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Quest Academy

## APRIL 2022 EDITION 1 NEWSLETTER



Quote of  
the week

*"...All I really need is love, but a little  
chocolate now and then doesn't hurt!"*

*- Charles M. Schulz*



# WELCOME



Dear Parents/ Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know that Chris Edwards-Dewey and Stevie-Jayne Farrell will be leaving us to start on their new adventures. Their passion and dedication to the school has been incredible and I would like to thank them for the difference they have made.

Finally, thank you for your support and in particular your understanding when we have had to action our contingency plan.

I hope that you all have a wonderful Easter Holiday and look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

Kind regards,

*Nicola Wells*



## COVID-19 UPDATE

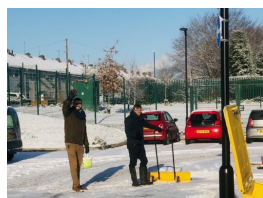
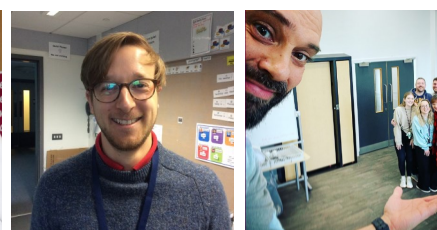
The Government has set out the [next steps for living with COVID-19](#) in England, the updated guidance advises the following:

- Children who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.
- Children with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days, which is when they are most infectious.
- Regular asymptomatic testing is no longer recommended in any education setting; therefore, we will no longer be able to order test kits for those on our register.

*We are successful because...*

*...the mother of one of our learners said that her son was proud to present his work during a school inspection. He is calmer, sleeps better and is much less anxious since joining Quest Academy, which his mother described as a 'great school'.*

**TEAMWORK  
MAKES THE  
DREAM WORK**



# INTRODUCING OUR NEW TA, ALLIE!



**1. What is the best job you've ever had and why?** Volunteering at the Rugby foodbank every week. Cooking for homeless people. I did this in my old job at Asda (community role).

**2. Where's the most interesting place you've ever been to?** The most interesting place I have ever been to is the caves in the Peak district. I was amazed at how it had formed over time and the views are incredible!



**3. If you could live anywhere in the world, where would it be and why?** I would live in Cornwall, Near the sea, a much slower life... Maybe I will retire there. In many, many years!

**4. Who's the most famous person you've met?** Cilla Black, on her huge boat in Puerto Banús, Spain

**5. Thinking about your working life, tell us about a time where you have gone beyond the requirements of your role to achieve something amazing?** I was helping sort Asda food shopping deliveries during lock down and one of the vans broke down. I stayed late and delivered all the shopping in my own car.

**6. Do you prefer hot sunny holidays' or wonderful winter holidays and why?** SUN! Sunshine gives you vitamins and helps me to relax.

**7. What is the most disgusting food you've ever eaten?** Steak and kidney pie YUK.

**8. If you were to have friends/family round for dinner, what meal would you cook and why?** I would cook Mexican, lots of variety, great taste and loved by many.

**9. What sport do you like to watch and why?** England Football Team, I am proud to be English.

**10. What's your biggest sporting achievement?** I had a scholarship at Birmingham Royal Ballet for 3 years, when I was 9 years old.

**11. Tell us an interesting fact about yourself?** When I was young I broke all my toes doing ballet.



**12. Have you ever done anything to raise money for charity?**

YES! I applied and received funding for a local church in Rugby, £25,000 towards new heating.

**13. What's your best party trick?** Hahaha I don't have one

**14. What's your favourite food and why?** Pizza! Because its quick, easy and tastes good!

**15. What was the last TV series you watched?** Line of duty

**16. Which tv programme/series did you binge watch over lockdown?** Prison Break

**17. What car would you like to drive if money was no question?** Range Rover Sport in white

**18. What's the silliest thing you googled during lockdown?** Tik Tok videos with my husband!

**19. What's the thing you enjoy the most about lockdown?** Everyday with my three children.

**20. What's on your To Do List for 2022?** I'm driving to France for our holiday.

**21. How did you spend your spare time? Hobbies etc?** Walking, cricut making, and quiz nights!



## Fletcher and the Springtime Blossoms

**Written by:** Julia Rawlinson **Illustrated by:** Tiphanie Beeke

In this companion to *Fletcher and the Falling Leaves* and *Fletcher and the Snowflake Christmas*, Fletcher the fox returns for another seasonal adventure. A perennial favourite for Storytime sharing!

