



Friday 25th September 2020

Dear Families

Census Day – Thursday 1st October 2020
This is a really important day for us!

Thursday 1st October is an important day for us all here at All Saints' Thurlestone CofE Academy: it is School Census Day! This is the day where information is gathered and collated about our pupil numbers and the school in order to allocate funding for the coming year. The funding goes towards providing the children with exciting learning opportunities, providing them with the correct learning equipment and enriching their learning experiences. In order to help us to continue to do the best for all our children, we are asking for your support so that we continue to provide an excellent education for all of our children.

We all know that our children love our delicious school lunches, and so to help maximise our potential funding allocation on Census Day, we will be serving:

- Fish fingers, chips and peas
- Cheese and tomato omelette, chips and beans
- Strawberries & organic vanilla ice cream
- Picnic bag with a ham sandwich, fruit, yoghurt and a healthy dessert

On this day, all children in Reception and KS1 (*all of whom are entitled to free universal school meals*) do not need to bring in a packed lunch from home as we would love them all to enjoy their favourite meal with their friends and teachers. Even if your child does not plan on having a school lunch on this day, it really helps if they ALL do; by maximising the funding our academy receives, we can continue to provide an excellent education for all our children. In addition to this, we'll be entering all of our Reception and KS1 children into a lucky dip, giving them the chance to win a hamper of delicious, locally produced food to share with their family at home. What have you got to lose!

We are also planning a lunchtime full of fun! We will be exploring where our lunch comes from, how local it is and whether we know the farmer's name!

If your child does not normally have a school lunch and would like to enjoy one of our home cooked lunches, please book in advance through the School Money app or website by 11.59pm on Wednesday 30th September. We are unable to change the menu on School Money and therefore ask that you choose the main meal (Pasta Bolognese) and this will ensure your child receives fish fingers, chips and peas or pasta with a tomato and basil sauce for Cheese and Tomato omelette, chips and beans for our vegetarians. Please note that the Pasta Bolognese and pasta with tomato and basil sauce and Tuna wrap picnic bag will be served on Friday.



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If you have any questions or need any help, please contact Mrs Brodie in the academy office via email Thurlestone@lapsw.org or on 01548 560494 and she will be happy to help.

Is my child eligible for Free School Meals?

Your child may be entitled to Free school Meals if you are in receipt of certain benefits. To see if you are eligible check the website <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

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