



Istead Rise Primary Celebration Newsletter

Friday 31st January 2025



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Monday 3rd February
Parent Drop-ins (Y1-6)

Friday 7th February
NSPCC Number Day &
Happy Puzzle Co.

Friday 14th February
Wear What You Love Day
End of Term 3

Monday 24th February
Term 4 Begins

Thursday 6th March World
Book Day

Friday 28th March
FIRPS Mothers Day Shop
Details to Follow

Thursday 27th March
Parent Drop-ins (Y1-6)

Friday 4th April 2025
End of Term 4

Tuesday 22nd April
Term 5 Begins

Monday 5th May
Bank Holiday
School Closed

Monday 12th May
Thursday 15th May
KS2 SATs (Y6)

Thank you for all of your wonderful ECO Day poster entries. The winning entries will be displayed around and outside of school in February.



We were delighted with the number and standard of entries for our Pupil Planner cover competition, which made choosing a winner very difficult. However, after much deliberation, our judges were able to choose a winner. We would like to congratulate Lyra in Year 6 for her colourful and detailed entry. Lyra's design will form the cover of our new planners which will be used by pupils from September 2025. Well done Lyra!



£1

Wear what you love

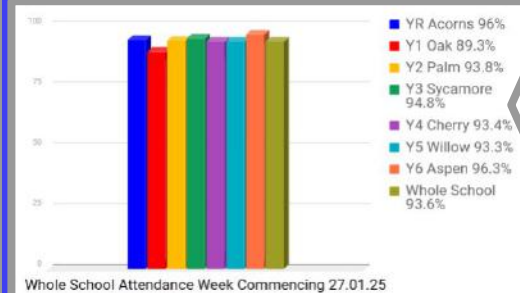
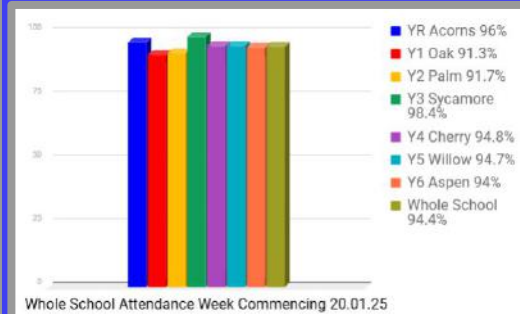
Wear your favourite outfit to school for the day

Friday 14th February

£1 in exchange to wear what you love.

Cash to teacher or bank transfer to FIRPS:
Friends of Istead Rise Primary School
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Attendance Class Awards



W/C 20.01.25
KS1 - Acorns
KS2 - Sycamore

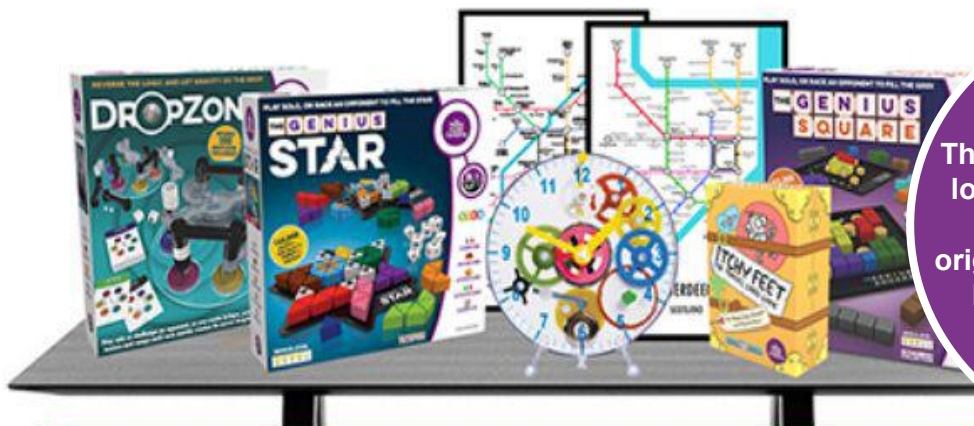


W/C 27.01.25
KS1 - Acorns
KS2 - Aspen

THE PUZZLE SHOP

300+ Fun & Educational Ideas For the Whole Family!

