

# Welcome to Birch Tree Class

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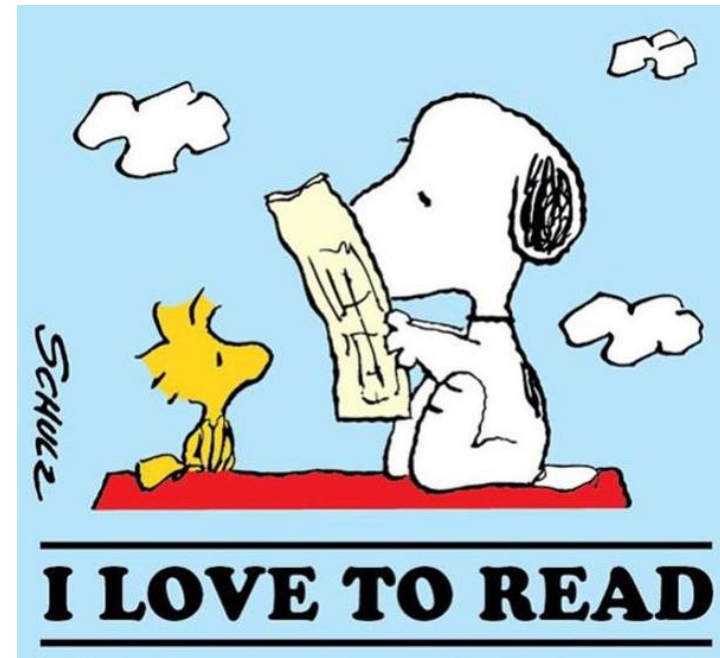
Year 3 Timetable 2026/2027 – Week 1

|           | 8:30 - 8:50                  | 8:50 – 10.00 | 10.00-10.30<br>Non-negotiable           | 10:30-10:45 | 10:45-12.15 | 12:15 – 1:15 | 1:15-2.30         | 2.30-2.40                   | 2.40 – 2.55               |
|-----------|------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Monday    | Early readers /interventions | English      | Spelling/handwriting and guided reading | Break       | Maths       | lunchbreak   | Computing         | Assembly/collective worship | Collect Home things/Story |
| Tuesday   |                              | English      | Spelling/handwriting and guided reading |             | Maths       |              | History/Geography |                             |                           |
| Wednesday |                              | English      | Spelling/handwriting and guided reading |             | Maths       |              | R.E               |                             |                           |
| Thursday  |                              | English      | Spelling/handwriting and guided reading |             | Maths       |              | Art/DT            |                             |                           |
| Friday    |                              | English      | Spelling/handwriting and guided reading |             | Maths       |              | PSHE              |                             |                           |

What our week looks like:

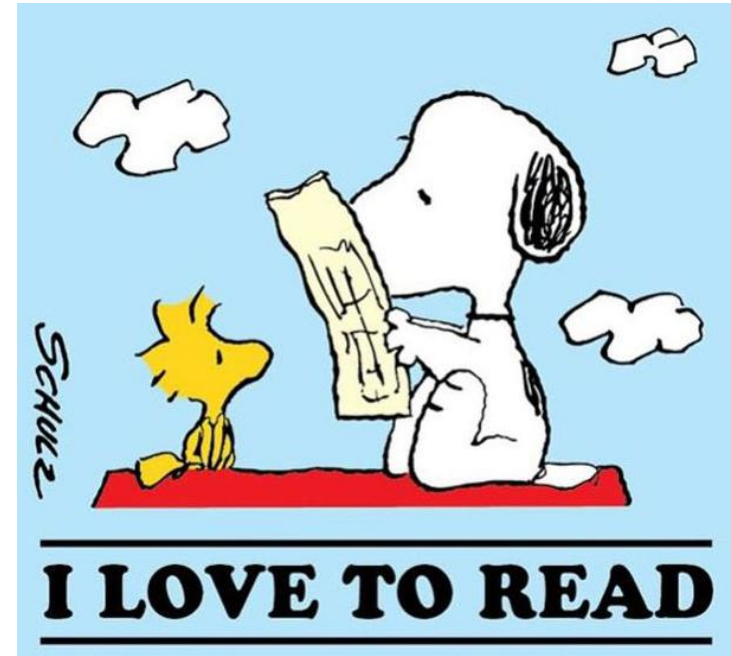
# Reading

- We will have weekly library visits to enjoy and change books. Our Guided Reading sessions are held every day where the focus will be reading fluently and building comprehension skills.
- However, this is not enough to teach fluent reading. They need to read aloud to an adult EVERY DAY.
- Please make sure your child has their book and reading record in school every day.



