



RLI News

16th December 2022

We have come to the last day of term and the ring of laughter and giggles around school today is lovely to hear. This week the children have enjoyed their Christmas Dinner, they have had the opportunity to meet with Father Christmas and today they have had their Christmas Parties.

Whilst this half term has brought illness a plenty we have been so proud of the children's resilience and enthusiasm to their learning.

Reception have hosted a lunch date and a Christmas Craft session for their families. They have LOVED the Jolly Postman and have enjoyed exploring different traditional tales this term. They have made wonderful progress this year already and I'm sure they will continue to flourish.

Year 1 have been exploring the past this term and thinking about their favourite toys and how toys have changed over time. Within their D&T work they have designed, created and tested out their own toy vehicles. They even hosted their own Toy Museum to showcase their learning to parents.

Our oldest learners in Year 2 have been quietly working away this half term. They have explored British Wildlife, The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark and made their own textiles Christmas decorations. We will be finding opportunities for our Year 2 parents to come in to school to experience your child's learning in the new year.

This term has been a busy one and on behalf of myself and Mrs Duncan I'd like to pass on a huge thanks to all of our children and families for your efforts and engagement with school life this term. We'd also like to thank our incredible staff team who have worked tirelessly to make sure our learners get the best possible experiences within our school.

From all of the team here at Race Leys Infant School we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a well and restful New Year.



Raffle

The raffle was drawn this week with prizes going home with the children where we could. If there are any unclaimed prizes we will look after these in the office until you are ready to collect. Feel free to ring the office if you need to arrange collecting these.

A huge thank you to all who gave money this half term for these Christmas events. This will be used towards something for our children in the new year.



Attendance

Attendance has been wonderful this week in school and we are all getting used to the earlier starting time of the school day.

SAM (School Attendance Matters) is going to the

winning class... Moorhen Class

OTIS (On Time in School) is spending the week between the winning class Gosling Class.

This week's Whole School Attendance is **90%**
We are aiming for a target of 96%.



Santa came to Race Leys

All of the children who visited Santa will have come home with a gift and hopefully a photo. We had a little chat with Father



Christmas after his visit and we were warmed to hear the things the children wanted for Christmas weren't full of technology. Instead they wanted books, games and time. There was also a couple that wanted a REAL dinosaur

and a REAL reindeer. 😊

Year 1 Home Learning

As part of our geography learning at the beginning of next term we would like you to talk to your child about landmarks you see on your way to school. These could be buildings, post boxes, parks etc. Please point out to your child that landmarks do not move.

Coming Soon...

Thank you to all who have contacted myself or some of our parent champions already we will look to set our first meeting in the New Year. Please keep an eye out on the Website for the date for this.

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Christmas Lunch

On Wednesday the children and staff all thoroughly enjoyed our Christmas Lunch. A huge thank you to our kitchen team for their efforts on this day. It was delicious—especially the roasties!

As the days are staying cold—don't forget in the new year children can access hot, delicious school meals completely free of charge. The new menu for the first week back is at the end of the Newsletter.

Congratulations

We would like to wish our lovely Mr Lidbetter the very best wishes as he will be getting married during the Christmas Holidays.



Year 1 Trip

Year 1 children are planning to go to the Transport Museum in January. Can we please ask that all money is brought in by 16th January. If we don't get enough contributions we may have to cancel the trip.

PE Days

These will remain the same as this term

Reception—Tuesday

Year 1—Wednesday and Friday

Year 2—Monday and Thursday

Children must wear PE Kit to school on these days. Can we please ask that the children wear their school jumpers or cardigans on PE Days.

