

## Reception's First Lunchtime

From Monday 14th to Friday 18th September, the Reception children stayed for lunch for the first time! With a fresh look at the lunch time experience, they found the event fascinating as they explored the different daily vegetables on the menu and even formed new friendships by expressing their personal favourites.







### International Literacy Day

Tuesday 8th September was celebrated as International Literacy Day. In celebration of this observance, the Nursery children were completely engrossed as they listened to compelling stories delivered by a student from De Salis Studio College via virtual recording. The children remained enthralled by the reading which expanded their imaginations as they embarked on a journey into the unknown!



## Reception - Changes to the Pick Up Time

We would like to remind all parents, guardians and carers of Reception children that there will be a change to the pick up time from Monday 21st September. **Children will now be staying full time which means they will finish school at 3:30pm.** Please make sure that you collect your child on time from Collection Point 1, where the children will be dismissed. If they are having hot dinners, please pre-order on IPay; otherwise, they should bring in a healthy packed lunch.

## Applying for Secondary School September 2021

We would like to inform all parents, guardians and carers of children born between 1st September 2009 and 31st August 2010 that the closing date for applications for Secondary School places to be received by the London Borough of Hillingdon, by post or online, is **Saturday 31st October 2020.**

To ensure your application arrives on time and in order to give your child the best possible chance of being offered the school of your choice, we would advise that you submit your applications no later than Friday 23rd October to ensure that it is received by the published deadline. Further information can be found on [www.hillingdon.gov.uk/secondary](http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/secondary) or by telephoning the School Placement and Admission Team at the Civic Centre, Uxbridge on 01895 556644. You will receive information with regard to applying for your child starting secondary school shortly.

## Easter Activity Programme - Deposits

Due to the Easter Activity Programme being cancelled last year, we have arranged for all deposits to be refunded to all the families that registered for this. You can collect your deposits from the School Office.

## Non-invasion Thermal Cameras

The School has taken a collaborative approach to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our pupils during these unprecedented times. In conjunction with the measures already implemented around the site to mitigate and manage the risk of COVID-19 transmission, the School has also installed a non-invasive thermal camera to check the temperatures of pupils as they enter the site.

We will continue to keep our plans for a safer school up to date and will review the changes made around the site regularly.

## Free School Meals - Application Process

'Free School Meals' is a statutory means-tested benefit, which provides a child with meals at school for free. If you believe your child may be newly entitled to this benefit, or if they received it last year and you would like to reapply, please attend the School Office and request an application form.

The School Office will also be able to advise any parents, guardians or carers who are unfamiliar with the process for claiming 'Free School Meals'. The Free School Meals benefit does not automatically renew; it must be reapplied for each academic year. It is important to note that until your child has been confirmed as receiving the Free School Meals benefit, their school lunches must be paid for.

## Primary School Admissions 2021

We would like to inform all parents, guardians and carers of children born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 that the closing date for applications for Primary School places to be received by the London Borough of Hillingdon, by post or online, is midnight on **Friday 15th January 2021.** To ensure your application arrives on time and in order to give your child the best possible chance of being offered the school of your choice, we would advise that you submit your applications prior to the Christmas holiday period.

The London Borough of Hillingdon states on their website that they cannot be held responsible for any delays in applications due to problems with postal or Internet service providers. Further information can be found on [www.hillingdon.gov.uk/primary](http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/primary) or by telephoning the School Placement and Admission Team at the Civic Centre, Uxbridge on 01895 556644.

## Coronavirus-related Absences

Due to the level of absences from school this term, we would like to inform parents, guardians and carers that children must not be sent to school if they have a high temperature during the night or in the morning.

Although we do understand that parents need to go to work, the government's guidelines state that all children with a fever, persistent cough or loss/change to their sense of smell or taste must take a coronavirus (COVID-19) test or self-isolate for 10 days (others in the household 14 days).

Please can all parents, guardians and carers adhere to these guidelines to ensure that the School population does not get infected.

# HOW TO PROPERLY WASH YOUR HANDS

HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19



1  
WET HANDS



2  
USE SOAP



3  
PALM TO PALM



4  
FINGERS INTERLACED



5  
BACK OF HANDS



6  
BASE OF THUMBS



7  
FINGERNAILS



8  
WRIST



9  
RINSE HANDS WITH WATER



10  
DRY HANDS WITH TOWEL



## Lunches on iPay

Over the summer holidays, we had launched our new cashless system where parents, guardians and carers were each given a reference code via letter to set up their children's accounts. You may have noticed that individual lunch prices have changed to **£2.40** per day (£12.00 for the whole week). We would like to encourage parents, guardians and carers to pre-order their child's lunch for the week, either selecting packed lunch or the school dinner choice of that day (Halal, Non-Halal or Vegetarian). The lunch option will be displayed on the iPay account in case you are unsure of what is being served for that day. We would like to thank all families that have already registered their account. If you are experiencing any problems, please speak with a member of staff in the School Office who will be able to help with this.