Friday 7th February KS2 Hall at 3.15pm



NSPCC
Number Day
7th February 2025.
The Puzzle Shop will now be located in the KS2 Hall and not the KS2 Library as originally advertised, see link below for further details

[NSPCC Number Day](#)

Bring this voucher to the puzzle shop and claim your free game with any purchase over £30.00!



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Puzzle
Company

Creating
happiness,
one puzzle
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Acorns



The children really enjoyed a special visit from the fire brigade last week. They listened carefully. Asking and answering lots of questions.

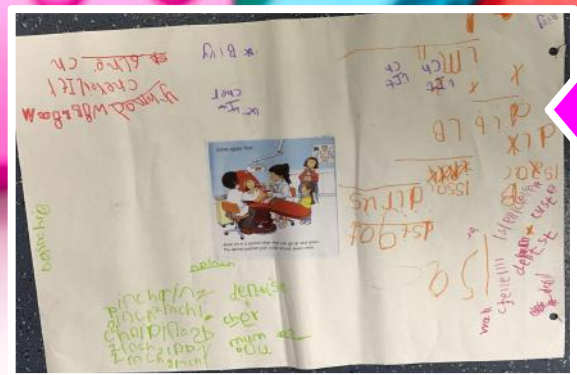
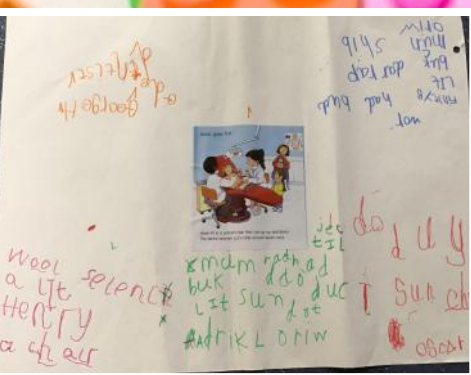
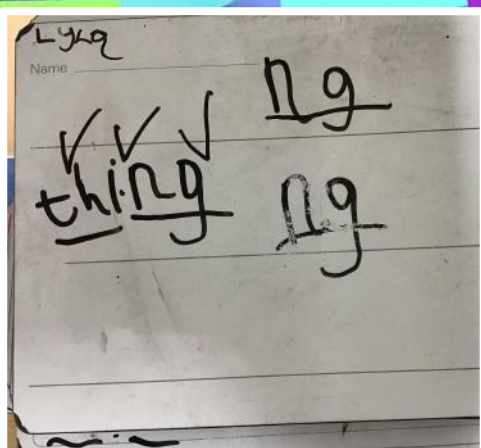
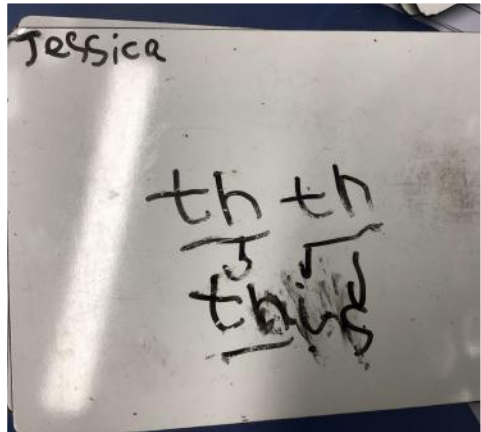


We have been learning about doctors during continuous provision which the children have really enjoyed!

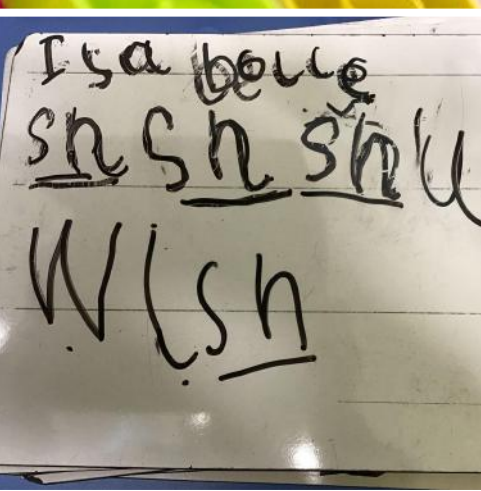
Acorns



In Maths, we have been learning about weighing and measuring. We used weighing scales and tried to balance an object against an amount of cubes.



