

Happy Thursday!

Hello everyone. We have made it to the end of a very busy half-term. This week, **Year Six** enjoyed a trip to **St James' Park**. It was a pretty good time to visit the **stadium** on the back of a **trophy win** and a few days before the **massive match** on Sunday - hopefully the **Champions League** anthem is blasting out at **St James'** in the **Autumn!** After half-term, our **Year One** children will be completing their **Phonics Screening Check** while Year Four children will be doing their **Multiplication Tables Check**. Both of these **assessments** are completed by children across the country in June each year. It would be helpful if **Year One** parents/carers spent **five minutes** a day reading with their children over the break. Likewise, a few minutes each day on **TTRS** for our **Year Four** children will help to keep these important **skills fresh** over the half-term break. Most importantly though, I hope you are all able to relax and enjoy family time over the next week. We look forward to welcoming you back to school on **Monday 2nd June**. Many thanks, Mr Routledge

Newcastle United Visit

Yesterday, our **Year Six** children headed to **St James' Park** as part of our work with the **Newcastle United Foundation**. The children enjoyed a tour of the stadium which included a look in the **changing rooms**, the **media suite** and **pitchside**. The highlight for many was being able to sit in the **dugout** where **Eddie Howe** and the players spend every match day! The very **large, posh** home **changing room** had the players' shirts and kit lined up and children were able to sit next to where their favourite players prepare for a match. Needless to say, **Bruno, Isak** and **Big Dan Burn** were particularly popular **spots**! Then, back in school, they enjoyed a circuit of **multi skills** delivered by **three coaches** from the **foundation**. The feedback was brilliant and children loved their end of term treat.



NUFC Foundation Club - Year Five

We will be running a new **after school club** starting on Monday 2nd June. The **Newcastle United Foundation** will be in school every **Monday** for seven school weeks (see below) from **3:15** until **4:15**. This club will be offered to children in **Year Five** and will cost **£10** for **seven sessions**. The list is currently full but you can ring the school office after **half-term** to put your name on the **reserve list**.



*The main focus of this club is to develop **skills** to be applied into the game of football. The **Newcastle United Foundation** have experienced coaches that will provide children with engaging lessons to excel on the pitch.*

Book Fair

A reminder will be selling books from **Tuesday 3rd June** to **Monday 9th June** in the school yard at **3.15**. There will be lots of exciting titles to choose from. Payments can be made in cash. There is an option to scan a **QR code** which will require a **payment card**. School will earn **rewards** from sales which means we can add more lovely books to our school **library**.



Tiny Tasters

This week, our **Tiny Tasters** group cooked up a storm in the school hall. It was **Mighty Meatballs** on the menu this week and they certainly looked **delicious** when they came out of the oven. **Tiny tasters** support our children to learn the basic principles of a **healthy** and **varied** diet. The children enjoyed finding out how to make their meatballs by following their **recipe cards** and were able to fry their **meatballs** with the help of their grown ups.

Doodle Maths

We'd like to **invite** children in **Reception**, **Year One** and **Year Two** to take part in our 'Doodle Maths Wristband Challenge'. To win a wristband, children need to earn enough stars to be in the Green Zone over the May Half Term holiday and the week after (ending **Monday 9th June 2025**). We find that the best approach is to use the app every day in short, sharp bursts! Accessing the app for **5 to 10 minutes** every day is the best way to **earn stars** and to get to (and **remain** in!) the **Green Zone**. Children should answer questions **independently**. Doodle software is 'smart.' It assesses what children know and what they need to practise to become **stronger**, more **confident** mathematicians. Good luck!



On the Menu After Half Term . . .

Week Two	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Course	Chicken Goujons/Veggie Nuggets Homemade Tuna and Sweetcorn Pasta Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)	Sausage/Veggie Sausage in a Bun Fish Goujons Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings)	Homemade Chicken Fajitas Cheese* Melt Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)	Gammon/Veggie Roast and Yorkshire Pudding Homemade Tomato and Basil Pasta Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings)	Baked Sausage Roll or Cheese Roll Breaded Fish Portion Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)
Potatoes/Pasta/Rice	Potato Wedges or Crusty Bread	Mini Waffles	New Potatoes	Roast Potatoes or Crusty Bread	Chips
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables
Salad Bar	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad
Desserts	Meringue Nest with Fruit (Dairy Free)	Fruit Jelly (Vegetarian)	Cheese*, Biscuit and Grapes	Shortbread Biscuits (Dairy Free) and a Cup of Milk	School Pudding of the Day (Dairy Free Available)

*Dairy Free Cheese Available