## Drop-Off and Collection Times

### Drop off and Collection Point 1:

Year 6 – 8:30am / 3:00pm

Year 5 – 8:45am / 3:15pm

Reception – 9:00am / 3:30pm

Reception children finish at 1:30pm from Monday 14th to Friday 18th September.

Drop Off and Collection Point 1: enter through the pedestrian gate at the School's car park (left-hand side) and wait in the car park area for the children to be collected or dismissed via the main hall.

### Drop off and Collection Point 2:

Year 1 – 8:45am / 3:15pm

Nursery – 8:30am to 11:30am / 12:30pm to 3:30pm

Drop Off and Collection Point 2: enter through the main front gate (at the front of the School) where the children will be collected or dismissed from the front entrance of the School.

### Drop off and Collection Point 3:

Year 2 – 8:30am / 3:00pm


Year 3 – 8:45am / 3:15pm

Year 4 – 9:00am / 3:30pm

Drop Off and Collection Point 3: enter through the De Salis Studio College side gate (right-hand side) where we would like all parents, guardians and carers to enter the School grounds and wait on the green grass area for the children to be collected or dismissed via the library.

## Updating Email Addresses

Please can all parents, guardians and carers ensure that we have an email address on the School system for both parents as we would like to send out further communication via email. You can either email the School account with this information or fill out the contact details form at the School Office. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

	
<b>OCTOBER 2020</b>	
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Thursday 1st	Hearing and Vision Screening - Reception

	
<b>Week Commencing: Monday 21st September</b>	
<b>MENU 3</b>	
<b>MONDAY</b>	
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy <b>Halal</b>
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy <b>Non Halal</b>
Meal Choice 3	Vegetarian Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy <b>Vegetarian</b>
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Pork Sausages with Mashed Potatoes without Milk or Butter <b>Gluten/Dairy Free</b>
Dessert Choice	Orange Jelly <i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	
Meal Choice 1	Beef Lasagne with Fresh Salad <b>Halal</b>
Meal Choice 2	Beef Lasagne with Fresh Salad <b>Non Halal</b>
Meal Choice 3	Vegetarian Lasagne with Fresh Salad <b>Vegetarian</b>
Meal Choice 4	Minced Beef with Gluten free Pasta <b>Gluten/Dairy Free</b>
Dessert Choice	Chocolate Mousse <i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	
Meal Choice 1	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice <b>Halal</b>
Meal Choice 2	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice <b>Non Halal</b>
Meal Choice 3	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings <b>Vegetarian</b>
Meal Choice 4	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice <b>Gluten/Dairy Free</b>
Dessert Choice	Apple Crumble <i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	
Meal Choice 1	Cajun Chicken in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa <b>Halal</b>
Meal Choice 2	Cajun Chicken in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa <b>Non Halal</b>
Meal Choice 3	Roast Mediterranean Vegetables in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa <b>Vegetarian</b>
Meal Choice 4	Cajun Chicken with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa <b>Gluten/Dairy Free</b>
Dessert Choice	Vanilla Sponge with a Pineapple Ring and a Cherry <i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with Oven Baked Potato Wedges <b>Halal</b>
Meal Choice 2	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with Oven Baked Potato Wedges <b>Non Halal</b>
Meal Choice 3	Macaroni Cheese <b>Vegetarian</b>
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans <b>Gluten/Dairy Free</b>
Dessert Choice	Chocolate Brownie Tray Bake <i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>
<b>Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day</b>	

## Ordering Uniform

We would like to inform all parents, guardians and carers that once your order has been processed on the iPay system, our finance team will work on getting this order ready (please allow 3 to 4 days). All orders can be collected from the School Office by the parent, guardian or carer. If you need an exchange or refund, you can arrange this at the School Office. Please remember to return the item in the original packaging with the labels still attached. Exchanges may take a couple of days to process. Thank you for your patience at this time, while we process all orders.

## iPayimact Issues

As you are aware, we have recently introduced iPayimact which is an online payment system for lunch and uniform orders. As with any new platform, we are experiencing some delays in processing requests and we ask for your patience as we work with the providers to correct all issues. We ask that you continue to raise these issues with us so we can resolve them in a timely manner. Thank you for your continued support and patience in this matter.