

ST. AMBROSE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 28th April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

As always it has been a busy week packed with exciting activities and the week started with a maths day for all the school to participate in. The specialist maths provider challenged the children to solve lots of practical number and shape problems. Prep 3 and 4 have solved an online mystery by completing computer-based numerical challenges, and every class has taken part in a whole-school maths challenge to solve a variety of questions.

On Tuesday of this week, Prep 4 had a visit from The Young Enterprise Team from St Ambrose College who came to show our children the model car kit they have designed. The College boys spoke to Prep 4 about physics topics such as forces and gears and they explained how they created the pieces used in their kit. Videos were watched and a variety of different activities were undertaken - the car race at the end was a definite favourite! The Enterprise Team have reached the regional final with their car kit design and we wish them all the best both for the final and in selling their product.

On Thursday, Prep 4 continued their Edmund Rice Awards scheme by looking at ways in which we can care for nature. The children planted pepper and runner bean seeds and seed bombs were sown in the school grounds. The Edmund Rice Network have kindly donated bird feeders for us to put in nearby trees and there is now a bird identification chart (near the hall doors) so that we can all discover which birds visit our school. Next week class prefects will be setting up a competition with all the classes to see which class can grow the tallest sunflower.

As part of maths week, Prep 4 children have enjoyed problem solving sessions, an online maths adventure and the highlight of the week was the maths relay (which got very competitive!). We would like to thank our visitor from Buenos Aires, Ms Pasman for her help with these activities.

Wednesday showcased another year group assembly with Prep 1 educating us with their Roman drama performance, and it did not disappoint. The performance from all of the pupils was excellent, as it was informative, educational and entertaining. Every pupil delivered a polished performance of song, dance and drama and the costumes were spectacular! Well done Prep 1 for a professional and confident delivery which was enjoyed by parents and pupils alike.

Thank you to those pupils who have volunteered to help with the Open Morning tomorrow and to parents who have supported the event by allowing their children to come on a bank holiday weekend, it is much appreciated.

I hope you enjoy your long weekend in the sunshine!

Ms Heron

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

As mentioned in previous communication, we need your assistance with the Safeguarding of your children. Please can I ask that you close the gate after yourself if you are coming into school outside of school drop off and pick up.

If your child is late to school, please ensure they enter the building through the main entrance so that Mrs Ennis is aware of their arrival.

Parents/Carers will not be allowed into school with their child in the morning. This is to safeguard everybody. Please drop your child off at the line in the playground or at the office.

We are aware that parking can be an issue, especially as the building work continues. Please can I remind you all not to park in the staff carpark and to park with consideration. Please ensure that you park up and walk your child into the playground.

WHAT'S ON - Dates for the Diary

WHAT	WHEN	WHO	NOTES
EYFS Open Morning	Saturday 29 th April	Volunteer pupils	10.00am – 12.00pm
Bank Holiday	Monday 1 st May	School Closed	School Closed
King 's Coronation Celebration	Thursday 4 th May	Whole School	Pupils to wear red white & blue
Edmund Rice Feast Day	Friday 5 th May	School Closed	Coronation of King Charles III
Bank Holiday	Monday 8 th May	School Closed	School Closed
Circus	Wednesday 21 st June	Pupils & families and the local community	More information to follow from the PFTA

HOT LUNCH MENUS - UPDATED



Lunch Menu Week 1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main meals	Beef Bolognaise	Chicken Goujons	Sweet & Sour Chicken	Beef Lasagne	Breaded Haddock
	or Tomato & Basil Sauce	or Cheese & Onion Quiche	or Lentil Bolognaise	or Vegetable Lasagne	or Macaroni Cheese
Accompanied by	Pasta	Oven Chips	White Rice	Potato Wedges	Oven Chips
		or Saute Potatoes	or Penne Pasta	or Saute Potatoes	or Saute Potatoes
Served with	Sweetcorn	Sweetcorn	Mixed Vegetables	Sliced Carrots	Peas
		or Peas	or Broccoli	or Vegetable Medley	or Sweetcorn
Desserts	Chocolate Chip Pudding with Salted Caramel Sauce	Selection of Cold Desserts	Apple Sponge	Selection of Cold Desserts	Stick Toffee Pudding



Lunch Menu Week 2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main meals	Chicken & Pasta with Tomato & Herbs	Roast Turkey in Gravy	Chicken & Ham Pie with Flaky Pastry Top	Pasta Carbonara	Breaded Haddock
	or Macaroni Cheese	or Cheese & Onion Pie	or Meat Free Mushroom & Chicken Style Pie	or Cauliflower & Broccoli Pasta	or Bean Chilli
Accompanied by	Croquette Potatoes	Golden Roast Potatoes	Mashed Potato	Potato Wedges	Oven Chips
			or Boiled Potatoes	or Saute Potatoes	or White Rice
Served with	Peas	Broccoli	Sweetcorn	Sliced Carrots	Baked Beans
	or Mixed Vegetables	or Sweetcorn	or Peas	or Summer Vegetables	or Sweetcorn
Desserts	Selection of Cold Desserts	Summer Fruit Crumble	Selection of Cold Desserts	Chocolate Chip Sponge	Selection of Cold Desserts