Fletcher enjoys the sunny weather and the warmth of spring. But when he stumbles across snowy flakes gently floating to the ground, he spreads the news of winter's return to all his friends. But spring is full of wonderful surprises for Fletcher and his friends.

The Fletcher books are enjoyable picture books for sharing at home or in the classroom and are perfect for units on the seasons.

Reading age



4 - 8 years



## THE GREAT EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday 16th April, 10:00–14:00



Join [Rugby Round Table](#) for The Great Easter Egg Hunt in the beautiful Caldecott Park, Evreux Way, Rugby CV21 2DT.

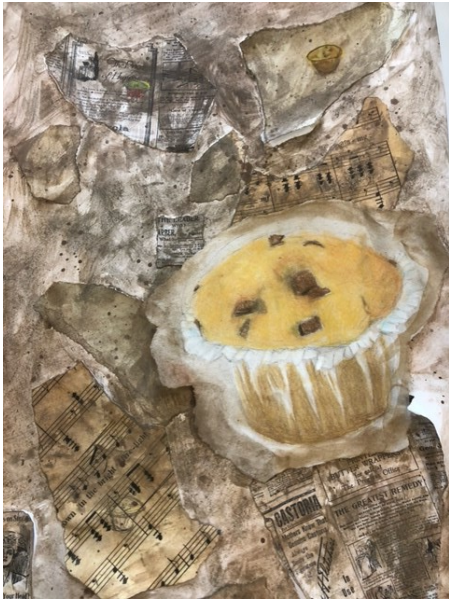
Bring your family for lots of fun hunting for the hidden words around the park.

Complete the phrases and collect your chocolate surprise at the end.

£3 per child, all profits are donated back into local good causes and charities.



## GANDHI CLASS 'MIXED MEDIA MUFFINS!'



## WORLD AUTISM ACCEPTANCE WEEK 2022

This year, [World Autism Acceptance Week](#) ran from 28 March to 3 April.

Autism is a lifelong developmental hidden disability which affects how people communicate and interact with the world around them; this includes sights, sounds and changes in their environment. No two autistic people are the same, with autism presenting itself in different ways with different people. One in 100 people are on the autism spectrum and there are around 700,00 autistic adults and children in the UK.

It is important to raise awareness and understand signs of autism. Below are a list of difficulties autistic people may share:

- Social communication and social interaction challenges
- Repetitive and restrictive behaviour
- Over- or under- sensitivity to light, sound, taste or touch
- Highly focused interests or hobbies
- Extreme anxiety
- Meltdowns and shutdowns



 National Autistic Society | World Autism Acceptance Week  
28 March - 3 April 2022

I'm  
supporting  
World Autism  
Acceptance Week

**UNDERSTANDING  
BEHAVIOUR  
THROUGH  
THE AUTISTIC  
LENS**



## FAMILY FOOTINGS

### WHEN A CHILD WITH AUTISM RESISTS, HOW DO YOU RESPOND?

Monday 25th April, 2022 1-3pm

What can you do? How can you better understand what's going on inside them? What skills can you employ to help them transition back to the flow of things?

Our resident autism and behaviour specialist will guide participants to better understand what's behind an autistic child's experiences and reactions so they can be better equipped to respond well.

If you want to broaden your understanding as well as your toolkit for supporting the autistic children in your life, make sure to register for the workshop quickly, before all the seats get filled.

*"Excellent! Really informative and I will be using all the strategies in class. Thank you."*

Alison, 1-1 TA

#### Workshop Ticket Options

Teachers, parents, carers and adults with SEND are welcome on the course and don't worry - if you can't make it during the workshop time, registration will get you access to the recording.

