



**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

### Happy Half Term

We would like to wish everyone a happy and safe half term. We look forward to seeing you back on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February, refreshed and raring to go!!

**Whole school attendance this week has been  
95.3 %**

**Class winner Florence Nightingale 99.4%**

### Our Stars of the Week this week have been:

Nursery AM – Ethan  
Nursery PM - Ebonie  
Class 1 – Joe  
Class 2 – Alex  
Class 3 – Edi  
Class 4 – Rosie  
Class 5 – Bobbie-Beau  
Class 6 – Laura  
Class 7 – Hollie  
Class 8 – Frankee  
Class 9 – Ruby  
Class 10 – Pixie  
Class 11 – Noah  
Class 12 – Kaiden



**Toddler Group**  
Every Thursday during term time  
9 am – 10.30 am  
£1 per child

### Dinner Menu

**w/c 21/02/22**

**Week 1**

### Free School Meals

Did you know that if your child becomes eligible for Free School Meals before 31 March 2023, they will continue to be eligible until they leave Primary Education? This is regardless of any changes in your circumstances and means you do not need to tell us if your circumstances change. You may also be eligible for school holiday supermarket vouchers and uniform vouchers. Visit:

<https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/free-school-meals> to check if you are eligible or call into the school office where we will be happy to help.

### Coffee Afternoon

- Every other Thursday at 2pm
- Next on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2022



Come and have a coffee, cake, chat with other parents, staff and outside agencies who support families in our community.

### Health and Safety

In the interests of health and safety, we ask that children are supervised by parents/carers at all times at drop off and pick up times whilst on school premises.



### Message from Doncaster Children's Services Partnership

Worried about a child? We are always here for our children, young people and families 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. If you are worried about child and wish to speak to a person you can contact us by calling 01302 737777 or in the evening or at weekends call 01302 796000. You can also record your concerns online at [www.doncasterchildrenstrust.co.uk/worried-about-a-child](http://www.doncasterchildrenstrust.co.uk/worried-about-a-child) - this can be done anonymously.

### Staying Safe Online

Are you worried about online sexual abuse or the way someone has been communicating with your child online? Please visit the link below to report any concerns.

[www.ceop.police.uk](http://www.ceop.police.uk)

### Class Email Addresses

Should you wish to contact your child's class teacher you can do so by emailing the class email. However, this should not be used to report a child absent. All absence calls should be made to the school office.

Nursery	<a href="mailto:nursery@westrd.doncaster.sch.uk">nursery@westrd.doncaster.sch.uk</a>
Class 1	<a href="mailto:class1@westrd.doncaster.sch.uk">class1@westrd.doncaster.sch.uk</a>
Class 2	<a href="mailto:class2@westrd.doncaster.sch.uk">class2@westrd.doncaster.sch.uk</a>
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Class 11	<a href="mailto:class11@westrd.doncaster.sch.uk">class11@westrd.doncaster.sch.uk</a>
Class 12	<a href="mailto:class12@westrd.doncaster.sch.uk">class12@westrd.doncaster.sch.uk</a>

### Early Years

We have enjoyed learning about the Chinese New Year this week and pupils have been taking part in food tasting.



We are also finishing our exciting topics this term which are Dinosaurs and Space with some fun activities. In Reception, we have created our very own Milky Way galaxy chalk art pieces! In Maths, we have been learning all about 6, 7 and 8 in Reception and counting the number 2 in Nursery. Some of us were able to take part in a balance bike workshop, developing our balancing skills. Well done Early Years on a brilliant half term!

This week in Year 1 we have been writing our non-chronological reports on weather. We have included our knowledge from our Science

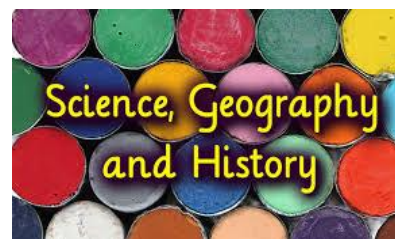







lessons about the different kinds of clouds and the extreme types of weather. We have also been working really hard on joining our

handwriting. In Maths, we have finished our work on place value, looking at tens and ones and counting in twos. In Phonics, we have continued to explore the alternative phase 5 sounds, like are in share. Keep up the great work Year 1!