# Reading

- Children should be reading their books for at least 20 minutes each day, with an adult listening when possible to check decoding and comprehension skills.
- Keep it fun, model reading and ask questions.
- Your child should record their reading every day. If they read more than 3 times per week they receive a diamond gem.
- Please sign your child's reading record 3 times per week.
- Children learn best through modelled behaviour. When do you read? Let your children see you reading for pleasure and talking about what you have read.

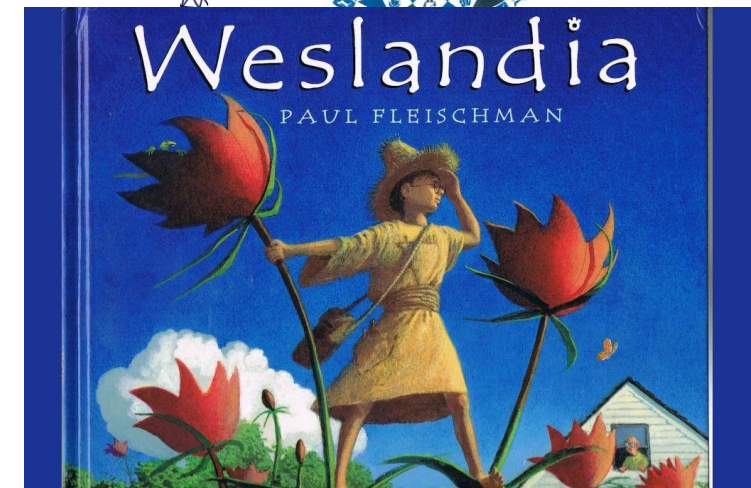
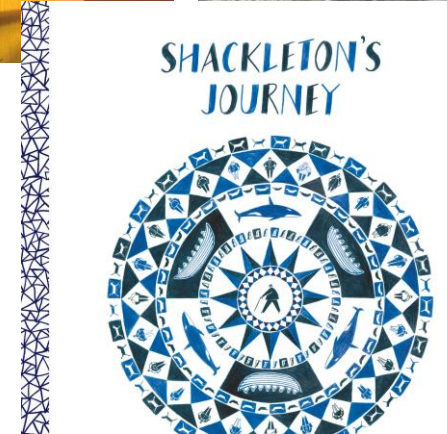
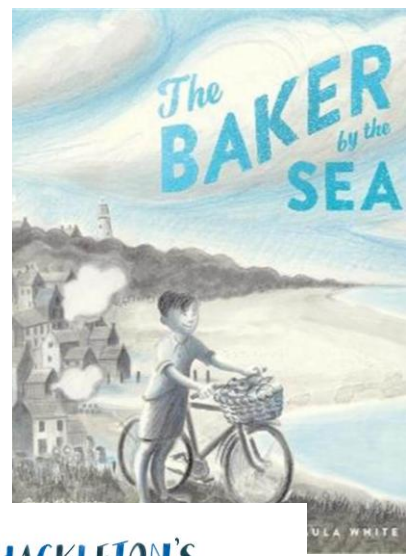
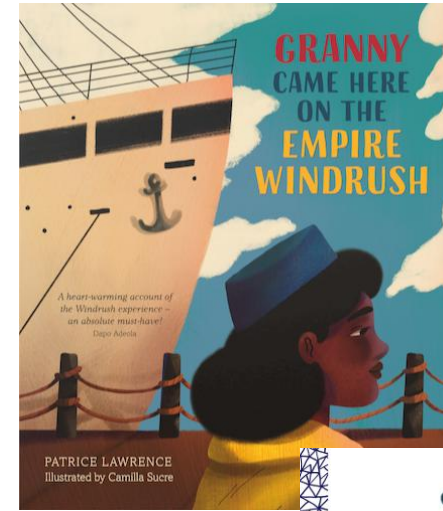


# English

In English this half term we will be writing a range of fiction and non-fiction texts.

We will use our key texts to inspire some of our fiction pieces of writing, such as character and setting descriptions. Our topics will provide a fact base for instruction writing, persuasive writing and non-chronological report writing.