£58.00  
Teachers & Professionals

Register

£29.00  
Parents & Carers

Register

## SAFE HOME HAPPY HOME ONLINE WORKSHOPS FOR WARWICKSHIRE FAMILIES TO ACCESS

#### About this event

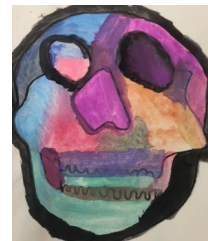
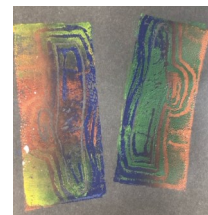
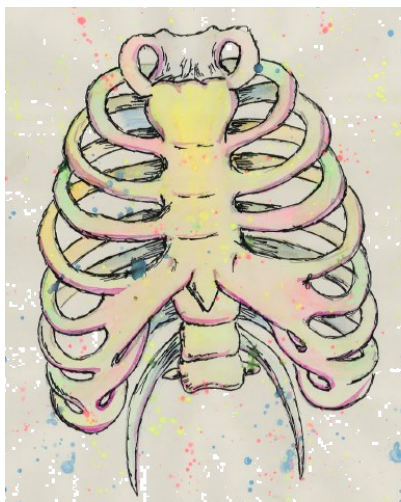
Safe Home, Happy Home Online Parent Workshop. Facilitated by Early Help and Targeted Parent Programme Trainer Team. Children are rewarding, stimulating and fun, but looking after them can be stressful and challenging.

#### The workshop covers the following:

- Ages and stages of development in relation to safety risks
- Safety risks in the home and how to reduce them
- Safety risks outside the home and how to reduce them
- Safety and hygiene in the kitchen
- Fire safety and smoke alarms
- Keeping a clean and tidy environment with children
- Personal hygiene for children

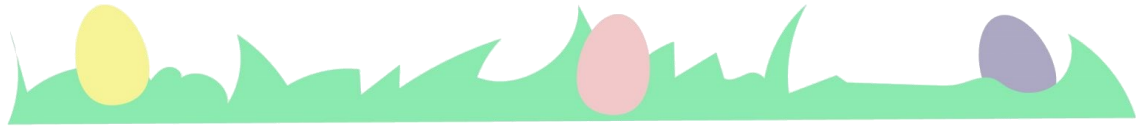
To register for the event please click the link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/warwickshire-safe-home-happy-home-workshop-for-parentscarers-tickets-134637816333?aff=ebsdoporgprofile>

# ALAN TURING, GEORGE ELIOT & WINSTON CHURCHILL CLASSES - ART





# EASTER WORD SEARCH



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 G N E T A L O C O H C A  
 H O T C R O S S B U N S  
 X C H I C K E N S I R I  
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BASKET  
 BONNET  
 EASTER EGG  
 HOT CROSS BUNS  
 CANDY  
 HYACINTH

IRIS  
 CHICKEN  
 CHOCOLATE  
 JELLYBEANS  
 DAFFODILS  
 LAMBS

RABBIT  
 DYE  
 DUCKLINGS  
 SPRING  
 EASTER  
 SUNDAY

## CAN YOU UNSCRAMBLE THESE EASTER ANAGRAMS?

teskab	ccteaoloh	geg tnhu	edocraetd	ingprs
dcouoler sgeg	ybnnu	rrtcao	cckih	etnbo

# GLUTEN FREE MINI EGG CHEESECAKE



...no oven, no bake, no flour, beginner-friendly and tastes absolutely egg-cellent (sorry). And yes, Mini Eggs are gluten-free in the UK!

## Ingredients you'll need

**Gluten-free digestive biscuits:** Commonly found in the free from aisle and don't generally taste any different from 'muggle' digestives.

**Butter:** We'll melt the butter into the crushed biscuits to form a base.

Once chilled, the butter sets to form a wonderfully buttery, biscuit base that holds together without falling apart.

**Full-fat cream cheese or mascarpone cheese:** I prefer to use mascarpone as using cream cheese means the cheesecake begins to 'melt' a little faster. But either way, ensure it's full-fat, otherwise it won't set properly!

**Icing sugar:** The light, powdery sugar vanishes into the cheesecake filling, sweetening the filling and (along with the vanilla extract) ensures it doesn't taste like cheese!

