

# NEWSLETTER

1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2021

#### **Harvest Festival**

On the afternoon of Thursday 14th October, the children will be visited by Reverend Jane and Reverend Ruth, from St Nicholas Church, to take part in Harvest Festival. In order to support our local community, we would like to ask for

donations of non-perishable items to donate to the Meon Valley Food Bank, located at Wickham Community Centre. Please send these into school on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October. A group of children will deliver the donations to the food bank the following day. Current items required are listed below, although any non-perishable item is very much appreciated.



UHT/Powdered Milk	Tinned Meat & Fish
Tinned Fruit/Tomatoes	Coffee
Tinned soup	Tinned Rice Pudding
Shampoo & toothbrushes	Toilet Roll
Tinned Sponge Pudding	Tinned Custard

Tinned Vegetables Sugar (500g) Instant Mashed Potato Squash Cereal

Badgers class, who will be on a school trip that day will have the opportunity to bring in food items in the morning.

#### Walk to School Week



Next week is Walk to School week, which we are keen to promote with our children. We would encourage you to walk to school with your child and discuss potential hazards such as driveways, parked cars, junctions etc. along the way. It is also a great opportunity for you to have a chat with them about their day. Every class will work collectively to make as many active journeys to school as possible across the week.

If you don't have time to walk or live too far from the school to walk the whole way, consider parking some way away from the school such as in Wickham Square or the recreation ground and walk from there. For those children who travel on the school mini bus from Knowle the walk to the bus stop will count towards their participation. Walking to school with your child gives you the opportunity to teach important road safety skills which cannot be taught in a car.

## Wickham Parish Magazine

The October edition of the Wickham Parish Magazine can be accessed using the following link: Parish Magazine

#### **Cycle 300 Challenge Success**



Last weekend, Mr Cutter (senior), one of our bus drivers, participated in the 24-hour Portsmouth Relay for Life, in aid of Cancer Research UK. He also signed himself up for another challenge: to cycle 300 miles over the month of September. Mr Cutter has been cycling around the local area with distances of up to 30 miles in one ride. He finally reached his target this week and has raised just over £1,000 for Cancer Research UK. Well done Mr Cutter!

### **School Lunch Menu**

Next week we have made some changes to the school menu (please see below). We are very excited that the children will be joined on Thursday lunchtime by some very special guests - Captain Ketchup and Madame Mustard!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Meat Option	Pork Sausages, mashed potato and gravy.	Chicken curry with a blend of brown and white rice	Sliced beef and Yorkshire pudding.	Baked fish fingers and chips.	Pork sausages and chips.
Veggie Option	Gnocchi in a tomato, basil and spinach sauce.	Free range omelette with diced potatoes.	Veggie goujons.	Margherita pizza.	Roasted Vegetable lasagne.
Street Option	Tuna melt served with potato crispers and veg.	Beef Burger with potato portion and salad.	Jacket potato with beans and cheese.	Veggie burger with potato portion.	Meatball sub.

#### **Key Information and Reminders**

- Payments for the Year 3/4 Butser Farm trip are now due please pay online.
- Payments for the Year 5/6 Tangmere Aviation Museum are due by Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October.
- If your child develops Covid-19 symptoms at home, they should <u>stay at home</u> and you should book a PCR test for them. Lateral flow tests should not to be used for an individual who is showing symptoms.
- If your child develops Covid-19 symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test as soon as possible.

## **Dates for your Diary**

Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival and Badgers class trip to Tangmere Aviation Museum
Monday 18th October	Squirrels class trip to Tangmere Aviation Museum
Thursday 21st October	Foxes class trip to Tangmere Aviation Museum
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Closing Date for Year 7 admission
25 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	INSET day
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Otters and Kingfishers trip to Butser Farm (new date)