In so doing, the children get to write a wide range of literature and informative pieces of text. Throughout these pieces they will also apply the grammar, spellings or punctuation learned during that week.



# Our History Topic – Autumn 1 Roman Britain

Our topic for this half-term is the Romans. Our first core texts are *Escape from Pompeii* by Christine Balit and *The Thieves of Ostia* (Roman Mysteries).

The children will have the chance to learn about how the Romans conquered Britain, who Boudicca was, how the Romans changed Britain and why they left Britain.

There will a Roman Day on Friday 16th October.



# Our History Topic – Autumn 1 Roman Britain

We hope to be able to take the Year 4 children to Butser Ancient Farm to learn more about the Romans. You will receive a letter about this shortly.

In order to keep costs down, we have booked a coach to share with Year 3 who will visit Butser to learn about the Stone Age. The cost is about £35 for a full day of activities and transport. Please speak to the office about payment if this could be a problem.



# Our Topics for the year



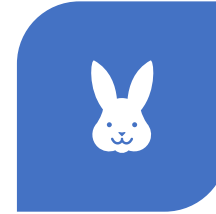
AUTUMN 1 –  
ROMANS (HISTORY)



AUTUMN 2 – RIVERS  
(GEOGRAPHY)



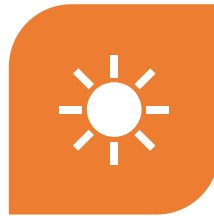
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SAXONS AND SCOTS  
(HISTORY)



SPRING 2 –  
MIGRATION  
(GEOGRAPHY)



SUMMER 1 – VIKINGS  
(HISTORY)



SUMMER 2 –  
NATURAL RESOURCES  
(GEOGRAPHY)

# Maths

The children will be completing the 'Maths no Problem' scheme throughout the year.

The areas we will be focusing on for this term are:

- Place Value
- Addition
- Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Division
- Length

## Maths at Home

Measure

Time

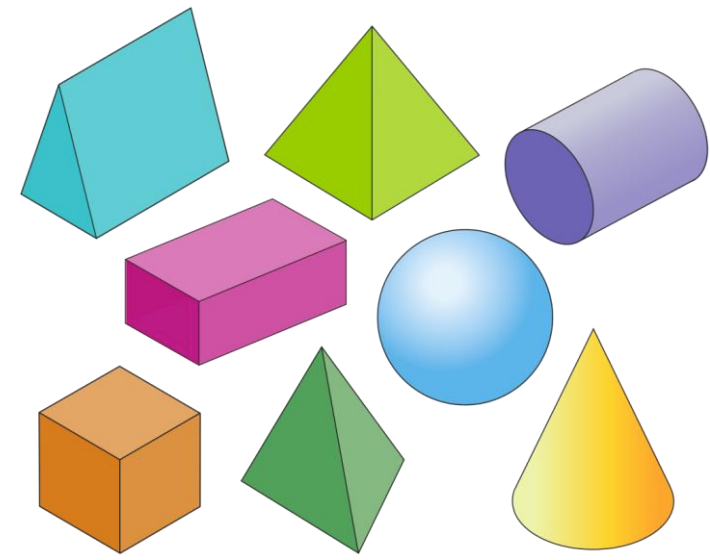
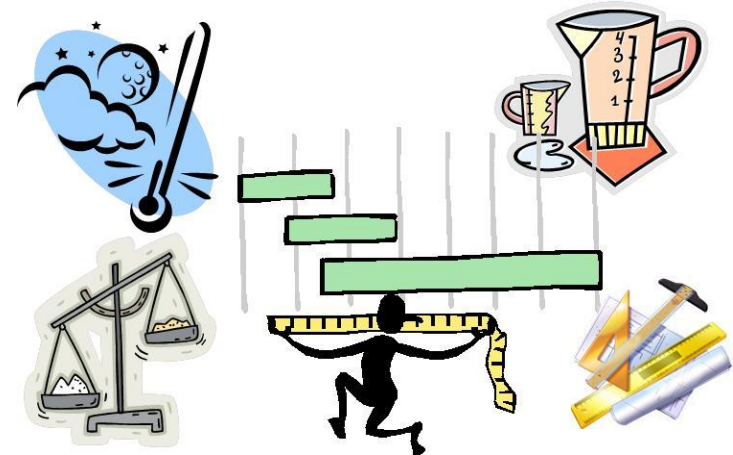
Weights

