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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Spring Menu

Please find attached to this letter the menus for the Spring Term 2019. As mentioned in previous letters, we are continually looking at the meal provision this year to improve the level of choice, and hopefully increase the numbers of children having a school lunch. We have examined what was successful on the menu in the Autumn Term and have tried to make it even better for the Spring Term.

Please remember that although some of the familiar items have the potential to be unhealthy, we follow strict guidelines, so many of the choices are much lower in fat and sugar than similar versions that may be bought from supermarkets. Despite the fish fillet in breadcrumbs being a better product, the waste with fish fingers is far less than the fillets.

You will note that we have removed jacket potatoes from the menu completely as often the kitchen staff would order these in but the uptake on them was very low so they would go to waste. There have also been occasions where children have ordered jacket potatoes but at lunchtime they have decided they want the other choice on the menu.

You will also notice that to help accuracy and to help parents keep track of what is on the menu week to week, the dates for that week are shown at the top of each menu. Due to relying on multiple suppliers, we do everything we can to make sure that the menu is accurate, but there may be occasions when we have to make small changes to what is being served that day.

I would also appreciate support with the children trying new things on the menu. Please can I ask that parents go through the menu with children before they come in to school to ensure that children know what is on the menu each day. We have had some instances where children are becoming upset as they do not like what is on the menu. This has meant that the kitchen staff have to prepare extra food and will hopefully help to cut down on food waste.

Yours sincerely

Mr Thompson
Headteacher