

The Bishops' School News



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Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

MEGA, MIGHTY, MINI BEASTS

The Year 2s have given us wonderfully expressive performances of Mega, Mighty, Mini Beasts this week. They looked fantastic in their costumes and did themselves proud!

We hope those of you who were able to attend enjoyed the show and well done to all your children.



*Live Fully, Laugh Often, Learn Deeply,
Love as God Loves You and Let Your Light Shine*



Warm Weather Ahead



Air Conditioners

We are so grateful for the three which are coming into school, and we will manage without closing (we hope!) or needing you to collect your children – but if you have one that we could borrow during the daytimes, please think about our hot classrooms!

PTFA Inflatables Day

The PTFA are hoping that the Inflatables Event will be able to go ahead and we will let you know as soon as we can if not. Please read their instructions for suitable clothing, and please apply sun cream and let your children bring in named sunglasses.

Year 2 Mini Games

On Tuesday we took all 60 Year 2 children to the Chelmsford Mini Games

Competition. It was a fabulous afternoon.

The children showed such respectful and kind behaviour and supported each other at all times. They all worked really hard on every activity and, as a school, we achieved third place on the day. Well done everyone!



Also, well done to Olivia, Darcey and Rielle who achieved third place medals for the girls and George who achieved first place for the boys.



CELEBRATION CONCERT 🎵

The Bishops' Concert last Friday, moved at the last minute from Christ Church to the air-conditioned theatre at Boswells (we are hugely grateful to them), was a fantastic time enjoyed by everyone.

The school choirs sang wonderfully, including the Community Choir, we enjoyed memorable performances on piano, drums and guitar, we had the treat of dancing from the sisters Izzy (ex-pupil) and Olivia, beautiful singing from Eleanora (again an ex-pupil) and almost finally enjoyed the magic of Britain's Got Talent Stars Nenneth and Elizabeth Lyons.







GREAT WORK AROUND SCHOOL



Around school it's lovely to see Art Club children busy painting shell watercolours, Rugby Club learning skills and tactics, Year 1 sunflower sculptures, and it's been great to see children's work and achievements during the week, too.



Please ensure that you are pre-ordering your child's meals on Scopay by 1pm each Friday, 9 days in advance of when meals are served.

We appreciate that this is a new system and that the demands of everyday life can get in the way. However, we have sent out many reminders about this already and the pre-ordering process helps to prevent a lot of confusion on the day and a lot of wasted food.

Thank you.

ROCKSTEADY CONCERT

We have also enjoyed the first Rock Steady Concert with Kirsty's four groups – it's really exciting to see all the progress these children have made since they started.



New Classes Next Year

Parents of Foundation Stage and Year 3 pupils will know that we are mixing up the current children's classes and we are looking forward to letting you know what those classes will be next Tuesday afternoon.

All of the other classes will be staying as they are, and we will let all of you know who your child's next class teachers are on Tuesday afternoon as well.

Exhibition evening the following day will give you a great opportunity to meet the new teachers and visit the new classrooms.

ART EXHIBITION



We are very much looking forward to Exhibition Evening next Wednesday which is also the evening of our Art Exhibition in the church over the road.

More details about this will be sent out next Monday.

It will be a special opportunity to see and purchase your children's framed masterpieces.

Increased Prices

Due to increasing costs, we are unfortunately having to put up the price of Little Fingers sessions with effect from 1st September 2026.

We have tried to keep these as low as possible and in line with other schools that provide out-of-hours care.

- ◆ **Breakfast club will increase from £4.50 to £5.00**
- ◆ **After school club will increase from £13 to £14.50**
- ◆ **A late collection charge of £15 will remain the same**



Thank you for your understanding. As always, if you have any queries or concerns regarding payment then please contact the office in confidence.

LIBRARY BOOKS

Please be aware that the School Library will be closing for this year on
Friday 10th July.

Please return all books by this date at the latest.
Thank you.



A VERY WELL DONE TO...



Ella attended her netball club, Brookshaw, presentation evening on Friday and came away with 'Most Improved Player' for the season for her team.

This is Ella's first season with Brookshaw and she has worked very hard to achieve this award.

In addition to this, Ella, Eliza & Phoebe and the rest of their team, Crusha Black, won the U10 division 1 league this year. Ella's mum says that the girls are amazing and the team has a very bright future ahead.

Well done to you all.



Rescheduled!

3D Printed Items and Bracelet Sale!

★ **Tuesday 7th July** ★

Years 1 to 6 · Break time, by the Year 6 Block

3D Printed Items

50p - £2.00



**Raising money
for**

**Essex Retired
Police Dogs**



Handmade Beaded Bracelets

£1.00



Thank you for
helping my
retired friends.