Using scales

Calendars

Shapes 2D and 3D

Place Value

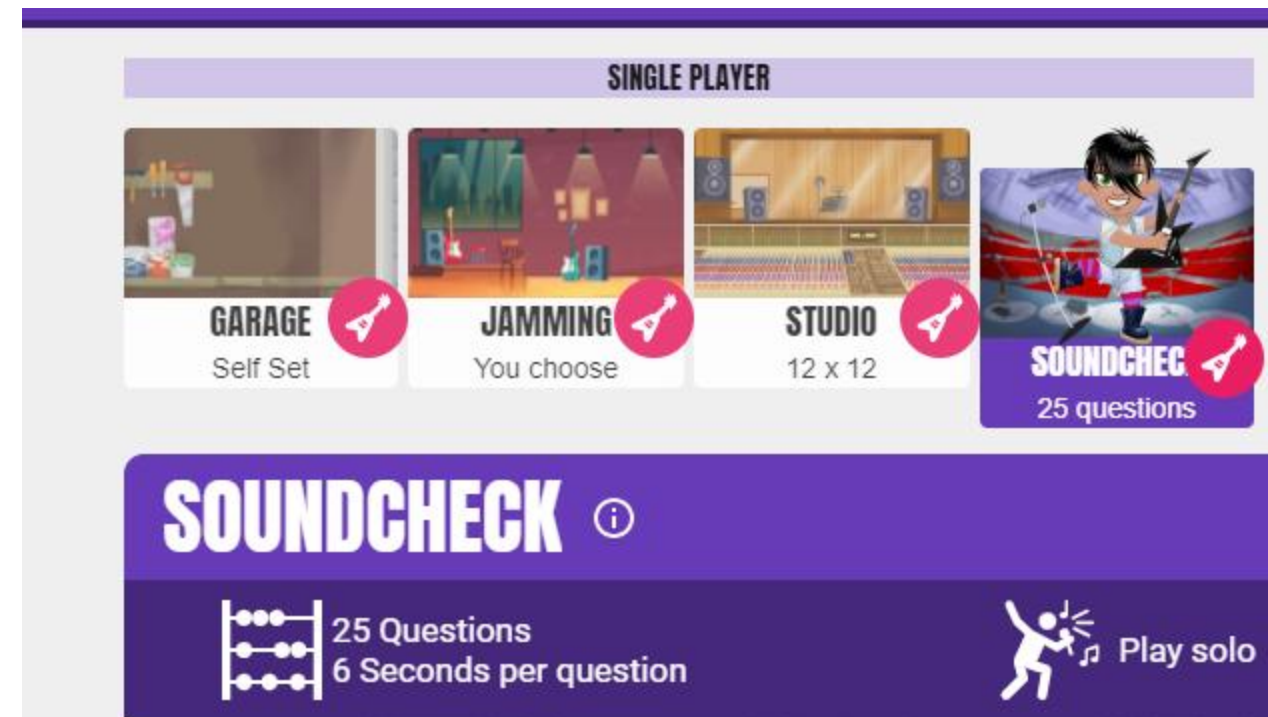


# MTC

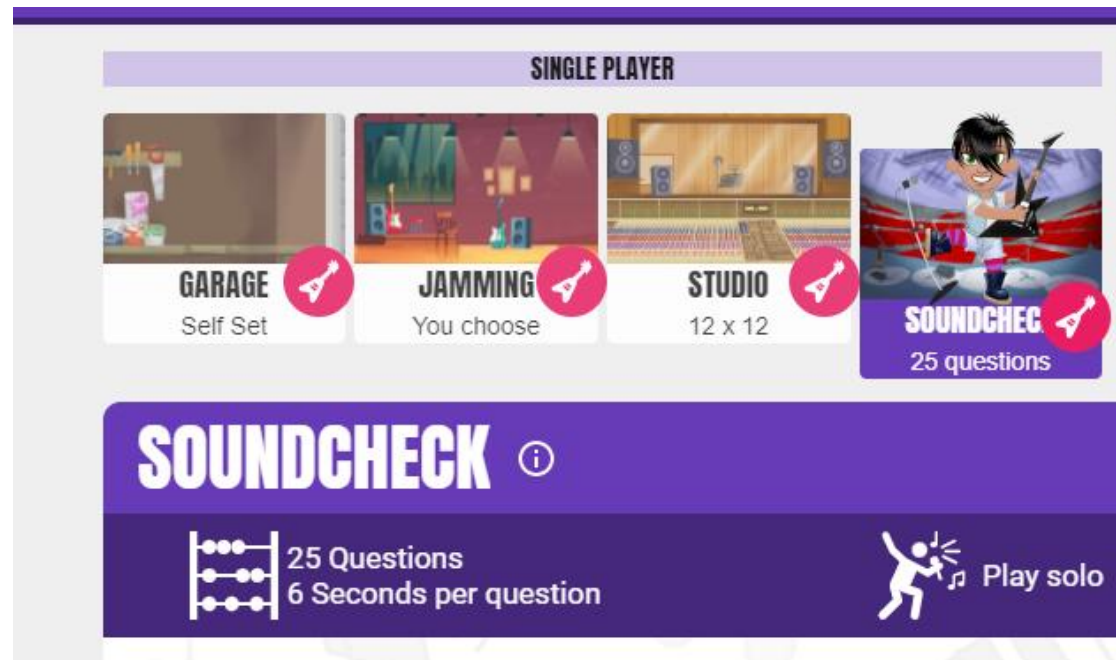
The children will be completing the MTC – Multiplication Tables Check within a 3 week period at the beginning of June 2027.

The Year 4 Times Tables Test is an online test with 25 