch hand washing, their lunch trays and cutting up food if needed. This system of cross year friendships is great for increasing confidence in the younger children and responsibility and leadership for the older children.

To parents of children who bring **packed lunches**, we have noticed that an increasing number of children are throwing away some of the lunch items that you are packing for them. So you can see what they have or have not eaten, we will be telling the children not to throw any items of food away, but to take them back home.

I hope you have all had time to read the information that was sent home on Wednesday (paper copies and via email) about the **changes to school lunches** after February half term. Thankyou to those who have already completed and returned the School Lunch Order Form and the Allergen Form. A completed form is needed for every child by Monday 5th February. Thankyou. However, if your child always has a packed lunch then please email askwith@ycatschools.co.uk to inform us, no need to return the forms.

In preparation for this change, please ensure you pay for any remaining lunches for this half term on SchoolGrid (up to and including Friday 9th February) and make a payment onto ParentPay for lunches for after half term. If you have any questions about the changes, please email or phone the school office. Thankyou for your co-operation whilst we make this change.

Information about the online **Parents' Evenings**, taking place on Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th February for all children in years Nursery to Year 6, was emailed out earlier today and the booking system for the video appointments opened at 2pm today. A further copy of the information is attached. The link to access the booking page was also texted out at 2pm.

If you have any problems making a booking, please contact the school office.

This week, the children have had an assembly about '**Being Safe on the Internet.**' During the assembly, it was announced that there will be a poster competition! All children in years Reception to year 6 are invited to enter. The posters should be A4 size, and should inform other children on how to be safe on the internet. The closing date is Tuesday 6th February.

In our continuing series of flyers about **internet safety**, please see attached a flyer entitled 'Open Discussions about Digital Lives.'

Yours faithfully,

Mrs E Nayler, Headteacher

CROSS COUNTRY NEWS—Next race—**Saturday 3rd February at Ben Rhydding**—Good luck to all those children taking part!

TERM DATES—

School closes for half term—Friday 9th February

School re-opens—Monday 19th February

School closes for Easter—Friday 22nd March at 2pm

Staff training day—Monday 8th April

School re-opens—Tuesday 9th April

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