



ideal MEALS for Schools

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Term 3

5th January - 13th February 2026

Welcome to our Term 3 Menu!

Our menus offer a wide variety of tried & tested child-friendly recipes, that meet and often exceed the national standards for school lunches.

Full allergen information is available and special dietary requirements can be catered for. You can view allergens when ordering online.

Should your child have a medically diagnosed allergy or health condition and you'd like to discuss what we can offer, please contact us.



Supporting the local economy and keeping food miles low is really important to us.

We're fortunate to have worked with two main, local suppliers from the outset.



The renowned Simpsons Butchers, supply our high welfare meat, traceable right back to the farm.

Jonathon Hull provides a large proportion of the fresh vegetables and potatoes used in our meals, many of which are grown in Lincolnshire.



More recently, we have started working with the fantastic team over at Bloomsbury Bakery. This Grantham based company, managed by a Father and son, have been trading for over 30 years.

Theme Days

School Meal Extravaganza

Join us for a prize winning lunch packed with great food and great rewards.

By choosing a school lunch this school meal Census Day, you not only enter for a fantastic prize but also help provide additional funding for your child's school.

Children from participating schools will have the opportunity to win a bake at home cookie bag.

23rd Jan

BIG GARDEN BIRDWATCH

The world's largest garden wildlife survey takes place this weekend.

We're calling all peck-ish budding bird watchers - Fly in today for our bird themed lunch packed with fun, flavour and flappy excitement.

5th Feb

time to talk day

Today we're celebrating the power of talking!

At lunchtime, sit with a friend, share a smile, and tell each other about your day.

There is no better time to talk than over a tasty meal!



13th Feb

Valentine's Day

A day to celebrate the people closest to our hearts – our cherished friends and loved ones.

Whether we exchange handmade cards, bake sweet treats, or simply enjoy meaningful time together, Valentine's Day is all about sharing love in the ways that matter most.

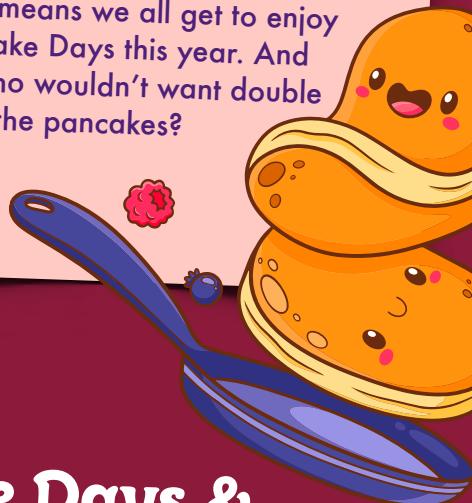
Let's fill our dining halls with love, laughter, and kindness today!



Early Pancake Day

Join us for a flipping good time!

With the end of term coming up, we didn't want to miss out on Pancake Day – so we're celebrating a little early! That means we all get to enjoy two Pancake Days this year. And really... who wouldn't want double the pancakes?



Theme Days & Special Events

Our catering team can create customised menus to support classroom topics, seasonal events, or whole school celebrations.

Have a theme day coming up? Get in touch at enquiries@idealschoolmeals.co.uk and we'll work with you to design a menu that fits your needs.



Try our

Quorn Sausage, Baked Bean & Cheesy Mash Pie

on Tuesday 6th January

	Monday 5th Jan	Tuesday 6th Jan	Wednesday 7th Jan	Thursday 8th Jan	Friday 9th Jan
Lunch Option 1	Simpsons Puff Pastry Sausage Roll	Creamy Tomato Pasta & Bread Selection	Mild & Creamy Cocconut Chicken Curry & Rice	Roast Beef	MSC Breaded Fish Fingers
Lunch Option 2	N/A Today	Tuna Melt Baguette	Quorn Sausage, Baked Bean & Cheesy Mash Pie	BBQ Chicken Breast	Ham & Cheese Puff Pastry Pocket
Lunch Option 3	Breaded Vegetable Fingers	Mega Mild Mixed Bean Chilli & Rice	Cheese Filled Potato Shells	Savoury Minced Quorn	1/2 Cheese & Tomato Bagel
1, 2 & 3 served with	Mashed Potato & Baked Beans	Peas & Sweetcorn	Mixed Vegetables	Mashed Potato & Mixed Vegetables	Diced Roast Potatoes, Peas & Ketchup
Lunch Option 4	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings
Lunch Option 5	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Sliced Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Sliced Ham Baguette
4 & 5 served with	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad
Dessert Option D	Apple Crumble & Custard	Ice Cream Sponge Roll	Jam Swirl Sponge Cake & Custard	Oat Cookie	Shortbread Finger & Fresh Fruit Platter
Dessert Option Y	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt
Dessert Option F	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit

School Meal Extravaganza

Thursday 15th January

Monday
12th Jan

Tuesday
13th Jan

Wednesday
14th Jan

Thursday
15th Jan

Friday
16th Jan

Lunch
Option 1

Cheese &
Tomato Pizza
Slices & Ketchup

Beef Lasagne

Roast Chicken

Winner Winner
Sausage Brunch
Dinner

MSC Breaded
Fishcake

Lunch
Option 2

Macaroni
Cheese

One Pot Chicken,
Onion & Pepper
Fajita Rice

Ham, Cauliflower
& Broccoli Bake

Champion Cheese
& Bacon Turnover

Sliced Gammon
Ham (served
chilled)

Lunch
Option 3

Potato, Lentil &
Vegetable Curry
& Rice

Vegetable
Lasagne

Quorn Sausage
Casserole

Contest Cheese &
Potato Pasty

Breaded Veggie
Nuggets

1, 2 & 3
served with

Peas &
Sweetcorn

Mixed
Vegetables

Diced Roast
Potatoes & Mixed
Vegetables

Showdown Hash
Brown & Battle
Baked Beans

Mashed Potato &
Baked Beans

Lunch
Option 4

Jacket Potato
with a selection
of fillings

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Lunch
Option 5

Tuna Mayo
Baguette

Cheese Baguette

Sliced Ham
Baguette

Chicken Mayo
Baguette

Sliced Ham
Baguette

4 & 5
served with

Served with
Mixed Salad

Dessert
Option D

Cherry Oat
Cookie

Toffee & Banana
Sponge Cake &
Custard

Raspberry Jelly

Competition
Chocolate
Cracknel

Oat Berry Finger
& Melon Slice

Dessert
Option Y

Yeo Valley
Organic Yoghurt

Dessert
Option F

Fresh Fruit

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Fresh Fruit



BIG GARDEN BIRDWATCH

Friday 23rd January

	Monday 19th Jan	Tuesday 20th Jan	Wednesday 21st Jan	Thursday 22nd Jan	Friday 23rd Jan
Lunch Option 1	Cheese & Tomato Pasta Bake & Bread Selection	Savoury Minced Beef in Gravy & Mashed Potato	Roast Gammon	BBQ Chicken Breast	Chirpy Chicken Burger with Hash Brown & Ketchup
Lunch Option 2	Mild Mixed Bean Chilli & Baked Potato	BBQ Chicken Pizza Baguette	Salmon Quiche	Waffle Top Beef Cottage Pie	Cheese & Bacon Potato Nests
Lunch Option 3	Quorn Sausage, Baked Bean & Cheesy Mash Pie	Cheese Filled Potato Shells	Cheese & Bean Pasty	Quorn Fishless Fingers	Peckish Pitta Pizza
1, 2 & 3 served with	Mixed Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables	Diced Roast Potatoes & Mixed Vegetables	Mashed Potato & Baked Beans	Swallow Spaghetti Loops & Cuckoo Crudité Platter
Lunch Option 4	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings
Lunch Option 5	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Sliced Ham Baguette	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Sliced Ham Baguette
4 & 5 served with	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad
Dessert Option D	Butterscotch Cookie	Lemon Buttercream Sponge Cake	Cocoa Oat Cookie	Chocolate Pear Sponge & Chocolate Sauce	Shortbread Bird Biscuit & Fruit Platter
Dessert Option Y	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt
Dessert Option F	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit

Beef Lasagne

Grab it on Tuesday 27th Jan



	Monday 26th Jan	Tuesday 27th Jan	Wednesday 28th Jan	Thursday 29th Jan	Friday 30th Jan
Lunch Option 1	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Slices & Ketchup	Beef Lasagne	Mild & Creamy Coconut Chicken Curry & Rice	Creamy Ham & Cheese Pasta	MSC Battered Fish Fillet
Lunch Option 2	Bacon Mac' Cheese	Ham & Cheese Potato Shells	Beef Cottage Pie	Cheese & Bacon Flatbread & Ketchup	Ham & Cheese Puff Pastry Pocket
Lunch Option 3	Mega Mild Mixed Bean Chilli & Rice	Quorn & Vegetable Cottage Pie	Cheese & Tomato Pasta Bake	Mixed Bean & Rice Burrito	Cheese Flan
1, 2 & 3 served with	Peas & Sweetcorn	Mixed Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables	Rainbow Salad Platter	Diced Roast Potatoes & Baked Beans
Lunch Option 4	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings				
Lunch Option 5	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Sliced Ham Baguette	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Sliced Ham Baguette
4 & 5 served with	Served with Mixed Salad				
Dessert Option D	Tutti Frutti Biscuit	Banana Cake & Custard	Ice Cream Sponge Roll	Toffee Apple Sponge Cake & Custard	Strawberry Jelly
Dessert Option E	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt				
Dessert Option F	Fresh Fruit				

time to talk day



	Monday 2nd Feb	Tuesday 3rd Feb	Wednesday 4th Feb	Thursday 5th Feb	Friday 6th Feb
Lunch Option 1	Macaroni Cheese & Bread Selection	Roast Chicken & Mashed Potato	Beef Bolognese Pasta	Build a Burger - Beef Burger & Fresh Roll	MSC Breaded Fish Fingers
Lunch Option 2	Vegetable Hot Pot	One Pot Chicken, Onion & Pepper Fajita Rice	Cheese & Ham Slider	Cheese & Bacon Turnover	BBQ Chicken Breast
Lunch Option 3	Mild Mexican Bean Wrap	Creamy Vegetable Puff Pastry Pie & Mashed Potato	Quorn Bolognese Pasta	Quorn Patty, & Fresh Roll	Breaded Veggie Nuggets
1, 2 & 3 served with	Peas & Diced Carrots	Mixed Vegetables	Rainbow Salad Platter	Hash Brown, Baked Beans & Ketchup	Potato Wedges, Peas & Ketchup
Lunch Option 4	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings
Lunch Option 5	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Sliced Ham Baguette	Egg Mayo Baguette	Sliced Ham Baguette
4 & 5 served with	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad
Dessert Option D	Oat Cookie	Chocolate Cracknel	Peaches & Squirty Cream	Chocolate Marble Sponge Cake & Buttercream	Flapjack Finger & Orange Wedge
Dessert Option E	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt
Dessert Option F	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit

Early Pancake Day

on Tues 10th Feb

	Monday 9th Feb	Tuesday 10th Feb	Wednesday 11th Feb	Thursday 12th Feb	Friday 13th Feb
Lunch Option 1	Creamy Tomato Pasta & Bread Selection	Lincolnshire Sausage	Mild & Creamy Coconut Chicken & Rice	Beef Lasagne	Sliced Gammon Ham (served chilled)
Lunch Option 2	Salmon & Potato Bake	Ham, Cauliflower & Broccoli Bake	Creamy Ham & Cheese Pasta	BBQ Chicken Pizza Baguette	Cheese & Bean Pasty
Lunch Option 3	Quorn Sausage, Baked Bean & Cheesy Mash Pie	Quorn Mince & Vegetable Casserole	Cheese Filled Potato Shells	Vegetable Lasagne	Quorn Puff Pastry Sausage Roll
1, 2 & 3 served with	Peas, Sweetcorn & Diced Carrots	Mashed Potato & Mixed Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables	Diced Roast Potatoes & Baked Beans
Lunch Option 4	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings
Lunch Option 5	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Sliced Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Sliced Ham Baguette
4 & 5 served with	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad
Dessert Option D	Jelly & Mandarins	Pancake with Banana & Strawberry Sauce	Butterscotch Cookie	Jam Swirl Cake & Custard	Love Heart Tutti Frutti Shortbread
Dessert Option Y	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt
Dessert Option F	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit

Celebrating Valentine's Day

on Fri 13th Feb



We love to talk about what we can offer your children

We are always on hand to answer any questions in relation to our service.

Contact us at any time using the details below.

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