questions; children must answer each question within a 6 second time limit so the whole test will take less than 5 minutes.

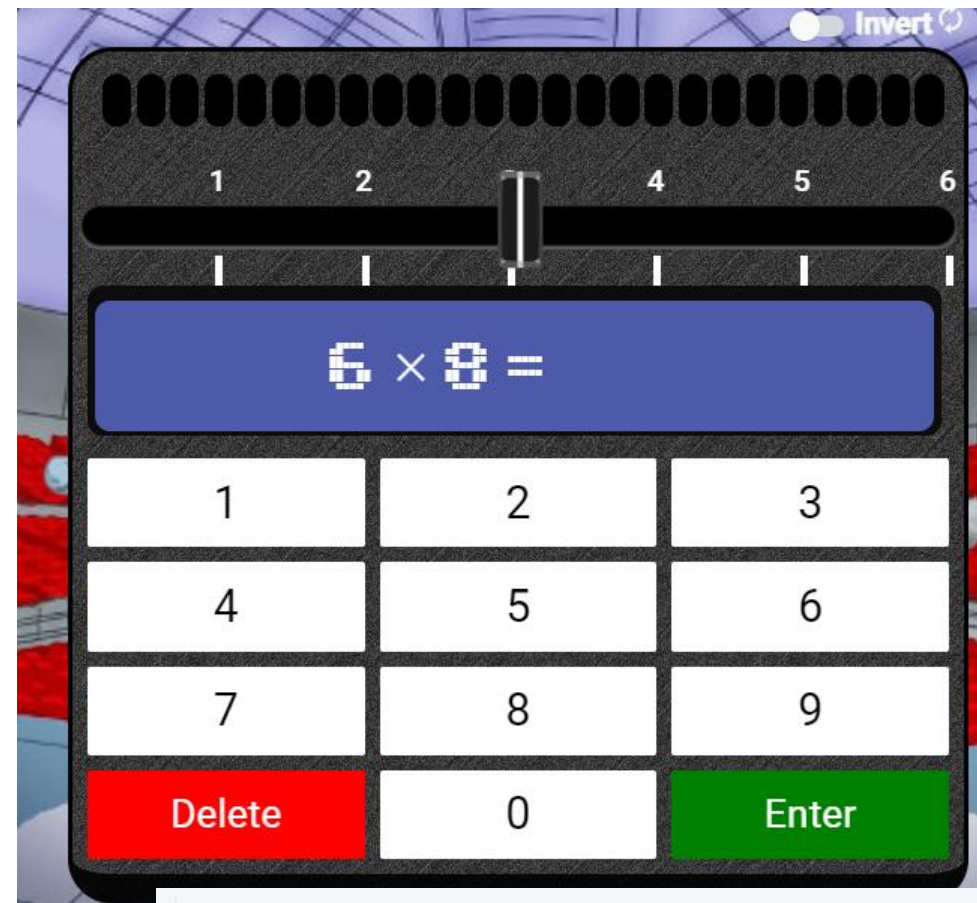
There is no pass mark, fail, nor expected standard threshold. It is intended that schools use their own judgement as to any actions needed after the results.



