TAS VALLEY TELEGRAPH

'Living Life to the Full'

Friday 18th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Both schools continue to be happy, settled and productive learning environments, and we are very proud of the positive way in which the children have approached the start of the new term.

This week, swimming lessons have resumed for the first group of Year 5 pupils, alongside top-up swimming sessions for those Year 6 pupils who are continuing to work towards swimming 25 metres. We have also begun the process of establishing our new School Councils and Eco Councils, and we look forward to seeing our pupils take on these important leadership roles.

Please continue to check the diary dates carefully, as new information is highlighted in blue.

Parents of children in **Years 3 and 4** have received a Microsoft Form regarding a proposed residential visit to **How Hill in May 2027**. If you have not already responded, please do so as soon as possible.

Parents of **Year 6 pupils** should have received, via their child, a letter explaining the process for applying for a high school place. Spare copies are available from both school offices. The deadline for applications is **31st October 2026**.

We are excited about the many opportunities ahead this term and look forward to sharing your children's achievements with you in the weeks to come.

Yours sincerely,
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TOGETHER
WE CARE
WE LEARN
WE ACHIEVE
WE CELEBRATE
Tas Valley Church Schools Federation

Bikeability Year 5

Once again, we are delighted to offer our Year 5 pupils the opportunity to participate in Bikeability Training (Level 2). This cycle training course is designed to help children to develop the skills and confidence to ride safely on quiet roads.

During Level 2, children learn how to start and stop safely, pass parked vehicles, make left and right turns, and understand basic road signals and signs. The training is delivered by qualified instructors and aims to give children practical experience in real traffic conditions, preparing them to cycle more independently and safely.

Participants will require their bicycle and helmet in school on the course dates for their group.

	Saxlingham	Tasburgh
Date	Mon 30th November Tues 1st December	Mon 23rd November Tues 24th November Wed 25th November
Booking Details	Book your child's place here: https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/love-theft-radio	Book your child's place here: https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/assay-place-mould

Saxlingham Nethergate CEVC Primary School	Tasburgh CEVC Primary School
Sparrows: **Teddy** for his hard work and positive attitude to learning this week. Kingfishers: **Leo** for a really positive start to the term and applying himself well in all lessons. Swallow: **Amber** for measuring and weighing ingredients while making a delicious cake for homework. **Kobi** for making a brilliant World War 2 gas mask for homework.	Robins: **Bea** for fantastic work in drawing club. Goldfinches: **Ava** for an excellent attitude to learning. Skylarks: **Eliana** for great effort in hand-writing and presentation. Swifts: **Aston** for fantastic contributions to class discussions and some wonderful poetry.
Values: Promoting peace within our school community	
Sparrows: **Freya** Kingfishers: **Daniel** Swallows: **Tom**	Robins: **Brody** Goldfinches: **Erin** Skylarks: **Harry** Swifts: **Logan B.**

Tasburgh News

Tasburgh C of E Primary School

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Church Craft Group are filling Christmas shoe boxes for Samaritan's Purse and we are hoping that many hands make light work!

We would love it if your child could bring something from the list below.

Robins — Pencil Sharpeners, Pencil Cases & Small Cuddly Toys
Gold Finches — Hair brushes, A5 Notebooks & Erasers
Sky Larks — Mini Colouring books (A5), Combs & Small Balls (tennis ball size)
Swifts — Rulers, Face Cloths & Small Toy Cars

There will be a collection box in each class room from 21st September to 2nd October.

www.samaritans-purse.org.uk

Thank you !

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the wonderful families and parents who donated sweet treats for FoTS to sell at the Tasburgh Fete.

Thank you for your generosity and to everyone who supported us, we raised an incredible £342 for Tasburgh Primary School!

We are so grateful for your continued support.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

AFTER SCHOOL

GOLDFINCHES CLASS, TASBURGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

COME ALONG AND FIND OUT ABOUT WHAT FOTS DO, OUR EXCITING PLANS FOR THE YEAR AHEAD AND HOW YOU COULD GET INVOLVED.

EMAIL TASBURGHFRIENDS@GMAIL.COM FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Diary Dates

	Saxlingham	Tasburgh
Wednesday 23rd September		Phonics and Reading Meeting for Reception Parents, 3.15pm
Wednesday 30th September	Phonics and Reading Meeting for Reception Parents, 3.15pm	
Tuesday 6th October		Harvest Assembly
Wednesday 7th October	Harvest Service at 9.15am	Y6 Wellbeing Workshop (Mental Health Support Team)
Friday 9th October	Hello Yellow Mental Health Day – wear yellow clothes	
Tuesday 13th October	Parent/Teacher meetings	
Thursday 15th October	Parent/Teacher meetings	
Friday 23rd October	School Closed to Pupils	
Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October	**Half Term**	
Friday 13th November	Children in Need	
Monday 16th November	Odd Sock Day for Anti-Bullying Week	
Wednesday 18th November		Goldfinch Class Friend-ship Workshop (Mental Health Support Team)
Monday 23rd November, Tuesday 24th November & Wednesday 25th November		Y5 Bikeability
Monday 30th November & Tuesday 1st December	Y5 Bikeability	
Friday 18th December	**End of Term**	

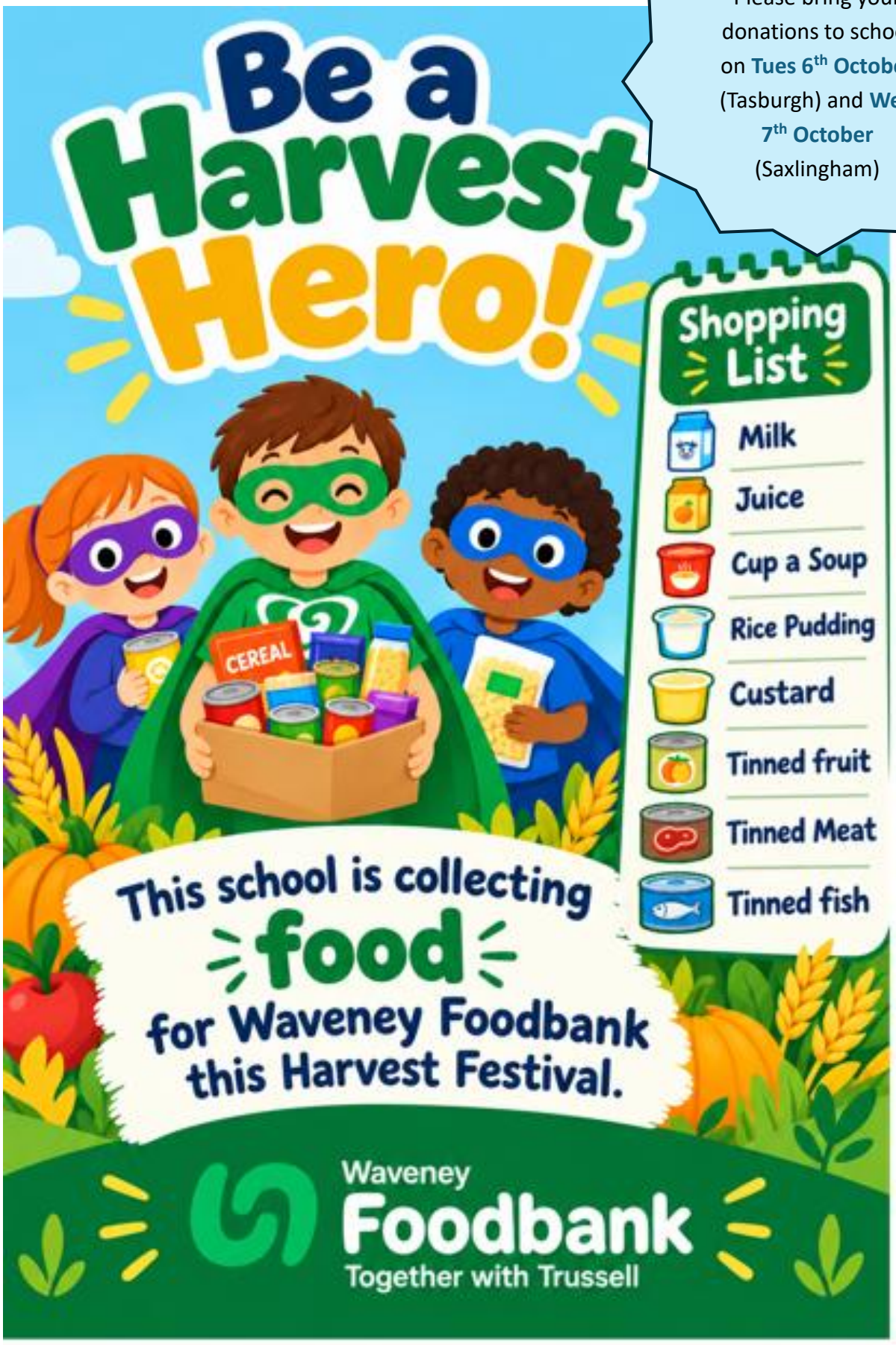
Saxlingham News

Please the children bring in a photograph of themselves doing something that makes them feel happy.

We are creating a wellbeing board within the school and we would like to add some photos to our display.

Please send in can any pictures to Mrs Elliot.

Please bring your donations to school on **Tues 6th October** (Tasburgh) and **Wed 7th October** (Saxlingham)



Swift Class News

HISTORY LEARNING

The Battle of Britain

We have started learning all about World War Two and have looked in detail at the events which led up to the declaration of war.

The children worked in groups to create a timeline of events and some also discussed which event they thought was the most important when considering the outbreak of war.

ENGLISH LEARNING

We are using the picture book, Rose Blanche, to consider how characters and stories develop.

The children have asked lots of 'I wonder' questions about the illustrations so far and have produced an intial diary entry about the start of World War Two in Germany.

They have been able to put themselves in the shoes of Rose- a young girl living in Germany- through lots of drama activities.

OUTDOOR LEARNING

Our first outdoor learning session was lots of fun! Ms Ladbrooke linked our activities to World War Two. We made our own miniature anderson shelters, created first aid splints and designed our own trip wires (which definitely worked!)

CODE BREAKERS!

We have been turning our hand to code breaking this week- trying to crack Caesar ciphers where letters are shifted to create a coded message.

Do you think you could crack this code?

Caesar Cipher

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

AL VLR RKABOPQXKA X ZXBPXO ZFMEBO?

Answer:
D

Pop in to Swift Class if you would like a clue or if you think you've cracked the code!

BRAVE COLOUR

In Art, we are finding out all about colour and how it is used in different spaces.

This week, we created a page of our favourite colours using different shades, materials and techniques.

Which colours make you feel happy or sad?

Are there certain colours that remind you of a person or place?

WYMONDHAM RFC
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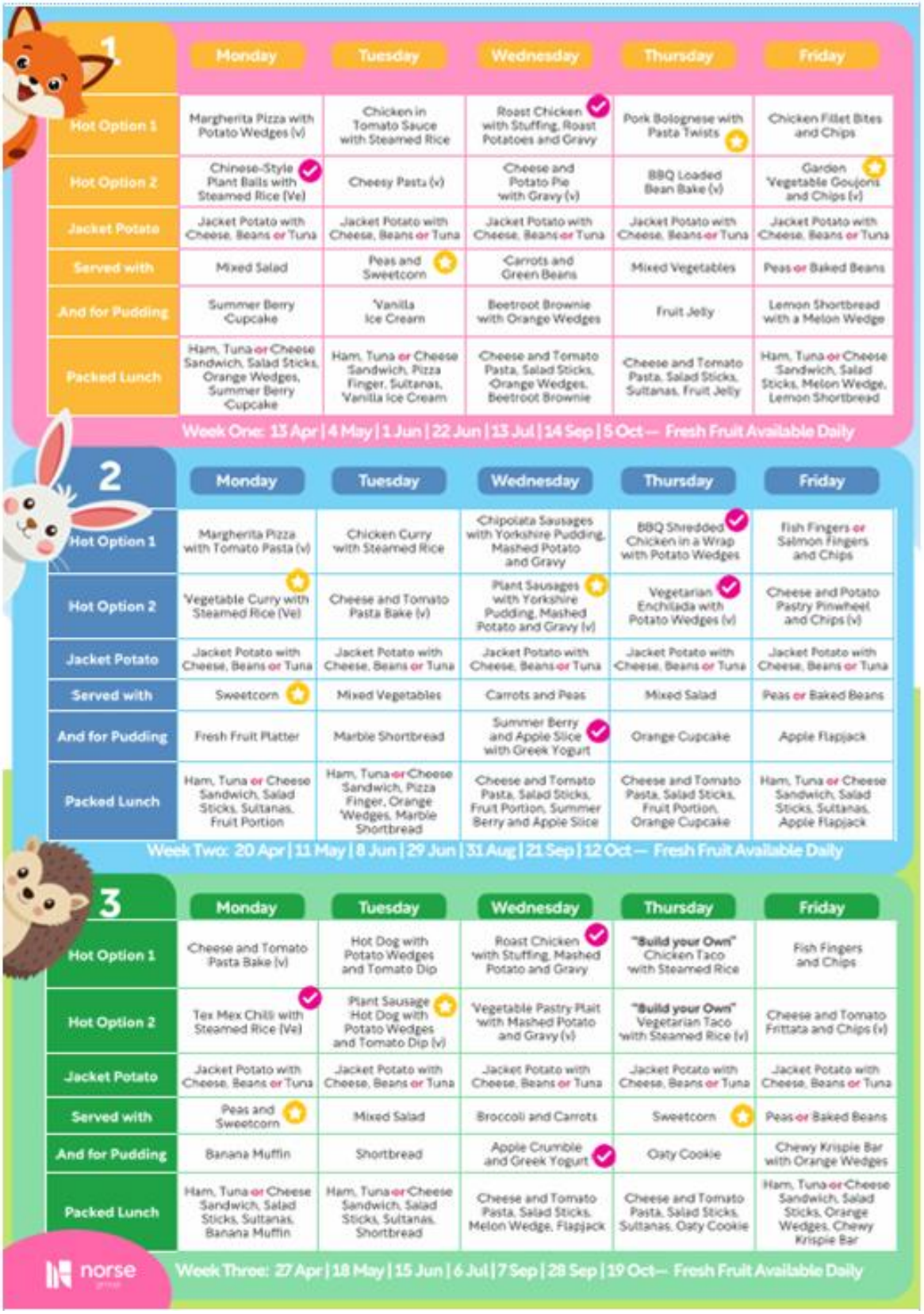
WYMONDHAM RRC
FREE GIRLS
PITCH UP AND PLAY
PIZZA NIGHT
+ FREE PIZZA FOR ALL PLAYERS!
THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER, 6-8PM
OPEN TO SCHOOL YEARS 4 TO 13
USE THE QR CODE OR EMAIL:
SCHOOLS@WYMONDHAMRFC.COMTO SIGN UP



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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Margherita Pizza with Potato Wedges (v)	Chicken in Tomato Sauce with Steamed Rice	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Pork Bolognese with Pasta Twists	Chicken Fillet Bites and Chips
Hot Option 2	Chinese-Style Plant Balls with Steamed Rice (Ve)	Cheesy Pasta (v)	Cheese and Potato Pie with Gravy (v)	BBQ Loaded Bean Bake (v)	Garden Vegetable Goujons and Chips (v)
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Served with	Mixed Salad	Peas and Sweetcorn	Carrots and Green Beans	Mixed Vegetables	Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Summer Berry Cupcake	Vanilla Ice Cream	Beetroot Brownie with Orange Wedges	Fruit Jelly	Lemon Shortbread with a Melon Wedge
Packed Lunch	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Orange Wedges, Summer Berry Cupcake	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Pizza Finger, Sultanas, Vanilla Ice Cream	Cheese and Tomato Pasta, Salad Sticks, Orange Wedges, Beetroot Brownie	Cheese and Tomato Pasta, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Fruit Jelly	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Melon Wedge, Lemon Shortbread

Week One: 13 Apr | 4 May | 1 Jun | 22 Jun | 13 Jul | 14 Sep | 5 Oct – Fresh Fruit Available Daily

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Margherita Pizza with Tomato Pasta (v)	Chicken Curry with Steamed Rice	Chipolata Sausages with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato and Gravy	BBQ Shredded Chicken in a Wrap with Potato Wedges	Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers and Chips
Hot Option 2	Vegetable Curry with Steamed Rice (Ve)	Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake (v)	Plant Sausages with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato and Gravy (v)	Vegetarian Enchilada with Potato Wedges (v)	Cheese and Potato Pastry Pinwheel and Chips (v)
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Served with	Sweetcorn	Mixed Vegetables	Carrots and Peas	Mixed Salad	Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Fresh Fruit Platter	Marble Shortbread	Summer Berry and Apple Slice with Greek Yogurt	Orange Cupcake	Apple Flapjack
Packed Lunch	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Fruit Portion	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Pizza Finger, Orange Wedges, Marble Shortbread	Cheese and Tomato Pasta, Salad Sticks, Fruit Portion, Summer Berry and Apple Slice	Cheese and Tomato Pasta, Salad Sticks, Fruit Portion, Orange Cupcake	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Apple Flapjack

Week Two: 20 Apr | 11 May | 8 Jun | 29 Jun | 31 Aug | 21 Sep | 12 Oct – Fresh Fruit Available Daily

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake (v)	Hot Dog with Potato Wedges and Tomato Dip	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Mashed Potato and Gravy	"Build your Own" Chicken Taco with Steamed Rice	Fish Fingers and Chips
Hot Option 2	Tex Mex Chilli with Steamed Rice (Ve)	Plant Sausage Hot Dog with Potato Wedges and Tomato Dip (v)	Vegetable Pastry Plait with Mashed Potato and Gravy (v)	"Build your Own" Vegetarian Taco with Steamed Rice (v)	Cheese and Tomato Frittata and Chips (v)
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Served with	Peas and Sweetcorn	Mixed Salad	Broccoli and Carrots	Sweetcorn	Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Banana Muffin	Shortbread	Apple Crumble and Greek Yogurt	Oaty Cookie	Chewy Krispie Bar with Orange Wedges
Packed Lunch	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Banana Muffin	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Shortbread	Cheese and Tomato Pasta, Salad Sticks, Melon Wedge, Flapjack	Cheese and Tomato Pasta, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Oaty Cookie	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Orange Wedges, Chewy Krispie Bar

Week Three: 27 Apr | 18 May | 15 Jun | 6 Jul | 7 Sep | 28 Sep | 19 Oct – Fresh Fruit Available Daily

Norfolk County Council 2026-2027 Norfolk Model Calendar

This calendar applies to community schools, community special schools, VC schools and nursery schools and sets the days on which school transport will be provided. While most Foundation, VA, foundation special, free schools and academy trusts who are able to set their own dates, adopt the Norfolk Model, we advise you to check with your child's school before making holiday or other commitments.

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Key : White dates - schools open to pupils
Yellow dates - pupil holiday
Red dates - bank holiday

Five staff training days will be selected from yellow dates, we suggest 1 & 2 September, 23 October, 4 January and 12 April . Some may choose to use twilight hours for staff training instead of some or all of these.

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