

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am pleased to say that the children have returned refreshed after the Easter break and are eager to learn new things. We would like to ask parents if they could encourage their children to read daily at home for 10 minutes. It would be great if you could listen to your child reading and ask them questions about what they have read. Please watch the space for more information about how we are changing reading at Downsell.

Shortly we will send you more information about Year 6 transition to secondary schools. Before they leave Downsell we will organise Year 6 trips to the local area and of course they will have their Graduation and end of year party.

Mr Chetty

Thursday 6th May 2021 our school will be closed to children as it is being used as a polling station.

Water bottles

A reminder that you child will need to bring their own drinking water bottle from home daily, with the weather warming up. Can you please ensure they do not forget this to prevent dehydration.



Joke of the Week

What did the pencil sharpener say to the pencil?

Stop going in circles and get to the point!

Parents Consultations

Parent's consultations are taking place next week on Monday and Tuesday (Tue/ Wed for Y4 JK Rowling) on Google Meet. This is an opportunity to discuss your child's progress and achievements with their class teachers. Please speak to the teacher if you haven't been allocated a time slot and a meeting code for the online meeting.

Class Photographs



The school photographer will be in school on **Tuesday 27th 2021** to take class group photographs.

Please ensure your child comes to school in their uniform.

If your child is coming to school in their PE kit, please let them bring their school jumper so that they can wear it when their photograph is taken.



School dinners

Our school dinner menu has changed for the summer term, please familiarise yourself with the menu as below for allergies, dietary needs and any restrictions your child/children may have.



What your child will learn next week:

Nursery

Story: Commotion in the Ocean.

Maths: Fishing-Catch the fish and find the number.

We are going to learn about under the sea.

Reception

The Very Hungry Caterpillar, we are look at different mini beasts and how to have a balanced diet.

In maths, we are looking at doubling and counting in 2s.

Year 1

Reading - Man on the moon.
Comprehension.

Maths - four operations.

Writing - adjectives and adverbs.

Year 2

Reading: Bill's New Frock - To make inferences from the text.

Literacy: Bill's New Frock - Develop a character's personality and feelings through speech.

Maths: Equivalent fractions and placing fractions on a number line.

Science: Explore seed germination.

Topic: Islands

Year 3

Reading - Learning to scan for key words in the text and highlight examples of actions that show how a character is feeling.

Literacy - Learning to write a setting description and using similes.

Maths - Learning to use a range of written and mental methods to add and subtract.

Year 4

Maths: Subtraction methods, checking with the inverse and solving word problems.

Literacy: The Explorer - To write in the style of an author, including short sentences for effect and showing character feelings through actions.

Reading: The Explorer - To infer a character's thoughts and actions, make predictions and say whether a statement is true or false and why.

Year 5

Reading: Inference and retrieval based on the book 'Plague'.

Maths: To add and subtract including decimals.

Literacy: Looking at the author's style of writing.

Science: Studying the solar system, the earth, sun and moon.

Topic: History of the plague.

Year 6

Reading - Shackleton's Journey

Maths - Measures and Time

Writing - Narrative Description

Topic - The Golden Age

Week beginning: 19/04/2021

Class	Child's Name		
	BRAVO CARDS	ACHIEVEMENT CARDS	GOLDEN AWARDS
Jill Murphy			
Julia Donaldson			
Michael Rosen			
Roger Hargreaves			
Roald Dahl			
C S Lewis			
Dr Seuss	Eman, Khiara, Rayeed	Greta, Adam, Iqra, Aeon	Starran, Tamara
Jacqueline Wilson	Luna, Ayesha C	Theo, Moin	Hafsa
Nadiya Hussain	Aisha, Mustafa	Mia, Ayden	Jessica
Eileen Browne	Adem, David		Adem
Anne Fine	Urwa, Mohamud	Andre-David, Rayaana Y, Teasia, Luka	Luka
Cressida Cowell	Uday, Nikolay	Naz, Maria	Miran
J K Rowling	Ayhem	Eshaal	Inaya
Nadine Kaadan	Abdul Aziz, Inaaya	Keenan, Rebecca	Aya
Kenneth Grahame			
Michael Morpurgo			
Grace Lin			
Lewis Carroll			
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle			
Sun Tzu			



Well done everyone!!!



Spring/Summer Menu 2021 week 1	Monday (save the planet day)	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
CHOICE 1	Planet Pizza (V)	Mac N Cheese (V)	Sweet Potato Korma (VG)	Jerk Chicken	Samosa (VG)
CHOICE 2	Planet Pizza (VG)	Meatballs in Tomato sauce	MSC Lemon Crumb Salmon Fillet	Five Bean Burrito (VG)	MSC Fish Fingers
CHOICE 3	Jacket Potato (VG)	Jacket Potato (VG) with Various Fillings	Lemon Chicken	Jacket Potato (VG) with Various Fillings	Filled Baguettes
Sides	Jacket Wedges	Wholemeal Spaghetti	Steamed Minted New Potatoes 50/50 Rice	Rice and Peas	Oven Baked Chips
Vegetables	Sweetcorn Minted Garden peas	Mixed Vegetables Broccoli	Shredded Green Cabbage Organic Carrots	Sweetcorn Green Beans	Baked Beans Minted Garden Peas
Salads	Salad Selection				
Desserts	Pineapple & Ice Cream	Fruit Jelly Pot (VE)	Lemon Drizzle cake with Custard	Peaches & Custard	Homemade Shortbread Biscuit with Wedge of Fresh Orange (VE)
DAILY	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit				
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Bread	Homemade Garlic Bread	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread

Spring/Summer Menu 2021 week 2	Monday (save the planet day)	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
CHOICE 1	Tomato & Vegetable Pasta Bake (VG)	Vegetable Sausage Toad in the Hole (VG)	Chicken Biryani	Squash and Spinach Curry (VG)	Fish Fingers (V)
CHOICE 2	Jacket Potato (VG) with Various Fillings	Chicken & Ginger Stir Fry with Noodles	Homemade Cheddar & Sweetcorn Slice (V)	Oven Roasted Sausages	Jacket Potato (VG) with Various Fillings
CHOICE 3	Bolognaise (V)	Jacket Potato (VG) with Various Fillings	Jacket Potato (VG) with Baked Beans (VE)	Jacket Potato (VG) with Various Fillings	Homemade Falafel Filled Torpedo Roll (VG)
Sides	Wholemeal Spaghetti	Seasoned Jacket Wedges	50/50 Mixed Rice	Creamed Mashed Potato	Oven Baked Chips
Vegetables	Sweetcorn Green Beans	Broccoli Organic Carrots	Cauliflower Garden Peas	Sweetcorn Mixed Vegetables	Baked Beans Garden Peas
Salads	Salad Selection				
Desserts	Mixed Fruit Crumble (VE) with Custard	Cheese & Crackers with Fresh Apple Slice	Fruit Salad (VE) & Ice Cream	Carrot Cake & Custard	Fruit Jelly Pot (VE)
DAILY	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit				
DAILY	Seasonal Fresh Fruit				
Bread	Homemade Bread				