This week, Year 2 have been working extremely hard finishing their Spring Term 1 Science lessons on electricity. We have moved onto Statistics in Maths, and the children have enjoyed making tally charts. After becoming mini Thomas Edisons in Literacy, the children have all written some wonderful diary entries.

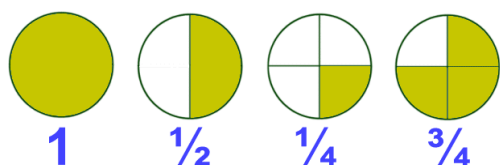


	TALLY	NUMBER
 spider	I	11
 ant		22
 snail		3
 butterfly	I	6
 bee		8

LKS2 have had a lovely week. We started the week with a dance workshop which all of the children thoroughly enjoyed and it was great to see them all getting active. We have continued to look at fractions in Maths, it's been tricky but the children have tried really hard and haven't given up. Literacy has been exciting this week as the children have been creating some instructions to tell us how to train their dragon that they created. The writing has amazed us. In Art, we have been able to draw Egyptian gods and goddesses onto the papyrus that we made last week and they all look fantastic! We hope you all have a lovely well deserved half term and hope that you all stay safe.

This week, in UKS2, we have been finishing off our topics in Science, Geography, History and our African artwork. We have learnt how to keep ourselves safe on the internet. We're really looking forward to half term next week, hopefully the weather will be nice for us.

Have a lovely week and stay safe everyone.





Week One  
West Road Primary Winter Menu

Primary Menu Week 1	'Green Earth Monday'	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	Mexican Taco with Veggie Chili, Mixed Rice	Classic Pasta Bolognese	Roast Gammon with Stuffing & Gravy	Creamy Chicken Korma Curry & Mixed Rice	Crispy Fish burger & I Tomato Sauce
VEGETARIAN CHOICE	Whole meal Margherita Pizza Slice	Veggie Mince Spaghetti Bolognese	Quorn Roast with Stuffing & Gravy	Mildly Spiced Sticky Korean Vegetables with Noodles	Crispy Veggie Burger with Tomato Sauce
VEGETABLES	Jacket Wedges Green Beans Sweetcorn	Steamed Broccoli Roasted Vegetables	Roast Potatoes Braised Cabbage	Stir Fried Vegetables Carrots	Chipped Potatoes Baked Beans Garden Pea
SANDWICHES	Tuna mayo	Cheese	Egg Mayo	Ham	Cheese
JACKET POTATOES	Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna & Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans				
DESSERT	Orange & Banana Traybake	Apple Flapjack	Tropical Crumble with Cream	Watermelon & Pineapple Slices	Chocolate Cookie

Available Daily: Salad Selection, Fresh Bread, Fresh Fruit & Yogurts

Menu Week Commencing

- 1st of November / 7th of March
- 22nd of November
- 13th of December
- 17th of January







Are you entitled to a £100 uniform voucher?

Am I entitled to free school meals for my child?

Your child will be eligible for free school meals (FSM) if you are receiving one of the following benefits or support:

- Universal Credit - Your annual net earned income must be no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to 3 of your most recent assessment periods.
- Income Support.
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance.
- Income-related ESA.
- Child Tax Credit but not Working Tax Credit and your annual income is below £16,190.
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit.
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Parents receiving Working Tax Credit for four weeks after their employment finishes are entitled to free school meals during that period. This also applies to parents who start working less than 16 hours per week.

**You are NOT entitled to free school meals if:**

- You receive Working Tax Credit except where the 'four week run-on' applies.