The children have been learning lots in English this week. They have practised saying and writing digraphs and used this knowledge to write words and captions about a trip to the dentist.



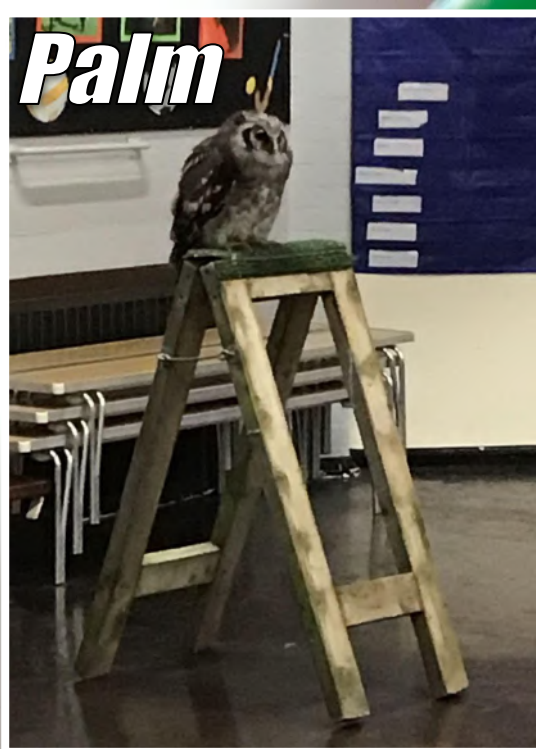
Oak



This week, Oak class have been exploring addition. Using manipulatives, they've been discovering which number bonds make up a given total. They're also becoming more confident in recognising tens within numbers, which is helping them add more quickly and I can see their confidence growing. It's great to see them work independently in their books!

Oak Class got their groove on in PE this week! They explored movement and dance, swaying fabric to the rhythm of the music. The class showed fantastic teamwork during a hopping, skipping and jumping activity, cheering each other on with great enthusiasm!

