



## **FRIDAY NOTE HOME**

**28/06/2019**

**This week we celebrate...**

...our families for joining us for a fabulous Sports Day on Friday.

May we also take the time to thank Miss Hunter for organising the event.



### **Stars of the Week**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STARS OF THE WEEK.**



<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
Vegetarian sausage roll, creamed potatoes, baked beans & peas	Beef casserole with roast potatoes & seasonal vegetables	Sticky BBQ Chicken, savoury rice & seasonal vegetables	Beef meatballs with tomato sauce, pasta & seasonal vegetables	Breaded fish fillet, chips & seasonal vegetables
Chocolate orange muffin	Mini bran flake bar	Strawberry mousse	Biscuit	Jelly & fruit



 Good attendance	 Below 97%	 Poor attendance – below 90%
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<b>3EC</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>3JB</b>	<b>97.60%</b>
<b>3LH</b>	<b>92.31%</b>
<b>4AJ</b>	<b>89.58%</b>
<b>4EH</b>	<b>91.67%</b>
<b>4LS</b>	<b>92.17%</b>
<b>5EM</b>	<b>99.05%</b>
<b>5RH</b>	<b>95.65%</b>
<b>5RU</b>	<b>97.37%</b>
<b>6AH</b>	<b>93.33%</b>
<b>6CC</b>	<b>99.09%</b>
<b>6MB</b>	<b>97.69%</b>
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>95.39%</b>
<b>Year to date</b>	<b>96.72%</b>

If your child is too ill to attend school, please remember to ring school before 9.15am to provide a reason for their absence. You can do this by calling on 01246 822324 or by sending a message to 07746112830

If your child is absent for no reason, a health and wellbeing check will be carried out by school. This takes the form of a phone call home or where deemed necessary a home visit will be made.

## Attendance Matters- Every day counts



Our last day of term is **MONDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2019.**

**All children** will be expected to attend school on this day. If your child does not attend school without a valid reason, their absence will be unauthorised and it will be assumed your child is absent due to being away on holiday. Following our Attendance Policy, such absences will be forwarded to Derbyshire County Council for the issue of a Penalty Notice.

### If Your Child Is Ill

Please ring the school before 9.15a.m. on **822324** or even easier, text us on **07746112830.**

## May Day Bank Holiday 2020

As you may have seen in the news recently, The May Day Bank Holiday in 2020 has been moved back for the whole of the UK to coincide with the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day. It will now occur on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May instead of Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020. Our school calendar will incorporate this change very soon for the 2019/20 academic year and our term dates on our website will be updated shortly.  
Thank you.

## Dinner Money Debt



We have a large amount of unpaid dinner monies in school. As stated in our School Dinner Money Policy, which can be found on our school website, please ensure that your child's dinner money account is in credit by **at least £10.50** to pay for the forthcoming week.

Dinner money debts should be paid off plus extra to pay for dinners to be had that week. There will not be school dinners issued to children who have a debt; therefore, a packed lunch must be sent with your child until the debt is cleared.  
Thank you.

### Before school arrangements

*Please may we take the time to remind parents that children should not be on school site before 8:30am. Before this point, there is nobody to supervise our pupils. If they arrive at 8:30am, they must go straight in to Breakfast Club through the hall doors at the back of school.*

*Thank you for your co-operation.*



## Jewellery

On health and safety grounds, children are discouraged from wearing jewellery. A watch and stud earrings are acceptable. However, all jewellery should be removed before P.E, therefore, it's a good idea to have any ear piercings done at the start of the summer holidays.

**Could your child be entitled to extra support in school that they are not already receiving?**

## **Free School Meals & Extra Funding In School For Your Child**

A lot of people don't claim free school meals even though they're entitled.

That's why Derbyshire County Council has launched a campaign to encourage people to check if they're eligible.



You don't need to worry about other children knowing your child gets free school meals. Only the school and catering staff will know. They don't have to have a school lunch every day, and pupils are still able to bring a packed lunch, however, it will save you money and time by not having to make a lunch!

You could save £400 a year for each child and your children will benefit from a good hot meal at lunchtime.

The school benefits too – for those children eligible for free school meals, we get the pupil premium of £1,300 a year from the government. We would, therefore, encourage all parents to apply if you think you may be eligible, even if your child still prefers to bring a packed lunch from home.

This extra funding is then spent on things in school for the children eligible, such as, extra support in class, interventions, subsidised trips and residentials, support with uniform and clubs amongst other things.

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Universal Credit
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on

### **Applying or Checking Your Eligibility**

You can sign up for free school meals at any time of year.

To check your eligibility, or to apply, takes a few minutes and all you need is your National Insurance number and a few contact details. You can do this online through the Derbyshire County Council website [here](#).

You do not have to fill in a separate form for each child, even if they go to different schools. Just name the child and which school they go to.

**It really is that easy!**

Further information can be found online by searching **Derbyshire Free School Meals**.

## Parents & Road Safety

Can parents who have children that come to school on a bicycle or scooter, please make sure they remind their child to wear a helmet along with other relevant safety wear.

Please could you also take the time to remind your child about road safety and acceptable use of pavements and other public areas. We have received a number of concerns from local residents recently about a number of different children not riding safe while on their bicycles. Thank you.

## School Holidays and useful dates

- Y5 Taster Day at The Bolsover School – 3<sup>rd</sup> July
- Y6 Eden Camp Trip – 5<sup>th</sup> July
- Y6 Transition Week – 8-12<sup>th</sup> July
- School Disco – 10<sup>th</sup> July
- Reports out to parents – 12<sup>th</sup> July
- Year 6 Leavers' Party – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July
- Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July
- Break up for summer holidays- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

## Mobile Phones in school

Please may we remind parents that children are advised **not** to bring mobile phones into school. However, if parents feel this is necessary for a valid reason (e.g. a child walks home on their own) then they **must** hand them in at the school office. The reason for this is to safeguard and protect, not only other pupils, but also the child themselves to ensure no claims are made against them. They are **not** to have mobile phones on them or in bags during the day and, if a phone is found, then school have the right to confiscate the phone and ask parents to pick it up after school.

Thank you for your compliance and support with this in ensuring that all our pupils are safe.

## Term Dates for 2019/20

### **2019/2020 academic year**

- 3 September 2019 to 25 October 2019
- 4 November 2019 to 20 December 2019
- 6 January 2020 to 14 February 2020
- 24 February 2020 to 3 April 2020
- 20 April 2020 to 22 May 2020
- 1 June 2020 to 21 July 2020

### **2019/2020 bank holidays**

- 25 and 26 December 2019
- 1 January 2020
- 10 April 2020 (Good Friday)
- 13 April 2020 (Easter Monday)
- 8 May 2020 (this is different to the usual bank holiday)
- 25 May 2020 (spring bank holiday)
- 31 August 2020 (summer bank holiday)

### **Inset Days**

- 3 September 2019
- 4 November 2019
- 3 February 2020
- 20 July 2020
- 21 July 2020

Please note: Staff will be completing INSET training on 2 September and so will return on this date.