# MTC and TTRS



There are also other sites that offer good practise opportunities e.g. [timestables.co.uk](http://timestables.co.uk)



# Spellings

- Spellings will be given out each Friday, as part of their Home Learning and children will be tested on the following Friday. They will be sent with the home learning for that week.
- Children can practise the spellings at home.
- Active spelling practise: jumping letter, words in words (e.g. speared), pyramid words, missing vowels, hangman.



# Home Learning

Home learning work will be sent home each **Friday** and will need to be completed by the following Wednesday.

Children will be given maths, reading and spelling learning each week. Feel free to support your child. The work should not take more than 20 minutes. If it does, or there are misconceptions, please include a note to me.

Children will also be given a home learning menu. Within this, there will be a range of fun and exciting tasks that are related to our topic. Children are to complete at least three, however if they wish to, they can do more.



# Home Learning

If you are struggling with Home Learning, then please focus on reading.

Our aim is to teach children to be independent learners.  
That begins with reading.

If you can read, you can learn anything.



# Pencil Cases

In KS2 children are now required to bring their own SMALL, NAMED pencil cases.  
Keep it simple please.



## Recommended items:

3 or 4 pencils, sharpened  
Handwriting pen – blue ink (Berol)

Rubber

Sharper

Ruler

Glue stick

Whiteboard pen (any colour)

Optional: Scissors, 1 Highlighter (not pink or yellow)

## School will provide:

Coloured pens and pencils, a green pen for responding to feedback and a pink pen for peer marking.

Optional (in another case)

Coloured pencils

Felt tip pens



Our lunch provider offers a range of appetizing menus.

The menus are online and have a 3 week rota.

Primary

offers a range of

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| WEEK 1               | MONDAY                                          | TUESDAY                         | WEDNESDAY                                      | THURSDAY                                                         | FRIDAY                          |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| MAIN MEAL            | Cheesy Salmon Sub Melt with Baked Wedges        | Creamy Beef Lasagne             | Roast Gammon & Roast Potatoes with Gravy       | Mild Chicken Massaman Curry with Wholegrain & White Rice         | Fish Fingers & Chips            |
| VEGETARIAN MAIN MEAL | Italian Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Baked Wedges | Plant Based Meatball Pasta Bake | Vegan Sausage Puff & Roast Potatoes with Gravy | Vegan Sweet & Sour Butternut Squash with Wholegrain & White Rice | Vegan Vegetable Nuggets & Chips |
| PASTA                | Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce                 | Pasta with Cheese Sauce         | Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce                | Pasta with Cheese Sauce                                          | Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce |

| WEEK 2               | MONDAY                                 | TUESDAY                                     | WEDNESDAY                                | THURSDAY                                                          | FRIDAY                  |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| MAIN MEAL            | Traditional Pork & Beef Sausage & Mash | Beef & Basil Pasta Bake                     | Roast Turkey & Roast Potatoes with Gravy | Mild Mexican Beef Chilli with Wholegrain & White Carrot Rice      | Battered Fish & Chips   |
| VEGETARIAN MAIN MEAL | Vegan Plant Based Sausage & Mash       | Vegan Baked Gnocchi in Tomato & Basil Sauce | Red Pepper & Spinach Spanish Omelette    | Vegan Mild Plant Based Chilli with Wholegrain & White Carrot Rice | Margherita Wrap & Chips |