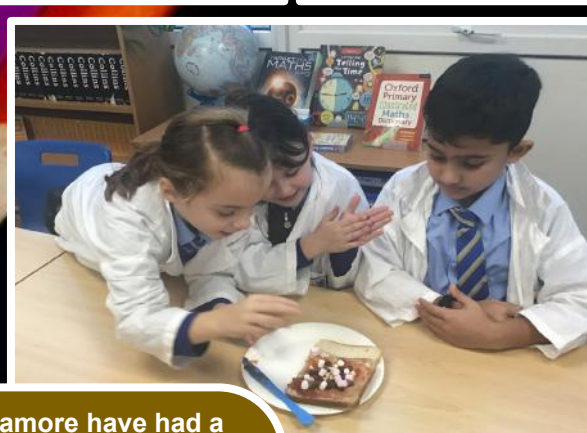
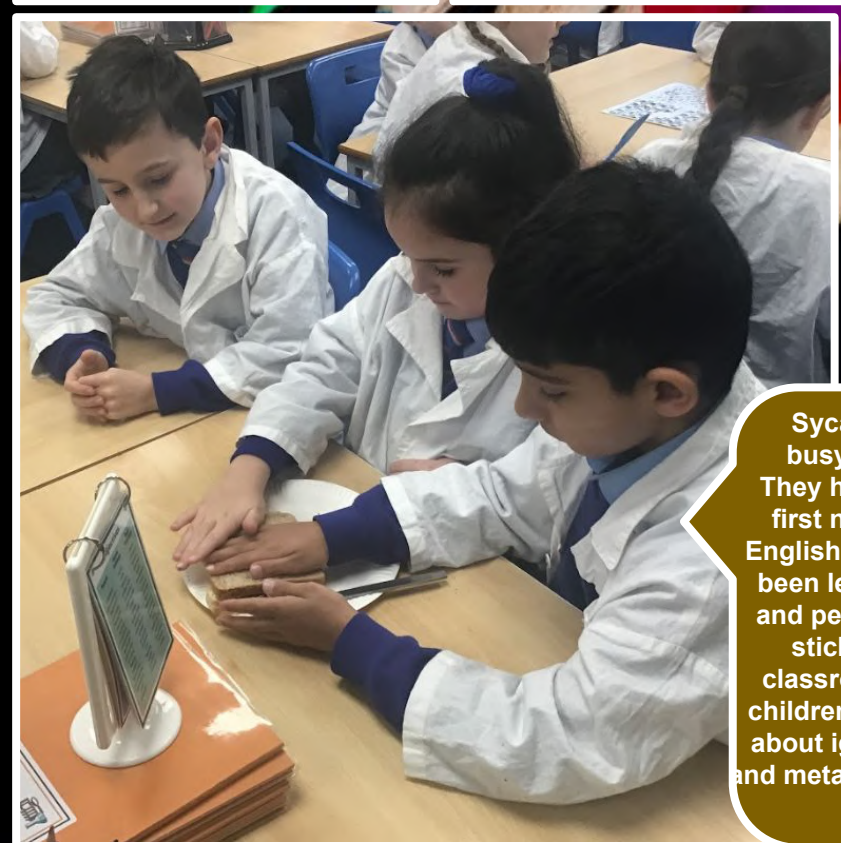




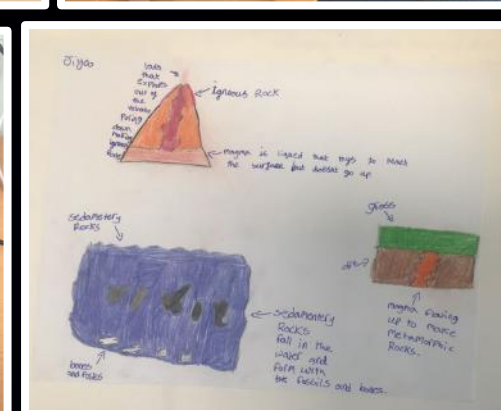
Last week Palm class were lucky enough to be visited by some owls. They had a lovely time and learnt lots about our feathered friends. The class read *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark* last term, so this was a fantastic opportunity to meet some real owls close up!

In English we are learning about Gertrude Ederle, the first woman to swim the English Channel, and we're going to write a biography about her life.

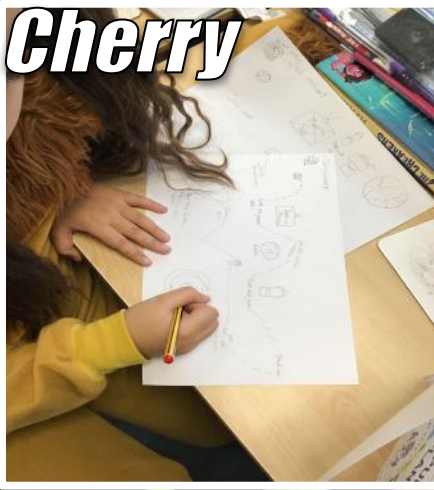
In maths, we have started to learn about multiplication and division and the children are doing really well so far.



Sycamore have had a busy couple of weeks. They have completed their first newspaper report in English. In maths, they have been learning about length and perimeter; using metre sticks to measure the classroom. In science the children have been learning about igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks formed using food.



Cherry



The children really enjoyed our recent ECO Day!