Christmas Stockings

Thank you to all of the entries for this competition. The winners were;

- Isla (Reception)
- Jessica (Year 1)
- Emily (Year 2)



Supporting our Community

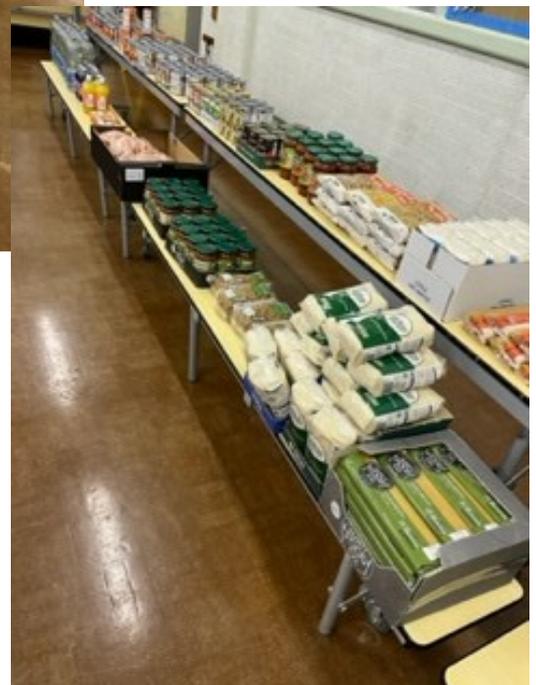
This week we have been very fortunate and have received a large donation of food to support our most vulnerable families. This has come from John Ison, Tesco's and a kindly cash donation.

We were able to host a Family Food Bank

This is something that we would like to continue to offer in the new year. We will keep you updated about this.

If you are in receipt of Free School Meals you would have received a Parent Mail about this. If this is something you think you'd benefit from please do get in touch with me and we will support you in completing an application for Free School Meals.

A huge thank you to the staff and Governors who helped to set this up.



Educaterers Lunch Menu Week 3

County and Manchester: 189, 1910, 2170, 2171, 2012, 2123, 2371, 1302, 613.
Leeds/Sheff: 208, 1399, 1070, 2070, 2101, 1978, 2023, 2371, 1302, 613.
Oxfordshire: 189, 1070, 2170, 2171, 2012, 2123, 2371, 613.

Meat Free Monday



OR



OR



OR



Cheese and Tomato Pizza D.G.

(v) Veg Korma M.D.E.

(v) Cheese/Beans D.

(v) Cheddar Cheese G.D.

Tuesday



OR



OR



OR



Pork Sausages G.S.U.

(v) Chinese Style Plant Based "Meat" balls
Noodles contain Gluten

(v) Cheese D.

British Roast Chicken G.

Wednesday



OR



OR



OR



Roast Beef in Gravy, York Pudd D.E.G.

(v) Quorn Roast G.
(v) Yorkshire Pudding D.E.G

Tuna Mayo M.D.E.

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Thursday



OR



OR



OR



Chicken Fajita Wrap G.

(v) Mac 'n' Cheese G.D.

British Ham G.

Friday



OR



OR



OR



Breaded Fish Fillet Fingers F.

(v) Breaded Vegetable Fingers G.

Egg Mayo M.D.E.

Week 3 Dessert Menu

Every day we offer:

(v) Yogurt (D)
or fresh fruit as alternative dessert options

Monday

(v) Homemade Chocolate Cracknel

Tuesday

(v) Chocolate or Strawberry Sweet Mousse D.
(v) Homemade Fruity Fapack G.

Wednesday

(v) Homemade Iced Sponge
with Sprinkles G.E. and Custard D.

Thursday

Jelly with Fruit
(v) Homemade Carrot and
Orange Cookie G.

Friday

(v) Cheddar Cheese Crackers and Apple
Slices G.D
(v) Ice Cream Tub D.

All our meals include a carbohydrate accompaniment, seasonal vegetables and/or salad. We offer a choice of fruit juice cordial, semi skimmed milk or water to drink. Some schools offer a Hydration Station instead, comprising of unlimited chilled water flavoured with fresh fruit. **Accompaniments may vary to those shown.**

PLEASE NOTE some schools serve the cold option in a deli bag with vegetable sticks or salad, a dessert and a drink.

Key

vg = vegan
V = vegetarian
D = Dairy
N = Coconut/ Nuts
\$ = Sesame
E = Egg
G = Gluten/Wheat
F = Fish
M = Mustard
SB = Soya
SU = Sulphites

Allergies

Please contact your school cook for information regarding the content of dishes and products on our menu.