| WEEK 3                     | MONDAY                                                | TUESDAY                                                    | WEDNESDAY                                                       | THURSDAY                                                                | FRIDAY                                                          |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| MAIN MEAL                  | Mixed Vegetable & Bean Hot Wrap with Baked Wedges     | Beef Bolognaise with Wholegrain & White Pasta              | Roast Chicken & Roast Potatoes with Gravy                       | Mild Chicken Bhuna Curry with Wholegrain & White Carrot Rice            | Fish Fingers & Chips                                            |
| VEGETARIAN MAIN MEAL       | Italian Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Baked Wedges       | Vegan Plant Based Bolognaise with Wholegrain & White Pasta | Macaroni Cheese                                                 | Mild Chickpea & Paneer Korma with Wholegrain & White Carrot Rice        | Vegan Falafel Kofta & Chips with Asian Slaw                     |
| PASTA                      | Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce                       | Pasta with Cheese Sauce                                    | Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce                                 | Pasta with Cheese Sauce                                                 | Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce                                 |
| VEGETABLES                 | Sweetcorn                                             | Carrots & Peas                                             | Seasonal Vegetables                                             | Tomato, Cucumber & Carrot Salad                                         | Baked Beans                                                     |
| JACKET POTATOES            | Cheddar Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise        |                                                            |                                                                 |                                                                         |                                                                 |
| PUDDING                    | Vanilla Yoghurt                                       | Blueberry Muffin                                           | Strawberry Jelly with Fruit Cocktail                            | Homemade Apple Crumble & Custard                                        | White Chocolate Crispie Cake                                    |
| PICK & MIX ROLLS & DESSERT | Egg Mayonnaise Roll<br>Cheese Roll<br>Vanilla Yoghurt | Chicken Roll<br>Egg Mayonnaise Roll<br>Blueberry Muffin    | Ham Roll<br>Cheese Roll<br>Strawberry Jelly with Fruit Cocktail | Tuna Mayonnaise Roll<br>Cheese Roll<br>Homemade Apple Crumble & Custard | Ham Roll<br>Egg Mayonnaise Roll<br>White Chocolate Crispie Cake |

# Lunch Provider IFG Primary

Lunches must be chosen and paid for by the previous Saturday.

E.g. For week commencing Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September your choices must be made by the evening of Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

Please talk to your child about the choices made as they cannot be changed.

If your child is unwell on a day that you have chosen a school meal, you must inform the school office. They will have a credit placed on your child's account.

| IFG Primary  |                                                 |                                                                |                                                         |                                                                                |                                                     |
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| VEGETABLES                                                                                      | Carrots & Peas                                  | Garden Peas                                                    | Seasonal Vegetables                                     | Tomato, Cucumber & Carrot Salad                                                | Baked Beans                                         |
| JACKET POTATOES                                                                                 | Cheddar Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise  |                                                                |                                                         |                                                                                |                                                     |
| PUDDING                                                                                         | Vanilla Yoghurt                                 | Apple Strudel & Custard                                        | Strawberry Jelly & Mandarins                            | Apple & Cocoa Sponge with Vanilla Sauce                                        | Vegan Shortbread                                    |
| PICK & MIX ROLLS & DESSERT                                                                      | Ham Roll<br>Cheese Roll<br>Vanilla Yoghurt      | Chicken Roll<br>Egg Mayonnaise Roll<br>Apple Strudel & Custard | Ham Roll<br>Cheese Roll<br>Strawberry Jelly & Mandarins | Tuna Mayonnaise Roll<br>Cheese Roll<br>Apple & Cocoa Sponge with Vanilla Sauce | Ham Roll<br>Egg Mayonnaise Roll<br>Vegan Shortbread |

# Year 4 Sleepover

In the Autumn term, Year 4 will be invited to sleepover at school!  
More details will follow soon.

Date: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November



# P.E.

P.E. will take place twice each week.

This half term our focus is dance and football.

Please ensure all PE items are labelled.

Our P.E. lessons will take place on **Wednesday** afternoon and **Friday** afternoon. Swimming will replace the Wednesday session.

Please ensure children come to school wearing **appropriate** PE kit, with no earrings.

## PE Kit:

Black shorts

School PE t-shirt (house colour)

Black plimsolls for inside, trainers for outside (include socks)

PE kit bag (string bag)

Tracksuit (optional for winter outdoor)

All items of uniform are available from PMG Schoolwear, Chessington.



## P.E.

Swimming will take place at Linden Bridge School later in the year.  
We will need 2 parent helpers each week.



### Swimming Kit:

Swim suit

Towel

Goggles

Swim socks

Swim hat

Named string bag



# Attendance and Punctuality

It is important that your child attends school every day.

Only exceptions are: vomiting, diarrhoea, temperature and contagious illnesses such as measles.

If they are unwell at school, we will call home.



# Attendance and Punctuality

The earliest part of the school day includes reading with adults, independent reading, pre-teaching and responding to marking.

Late arrivals miss this important learning opportunity.



Creating a consistent bed-time routine is helpful so that children wake refreshed and ready to learn.

Late night screen time should be avoided.



Thank you for listening.



Any questions?

