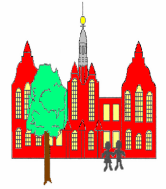


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Friendship Week

Next week, it is 'Anti-bullying' week up and down the country. We prefer to call it 'Friendship Week' instead. It also coincides with 'Children in Need' Day on Friday 19th. On that day we are encouraging children to come dressed in 'Wacky' clothes. This can be a 'wacky' mix of different clothes; even clothes worn 'back to front', 'inside out' or a combination of any of these!! The more bizarre the better!
Children need to bring £1 for the 'Wacky clothes'. We will also be selling buns at 10p each. Initially, we will limit these to 2 buns per child. Any surplus will be sold at home time.

Wyke Pupil Council

"On Monday afternoon, we went to Thoresby Primary School to have a meeting with other Wyke pupil councillors and Jacqui, who was part of the City Council. At the meeting we talked about what we liked around the Wyke Area. We had a really great time, getting to know each other. While we were there, we had a drink and a biscuit, and Jacqui gave us a badge each." Emma, Courtney and Jonathan

Registering for Free School Meals

You will be aware that discussion about the introduction of the Pupil Premium has led to a focus on free school meal entitlement. Hull City Council expect to know very shortly if the funding will be allocated on this basis. They should have a clearer idea by December 2010.

We strongly advise all families to check whether they are entitled to claim for free school meals. It is important that families should register as soon as possible

Free school meals are available only to

children whose parents/guardians are in receipt of one or more of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- Income-Based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Employment and Support Allowance (Income Related)
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Families in receipt of Child Tax Credit will also qualify provided that (a) they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit, and (b) their annual income, as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs does not exceed £16,190 as at 6 April 2010 (subject to annual review).
- Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit

It is quite straightforward to register. You can fill in a single sheet application form (EWB1). There is no need to submit any documentary evidence with the form (the Authority is able to perform an eligibility check via the Department for Education's online checking service). If you hand your form in at the school office we can then forward applications to the Council's Welfare Benefit Team. Applications are processed within three working days and schools are then notified by an 'additions' list of children becoming eligible – whilst parents/carers receive notification by letter of their entitlement.

Application forms are available at the school office and can be downloaded from the Hull City Council website.

It should be noted that clothing grants continue to be provided to those families eligible for free school meals, therefore this is an added incentive for you to apply.

Can we take this opportunity to remind parents that dinner money should be paid direct to the class teacher and NOT to the school office.

Wanted for the Christmas Fayre

We are starting to get ready for the Christmas fayre. We would be grateful for donations for some of our stalls. In particular, we need items for our tombola. These can include bottles of wine, chocolates, perfume and other toiletries etc
If you have any unwanted games, toys, jigsaws or similar then these would be appreciated for our jumble sales.

Class Exhibitions!

A big thank you to all those parents/carers who attended our first exhibition, especially with the atrocious weather. We heard many favourable comments and saw many smiles!

This half term, each phase group is holding an exhibition morning, where they will be showing more of their work.

The schedule is as follows:

18th November—Years 2/3

25th November—Years 4/5

2nd December—Year 6





What the children need next week

Foundation Stage PE kits Monday and Friday.

Year 1 Bookworm on Friday morning. 8.55 –9.20. PE Kits Mondays.

Year 2/3A PE Kits Monday & Wednesday

Year 2/3B PE Kits Wednesday

Year 4/5A PE kits Thursday & Friday.

Year 4/5B PE kits Wed/Thursday

Year 5/ 6 PE kits Tuesday.

MENU 1

Monday

4pm –5pm Dance class for adults only

12.30pm **Study Club** Mrs Brocklebank & Mrs Wilde

3.15pm - 4.15pm **Football** Club Mr Burton years 4,5,& 6

3.15pm-4.15pm **Board Games** Miss Atkinson & Miss Baitson years 2 & 3

Today's Menu: Braised Sausages & onion gravy, potato wedges, sweet corn, & baked beans. **Vegetarian option:** Vegetarian sausages. **Dessert:** Apricot Flapjack & custard

Tuesday

NEW!! 3.15-4.15 **Gymnastic Club** Outside coach
(This club is now full for this term)

Today's Menu: Roast Turkey & gravy, roast potato, peas, & carrots. **Vegetarian option:** Vegetable pastry. **Dessert:** Carrot cake muffin.

Wednesday

12.30pm **Reading Buddies** Mrs McIlwaine & Miss Northen

12.30pm **Board Games 2** Ms Saint years 4,5 & 6

3.15pm—4.15pm **Cookery Club** Miss Pullen

Today's Menu: Homemade Beef Burger with onion gravy, boiled potatoes, broccoli & cauliflower. **Vegetarian option:** Homemade Margarita Pizza. **Dessert:** Rice pudding with peaches.

Thursday

12.30pm **Steel Drums** Mr Browning - Year 6

12.30pm **Study Club** Mrs Brocklebank & Mrs Wilde

Today's Menu: Roast Chicken with gravy, mashed potato, Savoy cabbage & carrots. **Vegetarian option:** Korma Vegetable Bake. **Dessert:** Steamed Sultana Sponge & Custard.

Friday:

Today's Menu: Breaded Fish, chips, peas, carrots & baked beans. **Vegetarian option:** Mediterranean vegetable Quiche. **Dessert:** Chocolate crunch & custard.