Organised by Oscar T (6FG)

Community News

The [Community News Page](#) of our website has lots of information about activities, events and support available locally including:

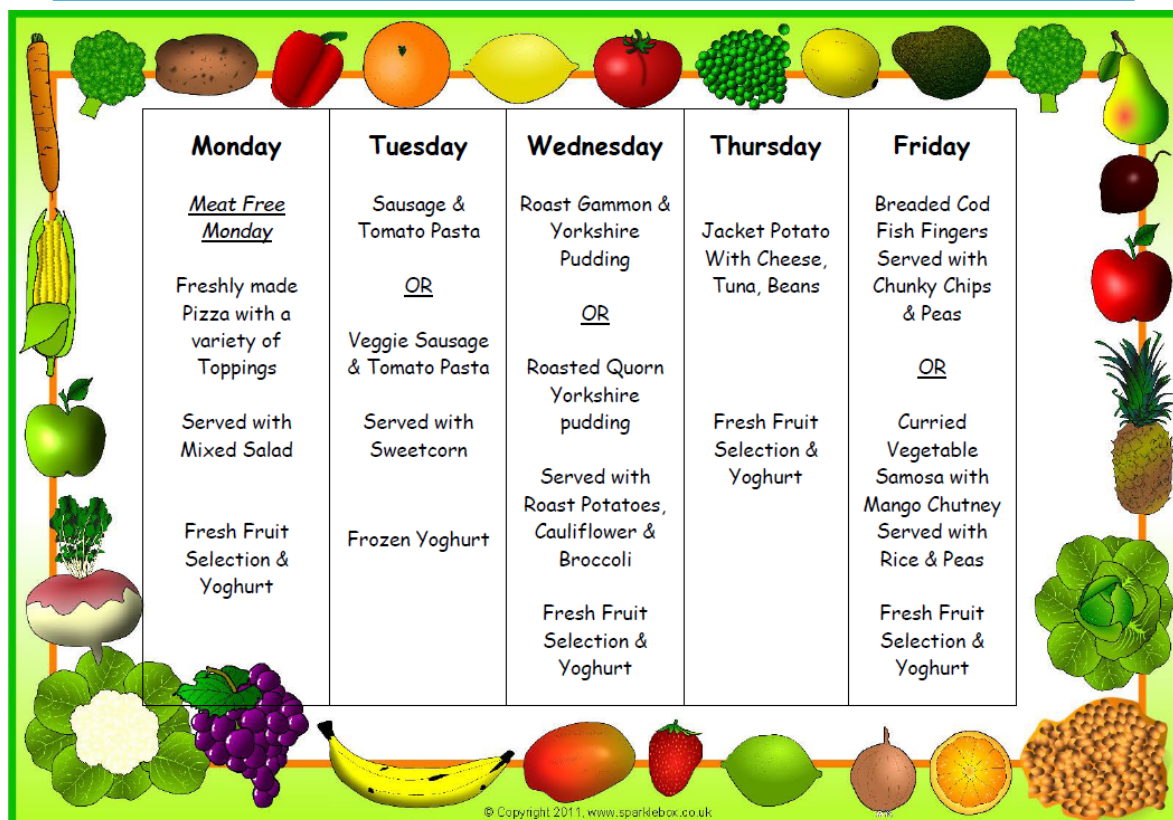
- * **Support for parents/carers**
- * **Free Family Learning Courses**
- * **Local church events**
- * **Holiday camps/activities**
- * **Music workshops/shows**
- * **Sports clubs and activities**
- * **Performing arts**
- * **Swimming Lessons**



**Check it
out!**

Please find below dinner menus for the following two weeks for your reference.
Please remember to pre-order meals by 1pm each Friday 9 days before meals are served and to input an 'S' code for 'Sandwiches' if your child is having a packed lunch.

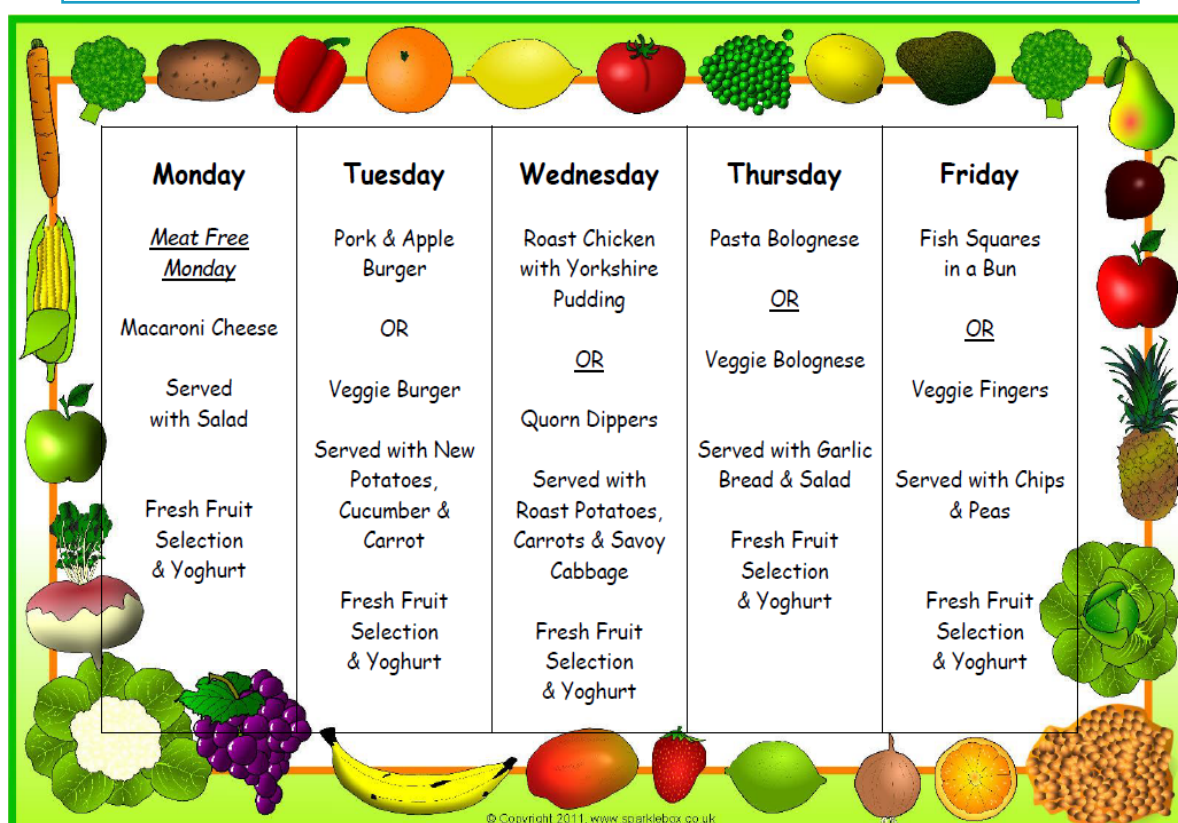
Lunch Menu for Week Beginning Monday 6th July



