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Friday 12th April 2024

Dear Parents/Carers



An exciting start to the summer term this week with some of our year groups having Kickboxing taster sessions. A huge thank you to Team Davey Kickboxing for providing these free sessions, the children really enjoyed them.



PARENT CONSULTATIONS

A huge thank you to all families who attended parent consultations this week. It was wonderful to see so many of you in school chatting with staff about the progress your children are making. Feedback from staff was very positive and they valued being able to share children's learning journeys. Nursery parent consultations also started this week and will continue next week.

85% of families from Reception to Year 6 attended parent consultations.

By the end of next week, year group learning placemats will be sent to all families.

MIGHTY FOOD WASTE MISSION

JOIN THE MIGHTY FOOD WASTE MISSION

Can you think of a healthy meal or snack using an item at risk of being wasted? Create a dish so delicious that everyone will clean their plates.

STEP 1
Choose an item that is sometimes wasted in your house, or one of the most commonly wasted food items across households in Wales.

STEP 2
Think of a healthy meal or snack idea that includes this item. You can combine it with other ingredients that you might find at home.

STEP 3
Use the Recipes to the rescue! poster template to create a recipe poster!

Use these recipe ideas for inspiration:

- Jazzed-up pan omelette
- Roast chicken fajita
- One pot pasta
- Epic cheese toastie
- Yoghurt sundae

Don't forget, the items of food that can't be eaten – such as inedible peels and stalks – can be recycled into renewable energy!

Think about what else might help you make a meal. Here are some store cupboard item ideas:

- Tinned tomatoes
- Herbs and spices
- Beans
- Pasta
- Fresh fruits or vegetables
- Butter or oil
- Flour
- Eggs

Commonly wasted food items:

- Bananas
- Potatoes
- Carrots
- Leeks
- Courgettes
- Peppers
- Bread
- Chicken

Share your recipe at www.walesrecycles.org.uk/families by 30 April 2024 for a chance to win a PRIZE.

As a Platinum Eco School, we have the opportunity to get involved with the Mighty Food Waste mission. It highlights the importance of reducing food waste and recycling in fun and engaging ways. We are inviting families to participate in a competition by designing recipe posters using commonly wasted foods, with prizes including food hampers for families and books for schools. Share your recipe at www.walesrecycles.org.uk/families by 30 April 2024 for a chance to win a PRIZE.

A link to the recipe poster template will be text to all families. You can also ask Miss Bodger for a copy of the template if you would like a paper copy.

#NOT IN MISS OUT - STRIVE FOR 95% - #striveto95% #notinmissout

From next Monday, you will receive a more in-depth weekly data analysis linked to attendance. After monitoring attendance all year, we have made the decision to change how we will reward the top three classes for good attendance each week. Children will no longer wear their own clothes to school on a Friday but will take part in a fun Friday afternoon session in school (Golden Time). Good attendance in school is vitally important!

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT – BABIES AND TODDLER EVENT

This week, a link was sent to families asking if they would be interested in a 'Babies and Toddler' session at school. We have received a very positive response about this event. The session will take place on Friday 19th April at 2:30pm by invite only (linked to the survey results). These invites will be text to you next week.

The aim of these sessions is to get to know other families with children of similar ages, have a chat over a cup of tea and to discuss if there is any support you would like us to look in to. Helping Hands R Us have donated baby and toddler items but have also shared other items they would be able to deliver to school if you need anything, for example, clothing, baby food, push chairs etc.

COMMUNITY LINKS

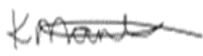


HEADTEACHER CERTIFICATE

The headteacher certificate goes to Bella Cutter from Reception. She has the biggest smile, is always polite and very positive. She brightens my day!

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards


K. Manley