



NEWSLETTER FOR SIDMOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Welcome Back!

It was wonderful to see everyone back this week! We hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable break. The children certainly seem well-rested and eager to learn. We have a busy few weeks ahead of us. Next week, we'll be celebrating Anti-Bullying Week, Remembrance Day, and Children in Need. Keep an eye on the newsletter for more details and upcoming events.

As it is the start of a new half term we will have sent you a link to the year group newsletters which are all on our website:

<https://www.sidmouthprimaryschool.co.uk/curriculum>

Please take some time to read this newsletter as it informs you about the topics your child will be studying over the next half term. We would really encourage you to visit the curriculum section of our website as you will find lots of information about what the children are learning throughout the year.



Throughout Autumn term 2 our Jigsaw theme will be:
Celebrating Differences

This unit from the Jigsaw scheme solely emphasises the importance of valuing and respecting ourselves and others. Children will start to recognise and appreciate differences among themselves and others by understanding this is what makes us special and unique. As children go through school, they will start to explore how conflict can arise due to noticing such differences and how we can manage situations like this by respecting and communicating with one another in a polite and sensible way. Overall, children are taught the importance of understanding and appreciating that everyone is different.

Keeping Our Children Looking Smart

I've been so impressed with how smart our children have looked in their school uniforms lately. Thank you all for your efforts in making this happen. Let's keep up the great work!

A Friendly Reminder

- **Uniform Policy:**
 - While branded uniforms aren't mandatory, please ensure your child's attire aligns with our school uniform policy.
 - PE Kit: A plain white t-shirt, navy blue shorts, trainers, and either plain black tracksuit bottoms or leggings. Please avoid football kits.
- **Jewellery:**
 - For safety reasons, only stud earrings are permitted.
 - Important: Please remember to remove earrings on PE days.
- **Long Hair:**
 - Must be tied up during school hours for safety and hygiene.

Need a Hand?

If you're struggling to source uniform items, please don't hesitate to speak with Mrs. Newton, our Family Links Worker. She's here to help!

Together, let's ensure our children are comfortable, safe, and ready to learn.



Don't Forget Those Coats and Jumpers!

As the days get shorter and the nights get colder, it's important to make sure your child is bundled up and ready for the weather. Please remember to send them to school with a warm coat and jumper. These items will help keep them comfortable and focused throughout the day.

New School Menu



School Menus

November 2024 - April 2025

Key:- GF = Gluten Free, H = Halal

For Allergens, see numbers in brackets next to each dish and refer to Allergens below

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| 1 GLUTEN | 6 SOY | 11 MOLLUSCS |
| 2 NUTS | 7 FISH | 12 LUPINES |
| 3 EGG | 8 CELERY | 13 PEANUTS |
| 4 SESAME | 9 CRUSTACEAN | 14 SULPHITE |
| 5 MILK | 10 MUSTARD | |



Week Commencing: 04/11, 18/11, 02/12, 16/12, 06/01, 20/01, 03/02, 24/02, 10/03, 24/03

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice 1	Bolognese Sauce (GF)(H) Pasta (1)	Butchers Pork Sausages (1,14), Chicken Sausages (1,14)(H)	Cottage Pie (5)	Roast Chicken (H) Yorkshire Pudding (1,3,5)	Fish (1,7)
Choice 2	Tomato & Basil Pasta (1,5)	Vegan Sausages (1) (H)	Vegan Cottage Pie	Quorn Fillet (1)	Omelettes (3,5)
Sides	Homemade Bread (1,3,5) Green Beans	Mashed Potato (5) Carrots Peas	Broccoli Cauliflower	Roast Potatoes Carrots Broccoli	Chips Baked Beans Mushy Peas
Dessert Choice	Iced Sponge (1,5) & Custard (5)	Chocolate Tiffin (1,5,6)	Oaty Fruit Crunch (1) & Custard (5)	Fruit Cookies (1,3)	Fairy Sponge Slice (1,3,5,14)

Jelly, Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt's (5) are also available. Gluten free pudding is available on request.