**Vanilla extract:** The better quality your vanilla extract is, the better it will taste – trust me!

**Double cream:** The combo of double cream and cream cheese is the base of any awesome no-bake cheesecake. Plus, they're both the two key ingredients to ensure it sets in the fridge, so don't substitute them for anything else!

**Mini Eggs:** Mini Eggs are gluten-free in the UK! And along with that crisp sugar shell and chunky milk chocolate, they add a flavour combo that just can't be found anywhere else.

### For the base:

- 320 g gluten-free digestive biscuits
- 150 g butter

### For the topping:

- 100 g mini eggs, for decoration

### For the filling:

- 560 g full-fat cream cheese or mascarpone cheese
- 100 g icing sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 300 ml double cream
- 300 g mini eggs, crushed

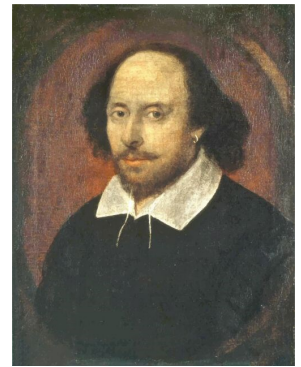


## Instructions

1. Crush your gluten-free digestive biscuits. Place in a sandwich bag and hit them with a rolling pin, or pulse them in a food processor. You can make them quite small or have some chunkier bits.
2. Melt your butter in the microwave in short bursts, mixing in between.
3. Pour your melted butter into your crushed biscuits and mix together, either in a large mixing bowl, or in the bowl of your food processor.
4. Press your biscuit mixture into an 8in (20cm) deep, loose-bottom or springform tin you are going to be making your cheesecake in. Press it down nice and firmly, so it creates a nice, even, flat base.
5. Place the base into the fridge to chill whilst you make your cheesecake top, for at least 30 mins.
6. To make your cheesecake filling, mix together your cream cheese/mascarpone, icing sugar and vanilla extract. Use a low/medium setting to do this, mixing for about 10-20 secs. You could use a stand mixer (with the beater attachment), or an electric hand mixer, but if mixing by hand, ensure everything is well mixed before continuing.
7. Add the double cream and keep mixing until the mixture firms up a little. Use the stand mixer on a medium setting for just under 2 mins for this - try not to over mix though, otherwise it can split and won't set in the fridge!
8. Fold in your crushed mini eggs by hand.
9. Spread your mixture on top of the biscuit base and place into the fridge to set for a minimum of 5 hours. Ideally make the day before and leave it to chill fully overnight.
10. When you are ready to serve, remove cheesecake from tin and top with extra mini eggs - crush some and leave the rest whole. You could also sprinkle some of the dust that comes off the mini eggs as you crush them on top. Enjoy! Keep refrigerated and covered if you have any left over.

