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Dear Parents/Carers,

## School Lunches

Please see the options for school lunches for the week commencing 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022:

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Day	Main Course		Dessert <i>(also daily choice of fruit or yoghurt)</i>
Monday	Option 1	Pizza Bolognaise	Fruit crumble & custard
	Option 2	Broccoli & cheese bake	
Shrove Tuesday	Option 1	Minced Beef & Potato Pie	Pancake and Syrup
	Option 2	Jacket Potato and Beans	
Wednesday	Option 1	Roast turkey dinner with sage & onion stuffing	Rice pudding & fruit
	Option 2	Quorn dippers and wedges	
Thursday	Option 1	Sausage & mash	Paris Sandwich <i>(shortbread and jam)</i>
	Option 2	Meatless Sub (hot sandwich) & veg	
Friday	Option 1	Crispy battered fish & chips	Iced berry sponge
	Option 2	Cheese & tomato pasta bake	

## Reading, Phonics and Spellings Information Sessions

Thank you to all that were able to attend the reading, phonics and spelling information sessions this week. It was great to be able to meet face to face again, to share with you our approaches to teaching these crucial skills in school and to discuss and gather an understanding of parental perspectives and challenges around supporting reading and spelling at home too.

As you will know, this academic year, the school, supported by the PTA, have invested considerably in the Little Wandle Letters and Sounds to ensure our provision reflects the current educational thinking and research around effective practice in Phonics and Early Reading.

Our spending priorities, so far, have focused on providing all members of staff with training on the scheme and purchasing the resources and books needed to teach the programme in school and an E Collins library subscription. Whilst we are very pleased with the progress children are making in school within the new phonics scheme, we share your desire to provide our EYFS and KS1 children with the physical reading books, which match their secure phonic knowledge, to bring home. The books really are lovely but can currently only be offered through the E Collins library- we have six copies of each book and need these to be in school to teach our groups.

We will consider possible options next half-term but, in the meantime, please do try to provide your child with an opportunity to 'showcase' their learning by logging into the e-library and allowing them to read their most recent books to you.

Children will continue to bring home a 'sharing book' from our class libraries each week. We know that for children to become lifelong readers, it is essential that they read for pleasure. Children may not be able to read their 'sharing book' independently, but these books offer a wealth of opportunities for talking about the pictures, developing their vocabulary and enjoying the story or information text, which is so valuable. Simply enjoy the book together and help them to foster a love of reading.

### **Further information about our World Book Day Sponsored Read 2022!**

To celebrate and encourage a lifelong love of reading at home and school, we are running a sponsored read between the Monday 28th February – Monday 7th March.

The project is being organised in conjunction with our Usborne Partner, Danielle Johnson and all the money raised will go towards brand new books for our school.

In addition to the sponsorship money, Usborne will also donate up to 60% of the total raised in EXTRA FREE BOOKS to the school. So, for every £600 raised, we will get an extra £360 in FREE Usborne books

Please help us to enhance our reading resources for pupils by encouraging your child to spend a small amount of time each day either reading to themselves, to others, or being read to. They can read books, comics, magazines, newspapers, menus, websites, recipes, poems, leaflets, instructions – anything with words!

If you are able to support our sponsored read, please find enclosed a sponsorship form and reading log for your child if they wish to use it to record their reading.

Please can all sponsor money be returned to school by the Friday 11th March. Any money raised should be sent in either as cash or by cheque made payable to SYMAT.

We look forward to having many more books for your child to read, share and enjoy.

**Also, don't forget that on World Book Day this year (Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022), we would like the children to dress up as an adjective!**

Thank you for your support with this.

Kind regards,  
Miss Dickenson

### **Our House Point System**

In 2018, our school council worked with the pupil body to introduce a new house point system throughout the school.

They decided that, on entry to school, all pupils would be allocated to one of four houses: Craven (Green), Rowntree (Yellow), Terry (Blue) or Tuke (Red). The houses were named after famous confectioners in the York area.

House points form a part of our whole school reward system at Dunnington CE Primary School. Events, such as sports day, bring children together to compete in their houses. The house system encourages a team ethos across the school and allows children of all ages to have a common goal.

Whilst good behaviour and a positive attitude to learning is expected, our house points are used to reward children for 'taking that extra step' for example;

- Helping and caring for others,
- High levels of enthusiasm, courtesy, collaboration or cooperation,
- Persevering with a challenge,
- Striving to improve.

Each half term, we count up the number of house points and provide the leading house with a small treat/incentive e.g. a non-uniform day, additional playtime etc

The competition is currently very close but congratulations to all in Terry House who lead as we break up for February half-term.

Craven	134 House Points	Terry	135 House Points
Rowntree	126 House Points	Tuke	115 House Points

### **MSAs needed for Dunnington CE Primary**

We are seeking to recruit Midday Supervisory Assistants to join our lunchtime team. We are looking for kind, caring and supportive individuals with a good sense of humour and the ability to display initiative. Key responsibilities include:

- Maintaining a calm environment in the dining room.
- Providing a positive role model for our children
- Encouraging and leading playground games
- Positively managing behaviour and helping children to resolve conflict following our behaviour code.

Please contact our school office 01904 552910 or [dunningtonprimary.school@york.gov.uk](mailto:dunningtonprimary.school@york.gov.uk) for further information if you think this may be of interest.

### **Safeguarding- Five Minute Reads for Parents**

Please find attached a Five Minute Read on Loot Boxes and Skins Betting in Online Games

Thank you for your continued support over the past half-term. I hope you all have a relaxing holiday and look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February.

With very best wishes,



Caroline Hancy

### Attachments

- 'Ready, Steady Read' Reading Log
- 'Ready, Steady Read' Sponsor Form
- Loot Boxes and Skins Betting in Online Games