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Dear Parents,

Fortunately the rumoured bad weather failed to materialise, but thank you for updating your contact numbers for our severe weather plan. If the worst does come to the worst, and school is forced to close, we will ring to inform you.

This week I have been working with other local headteachers on developing the assessment systems that are used across our schools. As you know the assessments had to change last year when 'levels' were no longer to be used. It is very helpful to consider the changes with other colleagues and to moderate our teaching and pupils' work to ensure that we all have the same expectations.

I would like to say a personal thank you to everybody who organised the toy sale last weekend, and a special thanks to Rachel Baily for all her efforts. I have heard it was a brilliant success. Thank you too for everyone who sorted out their toys for the sale and to children, parents, staff and governors for attending.

This week Class 1 have made a castle which they are using in their role play for their literacy topic on dragons. They have dressed up as princesses and painted glittery dragon's eggs. A fabulous fantasy week and a topic which they are thoroughly enjoying.



For science this week Class 2 pupils have been experimenting with states of matter – melting / heating ice, butter, chocolate, candles etc. to understand more about solids, liquids and gases. They have started planning their own stories in literacy, and for history they have been learning about Victorian times, and made a timeline of the school from the evidence they have gathered so far.

We have also been thinking of some questions to ask Mr Trace – who was Headteacher at Farway School in the 80's and who has very kindly agreed to come into school on Monday, 30th December to talk to the children about Farway in the past.

The coach is booked and the tickets purchased for the children to see Aladdin at The Barnfield Theatre on Monday 7th December. Please ensure the permission slips are returned early next week to ensure that all goes smoothly. Don't forget that we won't be back from Exeter until approximately 4.15pm.

In order for your photograph orders to be returned before the end of term, please send in your photograph orders on Monday next week. The company will accept orders after this date, but you will be charged additional processing and postage fees.

On 8th December and 16th December (see diary dates for timings) we are holding Open Mornings at Farway School. We look forward to welcoming visitors and prospective parents and children into our school and showing them what our school has to offer. Please tell family and friends about this opportunity.

Thank you for all your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Farway School

On behalf of Farway School and the PTFA. A MASSIVE THANK YOU to everyone who donated toys or came and supported the Toy Sale on Saturday. A total of £227 was raised which will pay for the children to visit the theatre this Christmas.

Collective Worship Activity



FASCINATING FACTS

Have you ever heard the saying to 'eat **humble** pie'?

- When someone 'eats **humble** pie' it means they have to admit to being wrong and sometimes give an apology.
- The phrase has been around for six centuries (600 years)!
- Back in the 15th century the tastier, more expensive cuts of meat were usually only eaten by rich people and were often roasted.
- The offal (liver, kidneys, heart, sweetmeats) was considered poorer quality meat and known as 'umbles'. It needed to be cooked more slowly and was often used in pies.
- The poorer people therefore made Umble Pie. Over time the pie became known as **humble** pie.



Dates for your Diary

Mrs Gray will be in school on Thursday next week

Monday, 7th December – Aladdin at Exeter, Barnfield Theatre

Tuesday 8th December – Craft Club

Tuesday 8th December – Open Afternoon from 2.30pm – 4pm

Thursday 10th December – Christmas Lunch

Thursday 10th December – Farway Christmas Performance 6.00pm

Wednesday 16th December – Open Morning from 10.30 – 11.45 am

Friday 18th December – End of Term



If you find you have too many Christmas decorations, or are changing your colour scheme, we would be grateful for donations of any excess tree or room decorations to help cheer up the school ones, which have been with us for many years. Thank you.

Please order meals for the whole week and return this slip with your week's choices on Monday morning.

Should you wish to change your order, we will be able to make adjustments on the day, so if a child is absent, or just if you change your mind, we'll be able to cancel any meal previously ordered (or add one on!)

Please notify the office of any changes as we no longer call the dinner register in class.

NEXT WEEK'S MENU – Week 2 – Please fill in the order form below and return to school

MONDAY	Sausage Roll, Baked Beans & Mashed Potato
	Vegetarian Sausage Roll, Baked Beans & Mashed Potato
	PACKED LUNCH: WHITE SOFT FINGER ROLL With Choice Of: HAM, TUNA MAYO, EGG MAYO or MILD CHEDDAR SIDE: of Mixed Sticks: Carrot, Celery & Cucumber with Humous Dip
	Chocolate Mousse
TUESDAY	Roast Pork with Apple Sauce, Seasonal Vegetables and Roast Potatoes
	Roast Vegetable Tartlet, Seasonal Vegetables and Roast Potatoes
	PACKED LUNCH: WRAP with Choice of: MILD, SPICY CHICKEN or SPICY BEANS with LETTUCE SIDE: of GRATED MILD CHEDDAR and CHERRY TOMATO
	Yoghurt
WEDNESDAY	Ham Pizza Sticks with Mixed Salad
	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Sticks with Mixed Salad
	PACKED LUNCH: WHOLEMEAL SOFT FINGER ROLL With Choice Of: BLT (unsmoked) or SLICED EGG (& salad cream) SIDE: of HOMEMADE WALDORF SALAD (without walnuts)
	Banana Custard
THURSDAY	Cottage Pie with Peas & Carrots
	Vegetarian Cottage Pie with Peas & Carrots
	PACKED LUNCH: COLD PASTA POT With Choice Of: HAM or HALLOUMI in a Tangy Tomato Sauce SIDE: of BUTTERED CHEESE SCONE
	Fresh Fruit Salad
FRIDAY	Fish Goujons with Chips, Coleslaw & Salad
	Cheesey Wheels with Chips, Coleslaw & Salad
	PACKED LUNCH: MULTIGRAIN SOFT FINGER ROLL With Choice Of: ROAST PORK & PICKLE or TUNA SALAD SIDE: of COLD VEGETABLE FRIED RICE POT
	Flapjack

Salad to include: Lettuce, Cucumber, Grated Carrot, Grapes, Cherry Tomatoes, Coleslaw

Drink: 200ml Semi Skimmed Milk is included with each meal

Please order meals for _____

	Menu Choices for Week Beginning 30 th November, 2015	Cost
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
	Amount Enclosed	£
	– Please make cheques payable to Devon County Council	

Please ensure this form is returned to school on Monday morning