

Temple Meadow Newsletter

Friday 21st January 2022



Dear Parents/Carers

We're now in full swing as we conclude week 3 of the spring term and children have been working hard to earn DoJo Praise Points. Hopefully you will have received an activation letter for the Class DoJo app and have been able to celebrate their achievements with them. If you need further assistance in using the app or need another activation letter, please contact the school office.

This week, Miss Evans held a virtual assembly to celebrate the arrival of a whole range of new books in our school library. Please see further information from Miss Evans within this newsletter.

5 Pullman have this week been swimming; it is lovely to see our pupils being able to access this provision again.

Unfortunately, we continue to have some whole-school disruptions linked to pupil and staff absences due to COVID. All staff have continued to pull together to ensure that children are receiving high quality learning.

We have this week been made aware that some parents are not respecting the queuing systems during handover at the end of the school day. Staff will continue to monitor the situation but we do ask that parents individually support us with this request.

Looking ahead to next week, the school photographers will be in school on Thursday 27th January 2022. For more information regarding this, please refer to the letter that was sent out yesterday.

As you will be aware, Mrs Porter left us at Christmas and I am so excited to have picked up the role of Special Education Needs and Disabilities Co-Ordinator. Over the last two weeks, I have been meeting with all year group teachers to review and plan appropriate provision for every child on the SEND register for the spring term. I will be sharing updated provision maps with parents over the coming weeks to ensure that you have opportunity to share your parent views. We are extremely proud of how we support all of our pupils, including those with special educational needs. On Wednesday evening, staff received some professional development from Inclusion Support who acknowledged how as a school we go above and beyond to meet the needs of individuals. I have personally heard some lovely interactions recently where staff have been supporting pupils with their emotional regulation.

Mrs Bayley continues to do an excellent job with working with the eco committee. The committee have been busy working on their third mission and have been monitoring the amaryllis bulbs that they have planted. They have been really excited to see these plants grow and are now very happy that they have begun to blossom. They have been applying their mathematical skills and the tallest is currently is 60cm! You can see some images of the them below.

Finally, a huge thanks to all of our staff who continue to go the extra mile in challenging circumstances.



Best regards and stay safe, Mrs Van Straaten—Deputy Headteacher



Other News

Parent lite

We use the SIMS Parent Lite app to update data that we hold in school for your child.

Available on iOS, Android and via web browser, the SIMS Parent Lite app provides a convenient and accessible solution for parents to electronically review and request changes to the data held on them and their children. These changes will then be communicated directly through to the school office and our management information system will then be updated.

Please ensure that you check your child's information is up-to-date. It is essential that your contact information is kept up to date and it is your responsibility to inform the school office of any changes to your details.

New Reading Books

We are so excited to celebrate with you our new books that have been launched this week. These include books for our library and the Early Years and Key Stage 1 book corners.

In Autumn term, the children were given the opportunity in each class to communicate books of their interest and their favourite authors.

Here are some of the books that the children asked for in Key Stage 2.

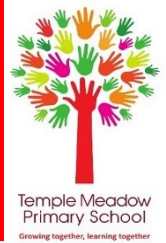
We have also replenished the orange Big Cat book band with more titles. To celebrate equality and job stereotypes, we have replenished our Big Cat books with some of the titles below:

Learning 4 Life – Aiming High

This half term in our Learning 4 Life lessons our theme is Aiming High. Through these lessons, we will be exploring jobs, careers and the world of work. This will include exploring different paths into work and jobs, skills and qualities needed to perform a range of jobs and the duties, equipment and uniform involved. To end this unit of work, we will be holding a careers day on Friday 18th February 2022. On this day, pupils are invited to come to school dressed up. Please see the letter sent out yesterday for more details.



Academic Year Term Dates



Spring Term 2022

Half term holiday: Monday 21st February to Friday 25th February 2022

Term ends: Friday 8th April 2022

Easter holiday: Monday 11th April to Friday 22nd April 2022

Summer Term 2022

Term starts: Monday 25th April 2022

Polling Day: Thursday 5th May 2022

Inset Day: Friday 27th May 2022

Half term holiday: Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022

Term ends: Thursday 21st July 2022

Summer holiday: From Friday 22nd July 2022

Autumn Term 2022

Term starts: Monday 5th September 2022

Half-term holiday: Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October 2022

Term ends: Friday 16th December 2022

Christmas holiday: Monday 19th December 2022 to Monday 2nd January 2023

Spring Term 2023

Term starts: Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Half-term holiday: Monday 20th February 2023 to Friday 24th February 2023