Week Commencing: 11/11, 25/11, 09/12, 13/01, 27/01, 10/02, 03/02, 17/03, 31/03

Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice 1	Chinese Chicken Curry (1,10)(H)	Minced Beef & Potato Pie (1,3)(H)	Homemade Pizza & Toppings (1,5)(H)	Roast Turkey (H) Yorkshire Pudding (1,3,5)	Chicken Nuggets (1,5,6,8,10)(H)
Choice 2	Quorn Curry (1,3,10)	Cheese & Tomato Quiche (1,3,5)	Homemade Pizza & Toppings (1,5)(H)	Ranch Pie (6)(H) Vegan mince in BBQ Sauce topped with mashed Swede & Carrots	Vegan Dippers (1)(H)
Sides	50/50 Rice Naan Bread (1) Peas/Sweetcorn	Green Beans Diced Swede Roast Potatoes	Diced Potatoes Peas/Sweetcorn	Broccoli Carrots Mashed Potato (5)	Potato Wedges Baked Beans Garden Peas
Dessert Choice	Chocolate Crunch (1,3) & Custard (5)	Raspberry Muffin (1,3,5)	Rice Pudding & Sliced Peaches (5)	Berry Brownie (1,3,5)	Carrot Cake (1,3,5,6)

Jelly, Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt's (5) are also available. Gluten free pudding is available on request.

Available everyday	Daily Fresh Bread (1). Freshly prepared assorted filled Sandwiches/Rolls/Wraps (1,3,5,6,7) Jacket Potato served with choice of fillings Baked Beans, Grated Cheese (5) or Tuna Mayonnaise (3,7,10)
	Fresh Daily Salad.
	Water, Juice or Milk (5).
	Gluten free pasta can be provided if ordered in advanced.

Free School Meals

We are very keen to make sure that every child and family that is eligible for Free School Meals and Pupil Premium funding is registered correctly. This funding is vital to be able to offer support to the individual children and across the school. You can check if you are eligible by completing the online form via the Hull City Council website:

<https://www.hull.gov.uk/education-and-schools/schools/free-school-meals>

We know that applying online can sometimes be difficult, so we have staff on hand at school to be able to assist if you would prefer. All conversations remain private and confidential, all we need to complete the application for you is:

- Parent and Child Full Name and Date of Birth
- Contact Details
- National Insurance Number or National Asylum Seekers Number

If you would like to take advantage of our team making the application for you, please let us know. Everyone can apply, even if your child is currently in receipt of the Universal Free Meals offered to EYFS and KS1 children - as pupil premium funding provides much more than just free meals at lunchtime.

If you are eligible to FSM, you would also be entitled to receive a voucher to be used at a Supermarket (choice of four) during school holidays, provided Hull City Council is continuing this funding.



ENGLAND ROCKS

12TH -14TH NOVEMBER
7:30AM TO 7:30PM DAILY

PLAY IN ANY
GAME TYPE!

1HR TIME LIMIT
PER PERSON!

WINNING CLASS WILL HAVE THE
HIGHEST NUMBER OF CORRECT
ANSWERS PER STUDENT!

**TIMES TABLES
ROCK STARS**

As part of our commitment to make maths exciting and high profile in our school, we are taking part in a friendly competition involving schools in England. The competition runs from **07:30 GMT Tuesday 12th November 2024 to 19:30 GMT Thursday 14th November 2024**. It's all done online via play.trockstars.com. Children can play in any gamemode with every correct answer to a multiplication or division question, earning themselves, their class and the school a point. The Times Tables Rock Stars platform will calculate the class average (the number of correct answers per pupil in the class who play during the competition hours, subject to a daily 60-minute limit (see below)). Winning classes in the school and in the competition as a whole will be the ones with the highest average.

This week's talking task:



Picture News



This Week's Story



Let's look at this week's story



A 23-year-old British climber has become the youngest woman to summit the world's fourteen highest mountains. Adriana Brownlee reached the 8,027m peak of Shishapangma in Tibet, at around 8am on 9th October. She is only the second Briton to complete the feat, after quitting university to begin a career in mountaineering.



Learn more about this week's story [here](#).
Watch this week's useful video [here](#).
This week's Virtual Picture News [here](#).



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Reflection



Our dreams come in all shapes and sizes, and they are unique to us. One thing they all have in common, is that they are something to work towards, and can give us a sense of accomplishment once achieved.



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Individual Liberty

We have the freedom to choose our own path in life and we take responsibility for our choices.

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Things to talk about at home

- Share your response to Adriana Bownlee's achievement. Talk about some of the challenges she will have faced and sacrifices she will have made to reach her goal
- What goals and aspirations do you have for the future? Ask someone older at home about theirs. Have their dreams changed over time? Have they fulfilled any of them?