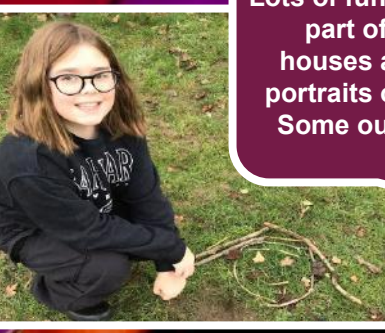
It's been another busy time in Cherry. As well as taking some online tests, we have been learning lots of new things! In English we have started our sequence on writing a series of diary entries based on what life is like now that the dragons have taken over the world. In maths we are coming to the end of our work on multiplication and division, having looked at using a formal method of both multiplication and division (bus stop) with great success. In Science we have continued to look at the different states of matter, most recently looking at gas and how it differs from solids and liquids, and also the change from solid to liquid to gas through evaporation. In RE we have looked at the Kumbh Mela festival for Hindus and the reasons for this pilgrimage. In Art we have been designing printing blocks and can't wait to use them for printing!



Willow



Lots of fun was had at Forest School last week. We spent the first part of our session gathering resources and creating bug houses and then in the final part of the session, we produced portraits of each other using just what we could find around us. Some outstanding masterpieces were made, the resemblance was uncanny.



In maths we are finally coming to the end of our work on fractions and will be tackling multiplication and division next. The children have all worked exceptionally well during our fractions focus, so should feel very proud of their hard work and effort. In English we are starting our next sequence where we will be writing a narrative about aliens coming to Istead Rise. During our geography lessons we have been exploring Eastern Europe, learning about the weather, as well as famous human and physical features.



We had a great day celebrating Eco Day. We looked at how Ebbfleet United contribute to Climate Change and came up with a variety of ways of how they could reduce their carbon footprint. We also spent some time designing our sensory gardens which we can't wait to share with Mrs T Clark. We spent the final part of the day creating animals out of resources we could find around the school. I think you'll agree there were some amazing animal creations.



Working hard converting measurements in Maths.



Year 6 had lots of fun creating art by using different natural materials during our recent 'Eco Day'.



Year 6 have been busy in English recently and have just finished their essays - answering the question - How does the life of a Victorian child compare to the life of a 21st century child? I was really impressed with the children's writing - they worked so hard.

We have now moved onto writing a description about a lovely picture of a made up scene in the African Savannah. So far, Year 6 have sourced and used sophisticated vocabulary, as well as creating different interesting sentence starters.

WELL
DONE



WELL
DONE

W/E 24.01

W/E 24.01

W/E 31.01

W/E 31.01

Most Valuable Player

Winning Class

Most Valuable Player

Winning Class

1st Matilda of Willow

1st Sycamore

1st Ronak of Aspen

1st Aspen

2nd Ronak of Aspen

2nd Willow

2nd Thomas of Aspen

2nd Willow

3rd Tyler G of Sycamore

3rd Aspen

3rd Samuel Yanis of Willow

3rd Sycamore

Mathletics

Gold Mathletics

Mathletics

W/E 24.01

Pixie Belle, Theo H, Raelie, Bobby, Felix, Theo B, Sophie, Devan, Annabelle & Ronnie of Sycamore, Matilda, Louie, Samuel L & Esme of Willow, Nevaeh, Jack L, Teddy, Darcey, Harry George, Amaia & Saskia of Cherry, Frank, Ellie, Olivia & Rei x 2 of Palm

W/E 31.01

Henry, Theo B, Annabelle, Theo H & Bobby of Sycamore, Louie, Samuel L & Arabella of Willow, Saskia & Darcey of Cherry, Ava, Frank, Ellie & Daisy x 2 of Palm

Platinum Mathletics

W/E 24.01

Leo H, Leo D, Tyler & Khenyang of Sycamore, Nihaal, Otis & Samuel Yanis of Willow, Henry of Cherry, Jaxon & Oscar of Palm

W/E 31.01

Sophie, Ronnie, Felix, Devan, Leo H, Tyler & Khenyang of Sycamore, Nihaal, Otis, Edward, Samuel Yanis & Matilda of Willow, Henry, Harry & Jack L of Cherry, Olivia, Jaxon, Seren & Oscar of Palm