Term ends: Friday 31st March 2023

Easter Holiday: Monday 3rd April to Friday 14th April 2023

Summer Term 2023

Term starts: Monday 17th April 2023

Half-term holiday: Monday 29th May 2023 to Friday 2nd June 2023

Term ends: Tuesday 25th July 2023

Summer holiday starts: Wednesday 26th July 2023

Dates for your diary



Thursday 27th January 2022

School Photograph Day

Thursday 27th January 2022

Year 5 Pullman Swimming 1.45-2.15pm

Thursday 3rd February 2022

Year 5 Pullman Swimming 1.45-2.15pm

Thursday 10th February 2022

Year 5 Pullman Swimming 1.45-2.15pm

Wednesday 16th February 2022

EYFS and KS1 Virtual Parents Evening 3.30-6pm

Thursday 17th February 2022

Year 5 Pullman Swimming 1.45-2.15pm

Thursday 17th February 2022

KS2 Virtual Parents Evening 3.30-6pm

Thursday 3rd March 2022

Year 5 Rosen Swimming 1.45-2.15pm

Thursday 3rd March 2022 4-5pm

KS2 SATs Parent Workshop

Thursday 10th March 2022

Year 5 Rosen Swimming 1.45-2.15pm

Thursday 10th March 2022 4-5pm

KS1 SATs Parent Workshop

Friday 11th March 2022-Sunday 20th March 2022

British Science Week

Thursday 17th March 2022

Year 5 Rosen Swimming 1.45-2.15pm

Friday 18th March 2022

Red Nose Day

Thursday 24th March 2022

Year 5 Rosen Swimming 1.45-2.15pm

Friday 25th March 2022

Mothers Day and significant adults Stay and Play

AM Nursery and Reception – 9-10am

PM Nursery – 1-2pm

Thursday 31st March 2022

Year 5 Rosen Swimming 1.45-2.15pm

Thursday 7th April 2022

Year 5 Rosen Swimming 1.45-2.15pm

Friday 8th April 2022

Rhyme Parent Celebration

AM Nursery and Reception – 9-10am

PM Nursery – 12.45-1.45pm

Tuesday 26th April 2022

Welcomm/ Talk Boost Stay and Play

AM Nursery and Reception – 9-10am

PM Nursery – 1-2pm

Tuesday 14th June 2022

Decca in school

Year 2 Medicine session – 1.20-1.50pm

Year 6 Alcohol and Drugs session 2-3pm

Friday 17th June 2022

Father's Day and significant adults Stay and Play

AM Nursery and Reception – 9-10am

PM Nursery – 1-2pm

Friday 8th July 2022

Nursery Sports Day

AM Nursery – 9-10am

PM Nursery – 1-2pm

Wednesday 13th July 2022

Year 6 Safeguarding Day

Thursday 14th July 2022

Rhyme Parent Celebration

AM Nursery and Reception – 9-10am

PM Nursery – 12.45-1.45pm

Friday 15th July 2022 – Nursery Graduation Day

AM Nursery – 11-11.45am

PM Nursery – 2.30-3.20pm

CRADLEY HEATH COMMUNITY LINK THE COVID 19 CLINIC IS HERE!

73 High Street, Cradley Heath, B64 5HA

- Only Pfizer available
- No NHS number needed
- No need to be registered with a GP
- No residential address needed
- Bring your vaccine card if you have already had your first dose
- For people aged 12 and over
- Booster jabs available for eligible groups

SATURDAY 22 JANUARY
10AM – 3PM

PROTECT YOURSELF
PROTECT SANDWELL
GET VACCINATED



HOW DO I BECOME A FOSTER CARER?



Sometimes you don't know 'till you try

The first step is the biggest – and you've probably been thinking about this for a while. Take that first step and contact us to find out more.

You can call us for a chat or drop us an email via the fostering page of our website and we will contact you. Sometimes you don't know 'till you try.

Fostering isn't always easy but can be hugely rewarding. To find out more about becoming a foster carer with Sandwell Children's Trust contact us for an informal chat or to start your journey to become a foster carer.

**Thanks for your interest in fostering
for Sandwell. For more information
contact our friendly team**



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 **Sandwellchildrenstrust**





WHO CAN FOSTER?

Every child who needs fostering in Sandwell is our responsibility.

We are looking for people who can provide a vulnerable child or teenager with a safe and loving home and who will stick with them through the good times and the more difficult times.

Children have many different needs and foster carers, like all families, come in many different shapes and sizes. If you have a spare room in your house and the instinct to care for a child in your heart, and you are over 21 with some experience or knowledge of looking after a child, then you can talk to us about fostering.

In Sandwell we're ready to talk to you about fostering, we want the best for our children and we want to hear from you.



IF YOU?

- ✓ Are over 21 years old
- ✓ Have the time & energy to commit to fostering
- ✓ Have you a spare bedroom

WE'LL SUPPORT YOU TO SUPPORT CHILDREN IN SANDWELL

We have the skills, experience and knowledge to support you and help you to find the right type of fostering for you and your family.

- ✓ **Your own dedicated social worker**
- ✓ **Professional Training & development**
- ✓ **Generous financial packages**
- ✓ **24/7 support**
- ✓ **Fostering Friendly Employer**

Our fostering team pride themselves on being approachable and are there for you whenever you need support on your fostering journey.

WHAT IS FOSTERING?

