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Dear Parents/Carers,

The children in Reception have had lots of excitement this week with their topic as they were visited by a Bee Keeper on Tuesday. They learnt how to look after bees, how bees make honey and how to make their own wax candle.



Children in Reception and Nursery are also very excited about the caterpillars they have in their classes. The caterpillars in Reception have already created their cocoons and we are expecting the ones in Nursery to transform next week.

Mrs Smart and I attended an Artsmark Development Day on Tuesday. Over the next two years we will be developing the arts across the curriculum and through the enrichment opportunities we offer the children both during the school day and after school. We also welcomed Inspire Harlow to our school on Monday evening, where we discussed how we can work with other like-minded professionals in Harlow to develop the opportunities we can offer together as a group of schools.

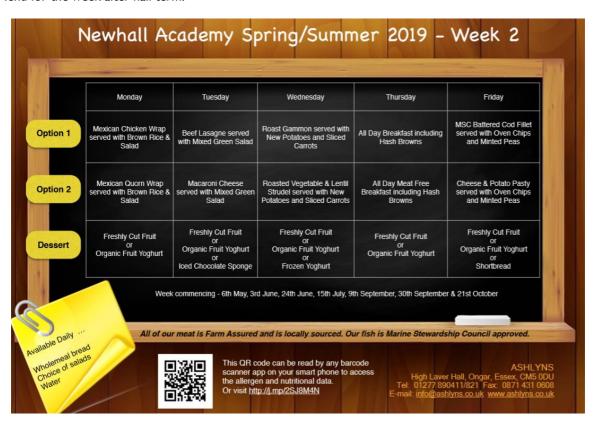
We started transition visits for our new children who start in September this week. Mrs O'Neill has also spent a couple of sessions in Bluebell Class to get to know the children who will be joining the school next year. We have our first transition for Reception into Year I on 13th June. Children will get to meet their new class teacher on this day.

We had our Early Years moderation visit from the Local Authority today and the moderator looked at a variety of books and Learning Journals for several children. We are really pleased that she has agreed all of our judgements and she was very impressed with the progress she could see in books.

Thank you to everyone who sent in donations for the Summer Fayre today. We are definitely going to have some great prizes in the raffle and tombola. All chocolates were inside so they did not melt in the sun, therefore they are not in the photo!



Menu for the week after half term:



I hope you have a lovely half term. Please remember that it is a Staff Development Day on Monday 3^{rd} June and therefore the children return on Tuesday 4^{th} June. If your child attends Nursery all year round then they should attend as normal.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Debbie Gayler