# SHAKESPEARE PLAY ANAGRAMS ANSWERS

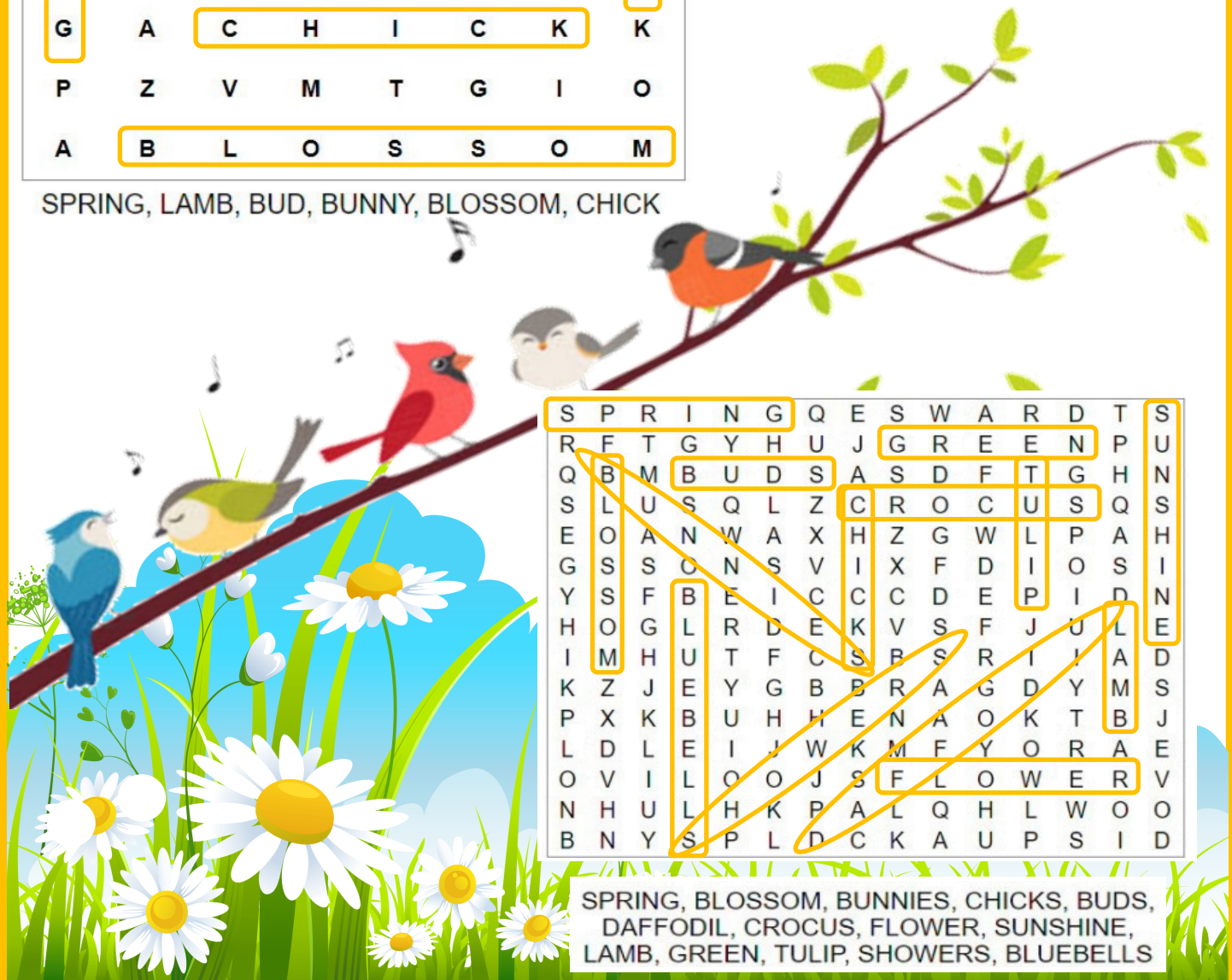
Actor annoyed a plant	Antony and Cleopatra
Casual juries	Julius Caesar
Each confirm the event	The Merchant of Venice
Graded minimum hamsters	A Midsummer Night's Dream
Joined emulator	Romeo and Juliet
Maniac doughnut booth	Much Ado About Nothing



## SPRING PUZZLE ANSWERS

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

SPRING, LAMB, BUD, BUNNY, BLOSSOM, CHICK



S	P	R	I	N	G	Q	E	S	W	A	R	D	T	S
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B	N	Y	S	P	L	D	C	K	A	U	P	S	I	D

SPRING, BLOSSOM, BUNNIES, CHICKS, BUDS, DAFFODIL, CROCUS, FLOWER, SUNSHINE, LAMB, GREEN, TULIP, SHOWERS, BLUEBELLS

## TERM DATES FOR 2021 - 22:

### SPRING TERM 2022

<b>Ends</b>	Friday 8th April 2022
<b>Spring (Easter) holiday</b>	Monday 11th – Friday 22nd April 2022

### SUMMER TERM 2022

<b>Starts</b>	Monday 25th April 2022
<b>Bank Holiday</b>	Monday 2nd May 2022
<b>Half term</b>	Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June 2022
<b>Ends</b>	Wednesday 27th July 2022

## ADDITIONAL DATES FOR DIARY

Year Group	Vaccines to be given	Date
All years	<b>Mop up Session</b>	19/07/2022

## TERM DATES FOR 2022 - 23:

### AUTUMN TERM 2022

<b>INSET day (no learners on site)</b>	Monday 5th September 2022
<b>Starts</b>	Tuesday 6th September 2022
<b>Half term</b>	Monday 24th October - Wednesday 2nd November 2022
<b>Start of term</b>	Thursday 3rd November 2022
<b>Ends</b>	Friday 16th December 2022
<b>Christmas holiday</b>	Monday 19th December 2022 - Monday 2nd January 2023