WELL
DONE

Emerald Mathletics

W/E 31.01

Neda x 2 of Palm

Diamond Mathletics

W/E 31.01

Nathan x 2 of Palm

WELL
DONE

Gold Peg Up Points

W/E 24.01

Olivia & Frank of Palm

Core Values

Congratulations To
All Our Winners



Bronze Peg Up Points

W/E 31.01

Keira of Cherry

Silver Peg Up Points

W/E 24.01

Archie of Palm, Tyler, Leo D, Darcy, Raelie, Khenyang & Ashiya of Sycamore

W/E 31.01

Sophie, Darcy & Devan of Sycamore

Week Ending 24.01

Acorns Class

Frankie for Self Reflection, Oscar for Independence & Max for Perseverance

Oak Class

Aria & Willow H for Independence, James for Respect

Palm Class

Milan for Self Reflection, Benjamin for Independence & Oscar for Perseverance

Sycamore Class

Zachary for Respect, Bobby for Independence & Rose for Perseverance

Cherry Class

Dolly for Perseverance, Jack L Self Reflection & Ella for Perseverance

Willow Class

Martin & Lucas for Perseverance, Ruby WN for Perseverance

Aspen Class

Thomas, Poppy & Lyra for Respect

Week Ending 24.01

Acorns Class

Maximus for Independence, Frankie for Perseverance & Leyla for Respect

Oak Class

Jeremias & Piper for Respect, Evie for Perseverance

Palm Class

Jacob T for Independence, Valerie for Perseverance & Eliza for Self Reflection

Sycamore Class

Mary Kate & Theo B for Perseverance, Chase for Independence

Cherry Class

William, Margaret & Sujaan for Perseverance

Willow Class

Delphine for Respect, Esme for Perseverance & Edward for Independence

Aspen Class

Charlie & Finn for Self Reflection, Carter for Respect

FEBRUARY INTENSIVE SWIM COURSE



Hilltop Primary School - ME2 4QN

HALF TERM 4 DAY INTENSIVE COURSE

MONDAY 17TH FEBRUARY - THURSDAY 20TH FEBRUARY

BETWEEN 9.30AM – 11.30AM – 40 MINUTE LESSONS

£39.00 per child for the 4-day course

Swimming everyday you will see a massive difference, it is great for confidence building, improving technique and stamina, We also specialise in helping children with additional needs We only have a MAX of 4 children in a class WE TEACH FROM 2 YEARS 9 MONTHS UPWARDS

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FEBRUARY **14** 6.30PM TILL 9PM

ISTEAD RISE COMMUNITY CENTRE HALL
WORCESTER CLOSE
ISTEAD RISE
DA13 9LB

CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

£1 PER PERSON ENTRY + BOOKING FEE APPLIES
(UNDER 2'S GO FREE)

PURCHASE TICKETS VIA LINK/QR CODE BELOW



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www.ticketsource.co.uk/istead-rise-community-association

WEEKLY MENU

LOOK OUT FOR
OUR THEMED DAYS!