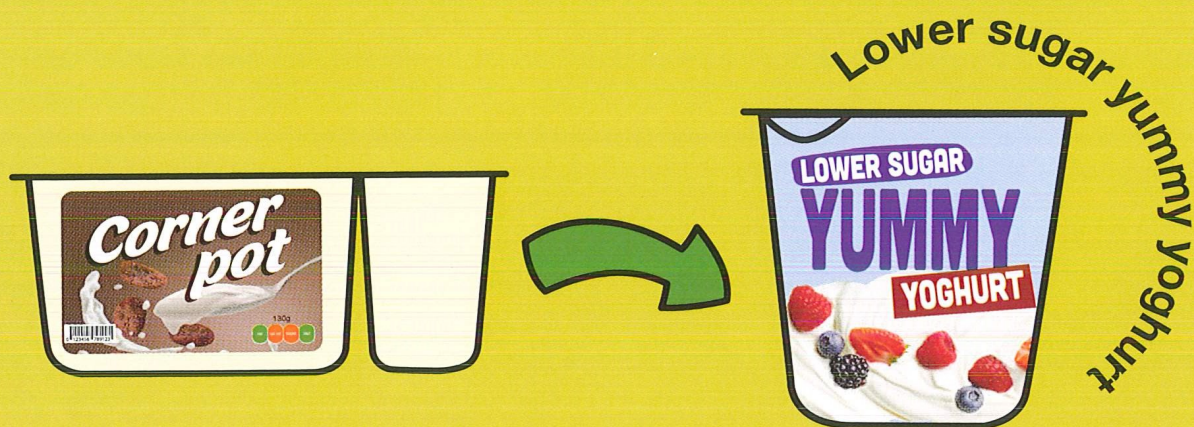
Foster carers are needed to give vulnerable children and young people a safe, caring home environment whilst they're unable to live with their birth family. Fostering comes in many forms, it can be a short-term arrangement, or it can mean giving a home to a child until they reach adulthood.

Becoming a foster carer is important to enable children to grow, flourish and reach their potential. There are many reasons why children need to be fostered and there are many people, with different skills and experiences who can become foster carers.



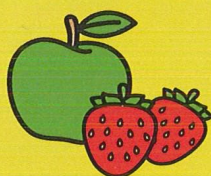


Find healthier swaps for the whole family



Just scan, swipe, swap

Now it's your turn to try! 



**Better
Health**

Let's
do this



Download the **FREE**
NHS Food Scanner App

Be a Swap Rockstar!

1

Scan the barcode
on your favourite foods

2

Swipe to see
healthier choices

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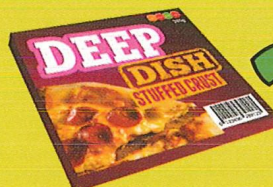
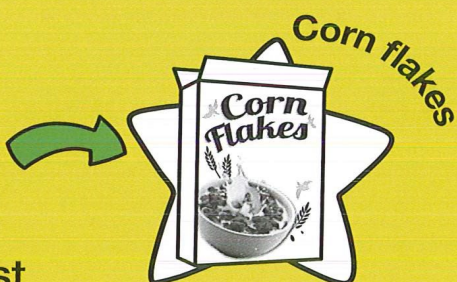
Swap next
time you shop

Can you make swaps?

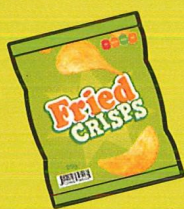
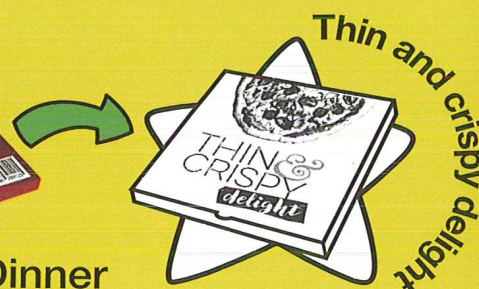
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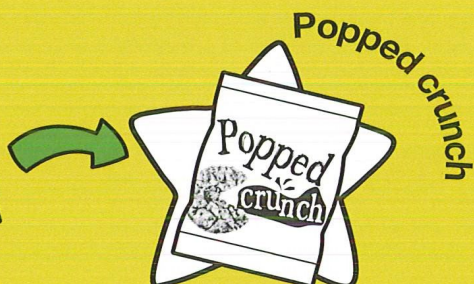
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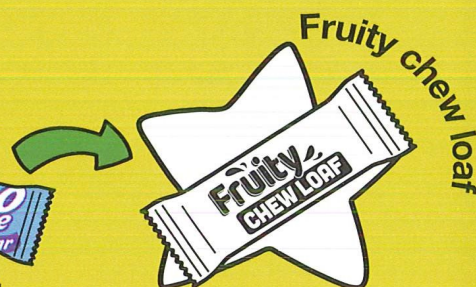
Lunch or Dinner



Snack



Dessert



Drink



Name _____

 has made 5 swaps and is a Swap Rockstar

*Crayons work best. If you use felt tips make sure you allow time to dry.