

Thursday 29th April 2021

Dear Parent / Carer,

From next week we are launching our new Remarkable Lunchtimes. This will be a big and very exciting change to the way we run our lunchtime provision in school. We are really looking forward to lunchtimes feeling like a very special time of the day for everyone in school.

- Children will be seated at octagonal tables rather than long benches, on chairs rather than on stools.



- Food will be served 'family style', from tureens in the centre of each table, rather than children having to queue for food.



- The children's class teachers will staff lunchtimes, rather than support staff.
- There will be a reward programme in place for children to earn stickers for meeting Remarkable Lunchtimes criteria - the stickers will result in an end of year surprise

reward... watch this space! Click on the link for a preview [JC CPA Lunchtime sticker chart April 2021](#)

- Children will have set places in the dining hall, with their class.
- Packed lunches will be eaten at designated packed lunch tables. We will now be asking all children who have a packed lunch to bring all of their rubbish home with them so that you can see exactly what they have / haven't eaten and you can then recycle the rubbish at home.
- After they have eaten the children will be taken to the back playspace. A football coach and a dance coach from The Hunslet Club will join us at various points through each week to run sessions for the children. We know they will love this as they have missed their sports sessions so much!
- On the back playspace children will also have access to climbing equipment, lots of play equipment (hoops, cups and balls, parachutes, skipping ropes etc) and a quiet zone for those who want to sit and chill out!
- Lunchtimes will continue to be 35 minutes long in total, rather than 45 minutes long as we have found that this has been better for all - the children haven't got time to get bored and are fresher for learning earlier in the day.

As this is a big change we are introducing this gradually.

Next week (w/c Tuesday 4th May) Early Years and KS1 will start on Remarkable lunchtimes, the week after (w/c 10th May) Lower Key Stage Two will start and then finally Upper Key Stage Two in week three (w/c 17th May).

We hope that your child will really benefit from this new programme and that they will earn lots of stickers. Please do keep in touch with any feedback as we want to get this right for all.

Thanks so much as always for your continued support,

Mrs K M Bentley
Headteacher

Please help us to keep you, your child and our staff safe by:

- staying at home if you or your child is ill or showing symptoms
- engaging with the track and trace system
- notifying the school immediately of the results of a Covid19 test