

# School Newsletter Spring 2019 No. 20

24th May 2019

## Week 3 on the lunch menu

### Next Week:

- 3.6.19 Non-pupil day
- 5.6.19 Year 4 swimming
- 5.6.19 Family First Aid Course for Parents starts  
(Bookable via Sims Pay)
- 5.6.19 Viewing of SRE DVD for Year 5 Parents (Main hall)
- 6.6.19 Fingringhoe Wick Class Trip for EYFS
- 7.6.19 NSPCC Speak Out, Stay Safe Assembly for pupils
- 7.6.19 Non-uniform day 'Queens Birthday' theme—  
donations of bottles, tins or sweets for Tombola
- 7.6.19 Queens Birthday Bake Sale after school—  
donations to raise funds for reading books

### Freezy Fridays

In a bid to try to meet their fundraising goal to buy new reading books for the school, the School Association are introducing 'Freezy Fridays'. They will be selling ice lollies and ice creams from the Learning Lodge after school. You are all welcome to come along and buy them, they would make a great treat as a reward for lots of hard work at school for your children. All lollies will be sold for 50p, freeze pops are 20p and Cornetto's are £1. The School Association are also stocking the, 'Free From' range which are gluten free and dairy free. We look forward to seeing you to help raise lots of money.



### Father's Day Lunch

Following our successful and enjoyable Mother's Day lunch, we are excited to be able to offer the same opportunity for our fantastic dads. The children are already looking forward to welcoming you and spending some time with you during their school day. We will be holding our lunches over a few days from 12th June to the 18th June. There will be a small charge for the event and further details can be found on our Father's Day Lunch letter. If you would like to attend please book via Sims Pay by Thursday

6th June. Like with Mother's Day, we will also be setting up a small shop where the children can buy a gift for a special Dad. I hope you will be able to support your children with this event and look forward to having you in school with us.



Birthday greetings go to:



All of our pupils who have celebrated their birthdays this week. **Happy Birthday to you all.**

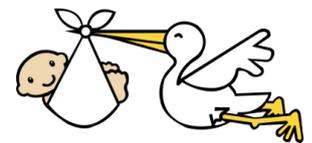
### Mummification

What a grisly week it has been in Year 6. Year 6 have been learning about mummification and had a visit from Mrs Timms to show them how to mummify a fish. Whether you find mummies creepy or mysterious, you have to admit they are pretty fascinating. Ancient Egyptians preserved the bodies of dead for the afterlife by removing most of the organs and treating the body with a naturally occurring salt called natron- a mixture of soda, ash and baking soda. The Year 6s were fascinated by watching a fish be completely gutted and the cavities filled with breaking soda. There were a few squeals and held noses but it will be a lesson that they will never forget. I am sure if you ask them, they will be able to give you a very detailed step by step account of how to complete a mummification - if you're lucky you may even get your own demonstration! Thank you Mrs Timms for such an exciting lesson.



### Mrs Cook

We are happy to announce that Mrs Cook is expecting her second baby in October and is due to start her maternity leave at the start of the new academic year. I am sure you will all join me in wishing Mrs Cook and her family all the very best at this exciting time and we look forward to meeting the new addition to their family. Congratulations Mrs Cook!



### Happy Half Term

This half term was short and sweet, and full of lots of hard work from everyone at Roach Vale. I would like to wish you all a lovely break and I hope you get a chance to enjoy the sunshine. We look forward to seeing you back at school on Tuesday 4th June.