WEEK ONE

4TH NOVEMBER
2ND DECEMBER
6TH JANUARY
3RD FEBRUARY
10TH MARCH

WEEK TWO

11TH NOVEMBER
9TH DECEMBER
13TH JANUARY
10TH FEBRUARY
17TH MARCH

WEEK THREE

18TH NOVEMBER
16TH DECEMBER
20TH JANUARY
24TH FEBRUARY
24TH MARCH

WEEK FOUR

25TH NOVEMBER
6TH JANUARY
27TH JANUARY
3RD MARCH
31ST MARCH

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE	Cheese & Bean Lasagne 1,3,4,7,9 V Sweet Potato & Chick Pea Curry 6 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Beef Stew & Dumpling 1 Pesto Pasta Bake 1,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Roast Turkey & Gravy Falafel Burger 1,5 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Chicken Arrabiatta Pasta 1 Biryani Balls in a Curry Sauce 1 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Fish Fingers 1,8 Cheese & Tomato Puff 1,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
	Rice, Sweetcorn, Peppers Rice Pudding & Syrup 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Fruit Pots 6 V	Herby Bread 1,3,7,9, Green Beans, Carrots Apple Crumble 1 V & Custard 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Fruit Pots 6 V	Rustic Roast Potatoes or Jollof Rice Cauliflower, Broccoli Fruit Jelly 6 V Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots 6 V	Seasonal Vegetables Chocolate & Vanilla Cake 1,7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots 6 V	Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Coleslaw 9 Ginger Biscuit 1,15 V Yoghurt 3,7 Fruit Pots 6 V
WEEK TWO	Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie 1 Herby Tomato Pasta Twists 1 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Mild Chilli 4 Pesto & Pea Penne 1,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Roast Chicken & Gravy Vegan Sausage Roll 1 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Macaroni Cheese 1,7 V Rice & Bean Burrito 1 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Salmon Fish Cake 1,7,8 Margherita Pizza 1,3,7,9 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
	New Potatoes, Carrots, Peas Ice Cream 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Fruit Pots 6 V	Rice, Seasonal Vegetables Toffee Apple Pudding 1 V & Custard 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Fruit Pots 6 V	Rustic Roast Potatoes or Jollof Rice Cabbage, Sweetcorn Chocolate Crispy Cake 1,3,7,14 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots 6 V	Baked Wedges, Green Beans, Cauliflower Fruit Loaf 1,3,7,9 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots 6 V	Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Carrot Sticks Jaffa Biscuit 1 V Yoghurt 3,7 Fruit Pots 6 V
WEEK THREE	Katsu Chicken Nugget 1 Cheesy Pasta Bake 1,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Cheese & Onion Pinwheel 1,7 V Spaghetti Vegetable Bolognese 1 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Savoury Mince & Yorkshire Puddings 1,7,9 Samosa Puff 1 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Sweet Chilli Chicken Noodles 1,3,16 Potato & Vegetable Cake with Tomato Sauce 6 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Sausages 1,6 Quorn Sausage 1 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
	Rice, Sweetcorn, Peppers Chocolate Whip 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Fruit Pots 6 V	New Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots Syrup Sponge 1 V & Custard 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Fruit Pots 6 V	Rustic Roast Potatoes, Cabbage, Peas Fruit Jelly 6 V Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots 6 V	Garlic Bread 1,3,7,9, Seasonal Vegetables Cinnamon Roll 1,3,7,9 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots 6 V	Chips, Peas Baked Beans, Roasted Onions Apple Flapjack 1,15 V Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots 6 V
WEEK FOUR	Margherita Pizza 1,3,7,9 V Meatfree Meatballs in Tomato Sauce 6 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Chicken Curry Tomato Spaghetti 1 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Roast Chicken & Gravy Chinese Tofu wrap 1,3,16 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Bolognese Penne Pasta 1 Cheesy Cajun Wedges 4,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9	Fish Fingers 1,8 Bruschetta 1,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
	Rainbow Pasta 1 V, Sweetcorn, Peppers Strawberry Mousse 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Fruit Pots 6 V	Rice, Seasonal Vegetables Banana Loaf 1 V & Chocolate Custard 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Fruit Pots 6 V	Rustic Roast Potatoes or Jollof Rice Green Beans, Carrots Ice Cream 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots 6 V	Cauliflower Broccoli Jam & Vanilla Cake 1 V Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 V Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots 6 V	Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Coleslaw 9 Coconut Cookie 1,7 Yoghurt 3,7 Fruit Pots 6 V

AVAILABLE DAILY: Selection of Salads 9, Homemade Bread 1,3,7,9. Some of our schools may use pre-prepped potatoes or vegetables on occasions. These may contain sulphites and cerealia. Please discuss with your manager.

VG Vegan V Vegetarian
1 Wheat Gluten 2 Crustaceans 3 Soybean 4 Mustard 5 Sesame 6 Sulphites/Sulphur Dioxide 7 Milk
8 Fish 9 Egg 10 Peanuts 11 Molluscs 12 Celeraiac/Celery 13 Nuts 14 Lupins 15 Out Gluten 16 Barley Gluten



EAT YOUR VEGGIES!