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<u>Meat Free Monday</u>	Sausage & Tomato Pasta	Roast Gammon & Yorkshire Pudding	Jacket Potato With Cheese, Tuna, Beans	Breaded Cod Fish Fingers Served with Chunky Chips & Peas
Freshly made Pizza with a variety of Toppings	<u>OR</u> Veggie Sausage & Tomato Pasta	<u>OR</u> Roasted Quorn Yorkshire pudding	Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt	<u>OR</u> Curried Vegetable Samosa with Mango Chutney Served with Rice & Peas
Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Sweetcorn	Served with Roast Potatoes, Cauliflower & Broccoli		Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt
Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt	Frozen Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt		

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Lunch Menu for Week Beginning Monday 13th July



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<u>Meat Free Monday</u>	Pork & Apple Burger	Roast Chicken with Yorkshire Pudding	Pasta Bolognese	Fish Squares in a Bun
Macaroni Cheese	<u>OR</u> Veggie Burger	<u>OR</u> Quorn Dippers	<u>OR</u> Veggie Bolognese	<u>OR</u> Veggie Fingers
Served with Salad	Served with New Potatoes, Cucumber & Carrot	Served with Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Savoy Cabbage	Served with Garlic Bread & Salad	Served with Chips & Peas
Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt

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Looking Ahead



Monday 6th July: KS1 SMASH Festival (sel chn) at CVHS, 1 to 2.45pm

Tuesday 7th July: Church for Grp1 led by Owl Class, 9.10am;
Oscar's 3D Printing & Bracelet Sale for KS1/KS2 at breaktime,
in aid of Retired Essex Police Dogs;
Choir Concert for Year 6 Choir parents in the hall, 1.45pm

Wednesday 8th July: Exhibition Evening in school, 3.30 to 5.15pm ,
Usborne Book Sale in the courtyard, 3.30 to 5pm, and
Art Exhibition at St Augustine Church, 3.30 to 5.30pm

Thursday 9th July: PTFA Inflatable Day on the parish field in the school day

Saturday 11th July: Year 6 Leavers' Wildnerness Foundation Activities, 1 to 4pm



Monday 13th July:

Year 6 Performance to Parents of ***Oliver With a Twist*** in the hall, 1.30pm;
Children's reports home to parents



Tuesday 14th July: Church for Grp2 led by Year 1, 9.10am; Move Up Morning;
Rocksteady Concert for Tuesday groups in the hall, 1.45pm ;
Year 6 Performance to Parents of ***Oliver With a Twist*** in the hall, 7pm

Wednesday 15th July: Year 2 trip to Promenade Park in Maldon, 9.15am to 3.15pm

Thursday 16th July: Leavers' Anointing Service in St Augustine Church, 9.15 to 10.30am

Friday 17th July: Last Day of Term

Monday 20th July to Wednesday 2nd September: Summer Holidays



Thursday 3rd September:

First Day of the Autumn Term, Back to School for Yrs 1-6



Please advise the office....thank you.



Illness & medical absences & aptmts / lates:

By email to absence@bishops.essex.sch.uk in advance **or** by 9am

Leave of absences: By LOA pink form in advance, or email to absence@bishops.essex.sch.uk

Collection Changes: By email by noon, after this urgent messages only by phone by 2.30pm

Notification forms: Available on our website: bishops.essex.sch.uk, Parents and Notify Us

All other general enquiries: Email: admin@bishops.essex.sch.uk / Tel: 01245 460107

Please state your child's class in all communications with us, thank you.