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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been great to finally welcome you all to our new building this week. The children have quickly settled in and they have enjoyed exploring their new environment and new resources. As you can see from the Reception newsletter, the children have been making kites and drawing in the style of Picasso.

I also enjoyed teaching them on Tuesday afternoon and we will be focusing on the story, 'Handa's Surprise' for the next few weeks. After reading the story, the children were able to choose their favourite animal to draw. Some of the children were able to experience the teaching kitchen for the first time as well, and sampled the different fruits which Handa put in her basket. We were really impressed with how the children were willing to taste new fruits and describe them. All the children will get the opportunity to do this over the next few weeks.

Both Reception classes have had PE for the first time this week. Changing into PE kits is always a bit tricky the first few times and we did manage to misplace a few pairs of socks and a pair of trousers. Thank you for your patience as we try to reunite your child with their clothes!!

Newhall Nursery opened on Monday and the staff and children have already started to settle into their routines. We still have some funded places available and we also offer paid places from 7.30am-6pm. Please contact the Newhall Primary Academy and Nursery Office for further information or to arrange a visit.

Our Extended School provision also opened this week and this is proving popular with the children. At Breakfast Club children are offered a selection of cereals or toast with butter or jam and water or milk. There are then a variety of activities available for the children, including board games, reading, drawing and construction. Mr Morris and Miss Gibbs set up organised group activities for the After School Club and serve tea.

Jo, our Catering Manager, has done a fantastic job this week, providing our children with hot meals and preparing snacks and tea for the Nursery and tea for After School Club. Lunch times in the school have developed over the course of the week, as staff and children get to grips with the new routines. The

children are learning how to clear away their own plates and the importance of saying please and thank you.

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| tion 1 | Mexican Chicken in a | Cheese & Tomato Pizza | Roast Turkey & Stuffing served | Homemade Sausage Roll | Omega 3 Fish Fingers |
| | Taco served with Mexican | served with Coleslaw & | with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal | served with New Potatoes | served with Oven Chips |
| | Style Rice & Salad | Mixed Leaf Salad | Vegetables and Gravy | and Baked Beans | and Garden Peas |
| tion 2 | Sweet Potato, Pepper & Lentil Risotto | Tuna Pasta Bake served with Sweetcorn & Mixed Leaf Salad | Spinach & Ricotta Frittata served with Roast Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables | Homemade Meat Free Sausage Roll served with New Potatoes and Baked Beans | Cheesy Wholemeal Wrap Stack served with Oven Chips and Garden Peas |
| ssert | Freshly Cut Fruit | Freshly Cut Fruit | Freshly Cut Fruit | Freshly Cut Fruit | Freshly Cut Fruit |
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| | Organic Fruit Yoghurt | Organic Fruit Yoghurt | Organic Fruit Yoghurt | Organic Fruit Yoghurt | Organic Fruit Yoghurt |
| | or | or | or | or | or |
| | Shortbread Biscuit | Fruit Jelly | Frozen Yoghurt | Iced Chocolate Sponge | Fruit Flapjack |

Please see the menu below for next week:



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Thank you to everyone who attended the Phonics Information Session and Parent Forum on Thursday. It was really helpful to have your input and I will produce a summary of what was discussed next week. I also hope that you enjoyed your tour of the building this week. More furniture is arriving daily and it won't be long before we have a fully operational library!

Next Week

We have a busy week ahead of us next week. On Tuesday the children have their individual and class photos. Please see the Photo letter which came out earlier on this week for further information. We also have FM Litho in on Thursday morning and they will be taking photographs for our 2018-2019 Newhall Primary Academy and Nursery Prospectus. Please can you make sure that your children have their full nursery/school uniform and PE kit with them on this day. They will be taking photographs across both the nursery and the school.

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday next week the permanent hand rails are being fitted at the front of the buildings.

On Friday we have our first Harvest Festival for the children in Reception. This will take place at 9am in the school hall and Reception parents are more than welcome to join us. It should last no longer than 15 minutes.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Debbie Gayler