Whole School Attendance to Date:
94.9%

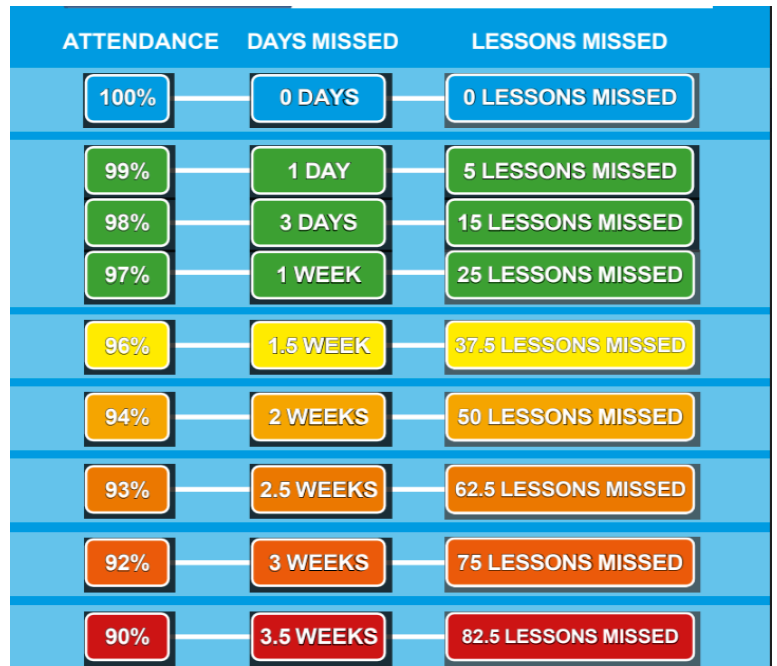
	Class Name	Attendance Percentage
1	Cowell	99.0%
2	Child	98.5%
3	Browne	98.2%
4	Wilson	97.6%
5	Blackman	96.5%
6	Fine	96.5%
7	Hendra	96.0%
8	Dahl	95.3%
9	Carle	94.8%
10	Jeffers	93.2%
11	Pullman	92.9%
12	Rosen	92.6%
13	Kerr	91.6%
14	Rowling	88.3%
15	Donaldson	87.1%

Attendance - Every Day Counts

The table opposite shows you the attendance for the week ending 8th November 2024.

We are aiming for all children to have 97% attendance. Well done to all classes that have achieved this.

Remember, to maximise your potential, you have to be here everyday,





**Unity in
Community**

Energy Voucher Support

**call 01482 420836
Monday-Friday
9am-2pm
(if line is busy, please
keep trying)**

to qualify you must pay
for your energy through a
pre-payment meter and
not have received energy
vouchers from Unity in
the Community before

Help Available

Gas and electric
vouchers between
£28 and £49
available .

Upcoming Diary Dates

WC 11/11/24	Anti Bullying Week
Fri 15th November	Children in Need
Thur 14th November	Flu Vaccine catch up appointments
Wc 25th Nov till	Bikeability Year 5
Mon 25th November	White Ribbon day
Thur 5th December	F2 Nativity - More info to follow
Tues 10th December	Year 5/6 Hull Uni Panto performance
Fri 6th December	Sparkle Day - More info to follow
Wed 11th December	Christmas fair 3.30pm onwards
Thur 12th December	Christmas Dinner day
Thur 12th December	School Choir Festival of carols - after school event
Tue 17th December	Yr 6 Visit to Hull truck Theatre - The Borrowers
Wed 18th December	Yr 2 Christmas performance and craft afternoon
Fri 20th December	Last day of Autumn Term - school closes at 2pm
Mon 23rd Dec to Fri 3rd Jan	Christmas Holidays - school closed
Mon 6th January	INSET Day - school closed to pupils
Mon 17th to Fri 21st February	Half term break - school closed
Mon 10th March	INSET Day - school closed to pupils
Fri 4th April	Last day of Spring Term - school closes at 2pm
Mon 7th to Fri 18th April	Easter Holidays - school closed
Mon 21st April	Bank Holiday - school closed
Tue 22nd April	INSET Day - school closed to pupils
Mon 5th May	Bank Holiday - school closed
Mon 26th to Fri 30th May	Half term break - school closed
Fri 18th July	Last Day of the Summer Term - school closes at 2pm