



08/12/23

Week Two  
Dinner menu  
From 11th  
December

## CIPS Weekly Bulletin

### Open Day

We had a fantastic Open Day at school on Wednesday, with lots of people being welcomed into our school. Thank you so much for spreading the word and inviting friends and family. Thank you also to all the choir and other pupils who came to help in this wonderful event.



We had past pupils doing a fabulous job as tour guides and it was lovely to see them and to hear their news. We would like to give a huge thank you to Mrs Millar who organised the event and to all the staff who assisted her in making this a wonderful event!

### Cash for Kids

We are delighted to be receiving a donation from Cash for Kids. It is not too late to apply if you are struggling this Christmas. If so, contact the school office or email us at [info@cliftonville.belfast.ni.sch.uk](mailto:info@cliftonville.belfast.ni.sch.uk). All information will be treated sensitively and discreetly.



Like last year, it would be useful if you provide the age and gender of your child(ren) so that we can ensure that we match the presents with them. Even if all your children don't attend CIPS, please provide their details also. There is no guarantee that we can help everyone who needs it so please do this early as we anticipate running a collection day early in December. Initially, this is for parents of our school as other local schools are running similar schemes. However, where you know someone with pre-school children only who is experiencing hardship, then we are happy to take their details, provided you have their consent.

### Christmas Dinner



A reminder to all of you who have booked this dinner, it takes place on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** and the children may add to the festive feel by wearing a **Christmas jumper**, over their uniform, if they have one. We know this is always a popular event which the children really enjoy!

Please note that the canteen menu will change slightly next week, beginning the 11<sup>th</sup> December. It is attached at the end of this bulletin.



December is now upon us and we just wanted to remind you all of the festive events that we have planned. Please see the list below so that you don't miss out!

When?	What?	Where?	Who?	Details
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Concerts	Assembly Hall	Parents	Parents of P3 and P4 performance 9.30am and P5-7 performance 1.15pm. For both events please be seated 5mins before start times.
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> and Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity	Assembly Hall	Parents	Parents should be seated before the performance starts at 9.30am. Free tickets will be available on School Money from Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December or from the school office.
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Disco	Assembly Hall	Pupils	Classes will be timetabled to attend this. Pupils may wear Christmas jumpers/party clothes.
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Last day of term	Whole School	Everyone	12pm finish for all children. Pupils may wear non-uniform. No clubs and no bus.
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	School starts back	Whole School	Everyone	Normal times apply

### Gardening Club

Last Gardening Club of 2023 will be next **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December** from 11am-1pm. Everyone welcome to join Aisling at the Outdoor Classroom where she will be cooking around the campfire. New dates will be provided in January for Term Two.



**And Finally.....**

We would like to thank all the pupils and teachers for all the hard work that they are doing in preparing for our Nativity and Christmas events. We are all looking forward to these special school events next week.

# Reminders

## Approaching Children/Other Parents

From time to time, children fall out or incidents can occur. We encourage all our children to speak directly to a member of staff when this happens in order to resolve the issue. As a school we will always attempt to resolve school-based incidents to the satisfaction of all concerned. With this in mind, I would like to remind parents and carers that they should not approach any child / parent directly as a result of an alleged incident that occurred in school. We would ask that parents speak directly to the class teacher or another staff member.

## Easton Avenue

I would like to thank all those parents who have used Easton Avenue with consideration for both our neighbours and the other parents when they have been dropping off and picking children up. We would ask all parents to be vigilant and if you see a member of our school community parking or driving in these areas, report it to the school, including vehicle registration numbers.



Despite numerous appeals, some parents continue to ignore our pleas and selfishly park or drive into this street. This is not only a breach of the law around parking on a private road but more importantly, a danger to the parents and children who are walking their children to and from our school. We will continue to liaise with the residents and the PSNI to resolve this issue.

In the meantime, this will be monitored over the next week and if the situation does not improve, Easton Avenue will be shut until further notice. This will unfortunately impact on all parents, including those who have been observing the rules and respecting our neighbours. Parents should have also received a text message about this so please pass this information onto anyone collecting your children.

**PLEASE OBSERVE THIS SIMPLE RULE-**  
**DO NOT PARK OR DRIVE ON EASTON AVENUE!!!!**

## Dogs on school property

Despite numerous reminders, some parents are still bringing their pooches into school grounds. Please **do not bring your dog onto school property** – this is an Education Authority regulation.

Dogs, even on leads, cannot enter the playground or be inside the school gates or on the school paths. Even the cutest, gentlest and most obedient dog can have a 'bad day' which could result in a child being scarred for life! Please work with the school to keep everyone safe.





# EAT SMART WITH THE LUNCH BUNCH

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**WEEK TWO**  
WEEK COMMENCING:  
SEP 18, OCT 16, NOV 13,  
DEC 11, JAN 15, FEB 12

## MONDAY

Sausage  
Roll

Baked Beans

and

Chipped Potato

**DESSERT**

Ice Cream  
&  
Fruit Salad

## TUESDAY

Savoury Mince

Broccoli

and

Mash Potatoes

**DESSERT**

Yogurt  
&  
Fresh Fruit

## WEDNESDAY

Chicken Curry  
&  
Naan Bread

Steamed Rice

**Dessert**

Choc Muffin  
&  
Milk Shake

## THURSDAY

**Christmas Dinner**

Turkey + Ham  
Stuffing  
Cocktail Sausages

Carrots + Peas

and

Mashed Potato/Oven Roast  
Potato

**DESSERT**

Ice Cream Tubs  
&  
Orange Juice

## FRIDAY

Beef Burger  
&  
Gravy

Sweetcorn

and

Chipped Potatoes

**DESSERT**

Flake meal Biscuit  
&  
Milk

MILK, WATER, BREAD AND  
FRESH FRUIT AVAILABLE DAILY

MENU MAY CHANGE DUE  
TO DELIVERY CHANGES

IF YOU REQUIRE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON ALLERGENS OR  
SPECIAL DIETS PLEASE CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL