



Friday  
13<sup>th</sup> March 2026

## FROM MRS CHESSELL

Dear Families,

Firstly, thank you so much for your support and flexibility at the start of the week with our boiler issue. As you are now aware, everything has been fixed and back to normal, we are all super grateful this happened in time for the colder weather towards the end of this week! The school has been lovely and toasty.

Thank you to everyone who has attended our Reading Cafes. The children have really enjoyed sharing books and reading with you all (I think they enjoyed the squash and biscuits with you just as much :)

The children have had the opportunity today to attend the Mother's Day Sale run by the Friends of Binstead. Thank you all for your support of this event. The children really enjoy coming to choose presents for the special women in their lives in preparation for Mothering Sunday.

Today the Year 5s have made their way to Lift Ryde for their taster day. It is always such a lovely day with lots of activities to give the children an idea of what it is like to be a part of Lift Ryde (and High School in general too). I am sure they will come back buzzing with information as usual.

Have a great weekend everyone, with very best wishes,

Mrs C :)

# ATTENDANCE

EYFS: 96.2%      Year 1: 94.7%      Year 2: 95.2%      Year 3: 96.2%  
 Year 4: 95.9%      Year 5: 97.3%      Year 6: 94.7%

**Whole School 92.1%    Whole School Target: 96%**

If your child is absent from school, please email or phone the office by 9.15am. Telephone calls must be confirmed in writing or the absence will be coded as unauthorised.

Children arriving between 8:55 and 9:15 will be coded as 'Late'.

Arrivals after 9:15 are coded as an 'unauthorised absence' for the session.

If they have a medical appointment and are going to be late, please also let us know and tell us if they would like a school meal ordered.

### Holidays in term time -

Due to new Government led expectations you may be asked to show proof of travel so please do not be offended if we ask. We are fulfilling our legal obligations. Thank you

Examples of attendance levels and their impact					
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
No days lost	10 days lost	19 days lost	29 days lost	38 days lost	47 days lost
190 school days each year	180 days at school	171 days at school	161 days at school	152 days at school	143 days at school
Best chance of success!		Makes it harder for your child to progress		Not fair on your child – possible legal action	

AUTUMN/WINTER  
2025 MENU



WEEK 2

W/C: 10/11/2025, 01/12/2025, 05/01/2026, 26/01/2026, 23/02/2026, 16/03/2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1 <b>Macaroni Cheese</b>	<b>Pork Sausages</b> with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	<b>Roast Chicken</b> with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	<b>Chicken and Vegetable Korma</b> with Wholegrain Rice	<b>Battered Fish</b> with Chips
	OPTION 2 <b>Veggie Burrito</b> with Wholegrain Rice	<b>Vegetarian Sausage</b> with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	<b>Sweet Potato, Chickpea and Herb Roast</b> with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	<b>Cheese and Tomato Pizza</b> with Pasta Salad	<b>Quorn Dippers</b> with Chips
	OPTION 3 <b>Tomato Pasta</b> Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	<b>Tomato Pasta</b> Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	<b>Tomato Pasta</b> Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	<b>Tomato Pasta</b> Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	<b>Tomato Pasta</b> Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD					
DESSERT	<b>Chocolate Caramel Crunch</b>	<b>Banana Flapjack</b>	<b>Chocolate Brownie</b>	<b>Raspberry Jelly</b>	<b>Strawberry Ice Cream</b>



**BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY**  
With a choice of toppings



Available daily  
Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

Vegetarian
 Vegan
 Oily Fish
 Fruity!
 Wholegrain
 Nutritionist's Choice



COMBINE: Core Menu, 3 Choices, All All menu

## COMMUNICATION SENT

Dojo - Heating & Hot water messages

Dojo - Scholastic book fair

Letter - Years 3 & 4 Butser Farm trip

Dojo - Parent Teacher Meeting reminder

## Binstead Primary School - Dates for the School Year

### Spring Term

13th March - Scholastic book fair

13th March - Mothers day sale

Parent Teacher Meetings:

23rd March - Year 4

24th March - Years R,1,2 & 3

25th March - Years 5 & 6

26th March - Years R,1,2,3,4, & 5

27th March - Last day of term

28th March - 12th April - Easter  
Holidays

### Summer Term

13th April - First day back after holidays

Monday 4th May - Bank Holiday

Week of the 11th May – SATS week

13th May – Years 3&4 Butser Farm

15th May – Year 6 Paultons Park

21st May - School Disco

22nd May – last day of term

23rd May - 31st May - Half Term

1st & 2nd June – INSET Days

24th June - 1.30pm Midsummer Dance

7th July - Year 6 Transition Day

17th July - 1.30pm Sports Day

22nd July 1.30pm Leaver's Service -  
Holy Cross Church

24th July – Last day of term

27th July – INSET Day



# FREE FAMILY ACTIVITIES

SUITABLE FOR ALL AGES

CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

DROP-IN'S BY NEW CARNIVAL

**Costume Making Drop-In**  
Sat 7 Mar | 10am - 1pm | Seminar Room  
Make a Jack in the Green inspired folk carnival costume using sustainable and recycled materials.



**Make Your Own Carnival Backpack**  
Sat 21 Mar | 10am - 1pm | Seminar Room  
New Carnival artists will help you make your own carnival backpack using sustainable materials.

**Easter Headdress Drop-In**  
Sat 4 Apr | 10am - 1pm | Seminar Room  
Make an Easter themed headdress, inspired by their Quay Arts exhibition 'Our Folktastic Isle.'



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