Even if your child is in Reception to Year 2 and they already receive a free meal under the government's Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM) system, it is still worth applying for FSM. Benefits of successful FSM applications are:

- A £100 uniform voucher (payable on your first successful application only).
- Free school milk up to the end of Year 2.
- Reduced costs for residential visits.
- Other benefits may become available from time to time.

**If your child becomes eligible for Free School Meals before 31 March 2022, they will continue to be eligible until they leave Primary Education.** This is regardless of any changes in your circumstances and means you do not need to tell us if your circumstances change.

For more information and to apply online please visit:

<http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/free-school-meals>

or alternatively, please call into the office and we will be happy to advise and help you with an application.

The Government has provided funding by way of the **Household Support Fund**, so that Doncaster Council can support households who would otherwise struggle to buy food or pay essential utility bills.

Doncaster Council has decided to use the grant as follows;

1. **to fund vouchers for food;** for each child eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals for the Christmas and February school holiday weeks. The allocation is £15 per holiday week and the vouchers will be issued by school. There is no need to apply for this as all families in receipt of benefits based Free School Meals will automatically be issued with these vouchers at the end of each term.

**The funding will also be used to support families who are not eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals as follows;**

2. **To provide 1 payment for food** for each child in the household who are not eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals where the parent/guardian is receiving any of the following; Council Tax Reduction, Housing Benefit or Universal Credit that includes housing costs in the calculation. The payment will be £75 per child for pupils at West Road.
3. **To provide a maximum of 1 fuel payment per household of £100 to be used towards the winter fuel bill for;**
  - parents/guardians with a child/children in the household eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals.
  - parents/guardians with a child/children in the household not eligible for benefits-related Free School meals, where the parent/guardian is receiving any of the following; Council Tax Reduction, Housing Benefit or Universal Credit that includes housing costs in the calculation.
  - single people and couples with no children who are receiving Council Tax Reduction, Housing Benefit or Universal Credit that includes housing costs in the calculation.

**To apply for funding under section 2 or 3, you must apply using DMBC's online application at <https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/doitonline/apply-for-a-household-support-fund> . You cannot apply through school.**

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# Information for Parents

## READING



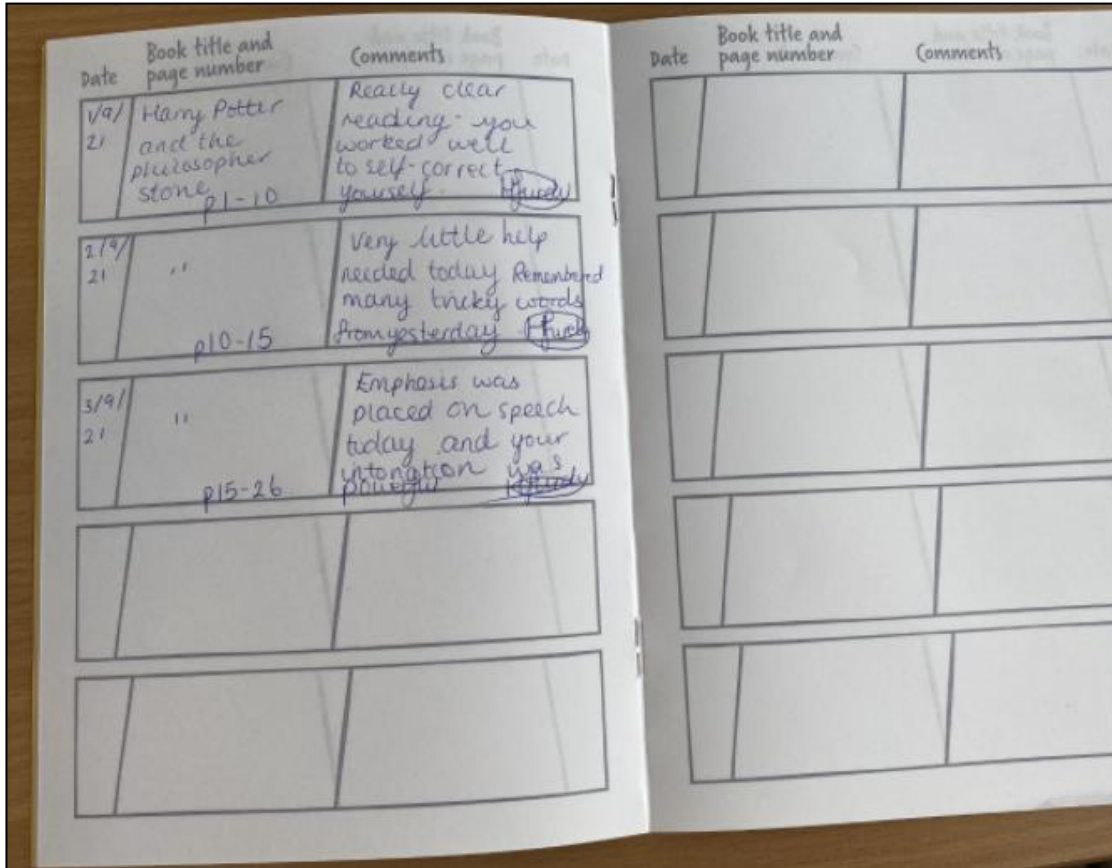
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## READING GUIDELINES FOR PLANNERS



