

### School Dinners

As previously communicated on last week's newsletter, the daily cost for dinners is £13.25 per week, which is paid via ParentPay.

We would also like to remind you that we operate a zero-debt policy on ParentPay. Therefore, if your child is on school dinners, and you are required to pay for school dinners, there could be the possibility that you will be asked to move your child onto packed lunches if you do not keep up to date with payments.

Additionally, please could you inform the school office if you are moving your child either from school dinners to packed lunches or from packed lunches to school dinners. This is to allow us to enter information into the system correctly and to inform the school catering team of accurate numbers for school meals. Thank you.

### British Values

This half term, in class and whole school assemblies, we are continuing to promote children's knowledge and understanding of British Values. Last week, children learnt about 'Democracy' and in particular how Emmeline Pankhurst fought for the rights of women to be able to vote.



### Walking Home from School

As a school, with parent/carer consent, we allow children in Years 5 and 6 to walk home on their own. Can we please remind parents and carers that if children are not behaving themselves on the way home from school or are putting themselves in danger, as highlighted in our walking home from school policy, we will have to insist that children are collected if we have any concerns. Thank you for your understanding and support with this matter.

### Diary Dates

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September – School Individual Photograph Day  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October – School closes for October half term holiday.  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – School reopens for second autumn half term.



# Newsletter

## Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> September

### Merit Winners

Congratulations to our well-deserved winners. They have been superb role models and have demonstrated a good understanding of Democracy. They should be extremely proud of themselves!



### Asda Cashpot for Schools

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for the Asda Cashpot for Schools. So far you have raised £140 for the school. There is still plenty of time to register as the scheme is still open until the 30<sup>th</sup> November. Thank you all again.

[Cashpot for schools \(asda.com\)](https://www.asda.com/cashpot-for-schools)

### Y5 Residential

We are all set for the Year 5 Residential visit to Carlton Adventure on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. If you have any questions about final details, please feel free to ring the school office and ask. For more information about Carlton Adventure, please click on the link below:

[Outdoor Activities Provider | Carlton Adventure | Middlesbrough](#)



If you haven't yet paid the remaining balance, please can you log into parent pay to pay the final payment. Thank you in advance.

### Jewellery

A polite reminder that we only permit small stud earrings in school. For safety reasons, we ask that children do not wear hoop earrings as these can lead to accidents.

We also ask that if it is your child's PE day, earrings are removed for the lesson. If your child is not able to remove earrings, please can they be covered up before coming into school.

### Summer Half-Term Holiday 2025

As previously communicated, we have, as we did during previous years, organised all five of our PD days into one week. This is for the first week of June 2025, which is the first week of the last half-term of this academic year. This week follows on from the official half-term holiday (Whit Week).

As a result, school will close at home time on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025 and will re-open on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

The link below will take you to our 2024-25 term dates.

[Confirmed School Term Dates 2024-25 V2.pdf](#)  
[fensprimaryschool.co.uk](https://www.fensprimaryschool.co.uk)