### SPRING TERM 2023

<b>INSET day (no learners on site)</b>	Tuesday 3rd January 2023
<b>Starts</b>	Wednesday 4th January 2023
<b>Half term</b>	Monday 20th - Friday 24th February 2023
<b>Trust INSET (no learners on site)</b>	Friday 10th March 2023
<b>Ends</b>	Friday 31st March 2023
<b>Spring (Easter) holiday</b>	Monday 3rd - Friday 14th April 2023

### SUMMER TERM 2023

<b>Starts</b>	Monday 17th April 2023
<b>Bank Holiday</b>	Monday 1st May 2023
<b>Half term</b>	Monday 29th - Friday 2nd June 2023
<b>INSET day (no learners on site)</b>	Monday 10th July 2023
<b>INSET day (no learners on site)</b>	Tuesday 11th July 2023
<b>Ends</b>	Friday 28th July 2023

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## MENUS FEB - APRIL 2022

We have lunch delivered by a company called Educaterers, menus run on a 3 week revolving Basis. If there's a day where your child does not like the option they will need to bring in a packed lunch.

<b>MONDAY WEEK 1</b> W/C 07.03, 28.03	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
TUNA MAY SANDWICH	SLICED TURKEY BAP	CHEESE BAP	HAM SANDWICH	EGG & CRESS BAP
BACON BAP	CHEESE & TOMATO PIZZA	LOVES JOES BURGER	CHICKEN POPPER MINI BAGUETTE	FISH FINGER BAP
VEGGIE FINGER SUB	VEGAN HOT DOG	HOT PASTA POT	BBQ JACKFRUIT PIZZA	VEGGIE FINGER BAP

<b>MONDAY WEEK 2</b> W/C 14.03, 04.04	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
CHEESE BAP	CHICKEN SANDWICH	HAM BAP	TUNA MAY SANDWICH	CHEESE BAP
MEATBALL SUB	LOVES JOES BURGER	CHEESE & TOMATO PIZZA	CHICKEN POPPER MINI BAGUETTE	FISH FINGER BAP
BBQ JACKFRUIT PIZZA	HOT PASTA POT	VEGAN HOT DOG	HOT PASTA POT	VEGGIE FINGER BAP

<b>MONDAY WEEK 3</b> W/C 28.02, 21.03, 11.04	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
CHEESE SANDWICH	TURKEY SANDWICH	TUNA BAP	CHICKEN BAP	CHEESE BAP
LOVES JOES BURGER	CHEESE & TOMATO PIZZA	CHICKEN POPPER MINI BAGUETTE	HOT DOG	FISH FINGER BAP
HOT PASTA POT	VEGAN HOT DOG	VEGGIE FINGER SUB	HOT PASTA POT	VEGGIE FINGER BAP

## SAFEGUARDING & FAMILY FOOTINGS



- **Daisy** is responsible for lower school families and is available on;  
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- **Joan** is responsible for upper school families and is available on;  
[Joan.goodrich@macintyreacademies.org](mailto:Joan.goodrich@macintyreacademies.org) Work mobile 07377990796

We are available to help families with things like accessing family support, Early Help, Child In Need Meetings, Child Protection Meetings, taxi queries, support working with other professionals such as CAMHS, general safeguarding questions and much more.

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CV22 5PE

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T: 01788 593 112

### How to contact members of staff:

Please contact Reception if you would like to speak with a member of staff. You will either be transferred or reception will email the member of staff to let them know that you have called.

### Reporting pupil absence and lateness:

If your child is absent for more than 7 days you will need to provide a doctors certificate. If we do not receive a doctors note and have not seen your child we will have no alternative but to refer the matter to the Safeguarding Board in line with our safeguarding procedures.



Please can we remind parent/carers to call school on **01788 593 112**, before 9am if your child may be late or is unwell.

You will also need to contact the taxi company to let them know.