Date	Book title and page number	Comments
1/9/21	Harry Potter and the Philosopher Stone p1-10	Really clear reading - you worked well to self-correct yourself. <i>[Signature]</i>
2/9/21	" p10-15	Very little help needed today. Remembered many tricky words from yesterday. <i>[Signature]</i>
3/9/21	" p15-26	Emphasis was placed on speech today and your intonation was powerful. <i>[Signature]</i>

The date, book title and page number read up to in the first section. Comments can then be added to let the class teacher know how your child has been reading at home e.g. if they need extra support on a certain spelling pattern or how they improved their reading. This section can also be used to let the class teacher know that your child has finished their book. Your signature is required at the end of the comment.

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## **THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN WRITING IN MY CHILD'S PLANNER**

The following list is not an exhaustive list but offers suggestions that may be appropriate. It is very important to remember that the enjoyment factor is always worth commenting on. Parents are not expected to comment on each of the following areas after each reading session!

- How enthusiastic is my child about the choice of book?
- Can my child remember the story so far?
- Is my child reading using only the pictures for clues?
- Does my child understand that the words they are reading mean something?
- Can my child read words out of context e.g. when you point to a word without reading the whole sentence?
- Is my child confident to attempt new words?
- What reading strategies is my child using e.g. sounds, use of the picture, use of the context?
- Can my child follow the text without using a finger or marker?
- Is there a pattern to the mistakes my child is making e.g. words ending in "ed" or starting in "sh"?
- Does my child recognise mistakes and self-correct?
- Is my child recognising many key words?
- Is my child aware of punctuation?
- Is my child reading with expression?
- How long is my child able to sustain reading?

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11th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

As half term holiday is now approaching, we would like you to join us in this opportunity to discuss with your child about ways they can keep themselves safe. At West Road Primary Academy, a key focus this term has been Road Safety. In LKS2, we have reminded the children in Circle Times how to stay safe when crossing the road. As many of our children walk home alone, we have reminded them of the rules of crossing the road. These have included finding an appropriate place to cross and when crossing the road using the 'Stop, Look, Listen' method.

This week, our school is learning about Internet Safety as it was Internet Safety Day on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022. Please revisit this topic with your child at home and talk about the devices that they may have access to and who to tell if they have a worry.

We would also like you to discuss items which are good and not good for our bodies. Please remind your child that they should not put non-food items into their mouths at any time, either at home or school as they could be swallowed. It should also be highlighted that household products often have warning labels on them and, even though they are used every day, they could be harmful if ingested. Please help your child to identify what can be consumed and who they should ask for help if they are unsure.

Thank you for your support with this matter and we hope everyone has an enjoyable half term.

Yours sincerely

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