



Newsletter No. 3

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Dear Parents

I hope everyone is having a happy autumn. We are really enjoying our new exercise equipment and are very thankful to AHA (our parent teacher association) for providing us with exciting equipment that we can use even in during the winter months. AHA plays an invaluable role in school life putting on discos, running Christmas events, buying equipment and even organising events (like quiz nights) just for parents. If you would like to get involved with AHA there are more details later in the newsletter.

As many of you know, we are proud to be one of the few Arts Mark Gold schools in Central Bedfordshire. This year we are renewing the Arts Mark and so we thought that you might like to get involved at home.

Below are some brilliant cultural challenges that you can encourage your child to get involved with over the Christmas holidays. They can be achieved in many different ways but if you want information about the events available in Dunstable please click [this](#) link for more information.



History & Heritage →

- Visit a museum →
- Learn about your local area →
- Investigate your family history →
- Find out about a different time in history →



Words & Verse →

- Share your writing publicly →
- Meet an author →
- Join the library →
- Go to a poetry performance →
- Do some public speaking →



Music & Performance →

- Sing with others →
- See a theatre show →
- See a professional dance performance →
- Perform in public →
- Make some music →
- Go to a gig →
- Experience classical music →
- Be on a radio show →



Culture & Community →

- Volunteer or raise money for charity →
- Visit a workplace →
- Visit a university →
- Visit a place of worship →
- Explore different cultures →
- Do something within your community →



Art & Crafts →

- Visit an art gallery →
- Meet an artist →
- Make some art →
- Learn a craft →
- Exhibit your art →



Nature & Adventure →

- Spend time in the great outdoors →
- Go on a trip →

This term we have also been reflecting on the how responsible and respectful our children are. We see moments everyday that make us so proud to have such wonderful students at Hadrian Academy. As a result, we have developed a couple of systems to let you know when your child has done something amazing. The first is a version of the Level 4 letter (normally sent home if a child has broken the rules) that celebrates if your child has gone above and beyond in demonstrating one of our school values. Like level 4 letters, these will be given out sparingly and so if your child does receive one please take the time to congratulate them on their amazing achievement. In addition, we will also be selecting 4 children each week in the run up to Christmas who are consistently perfectly behaved. These children will work with an adult to make a Christmas Bauble. If your child is chosen to complete this activity, then we hope you will be able to use the bauble as a reminder of your child's positive contribution to school life and we know that you will be as proud of them as we are.

Best wishes

Hannah Bennett

Autumn Term 2019		
21st October – 25th October Half Term		
5.12.19	KS2 Choir Luton & Dunstable Hospital Tree Lighting ceremony	Details sent via ParentMail
10.12.19	Early Years Christmas Production	9.30am
11.12.19	Year 1 Christmas Production	9.30am
11.12.19	Year 2 Christmas Production	2.30pm
12.12.19	Flu immunisations taking place	Awaiting full details Yr R – Y6
12.12.19	Polling Day	
12.12.19	Yr 2 Shortenails	Payment via your ParentMail account
13.12.19	Year 3 Christmas Production	9.30am – 10.30am
13.12.19	AHA Event – Christmas Shop	Children can buy a present for their parents/grandparents, wrap it up and write a label. More details nearer the time.
13.12.19	Whole school Christmas Dinner	Payment via your ParentMail account
16.12.19	Year 4 Christmas Production	2.30pm
17.12.19	KS2 Choir sing at Luton airport	12.30 - 3.30pm details on ParentMail
18.12.19	Year 5 Christmas Production	9.30am
18.12.19	Year 6 Christmas Production	2.30pm
19.12.19	AHA Event – Father Christmas Visits Hadrian	A chance to tell Father Christmas how good they have been and receive a small gift. Full details to follow.
19.12.19	Christmas Enterprise Christmas Jumper Day	
20.12.19	PARTY MORNING – Last Day of term	12 noon finish No school dinner No after school club
Break for Christmas and New Year 21st Dec – 5th Jan		
Spring Term		
3.1.2020	Staff Training Day	No school

6.1.20	Start of the Spring term	Children return to school
3.2.20	Young Voices KS2 Choir only	Full
10&11.02.20	Parent Consultations	Detail to follow

Summer Term		
7.5.19	Polling Day	
15.6 – 19.6.20	Yr 6 Kingswood Residential	Full details and payments on ParentMail



Parking at Hadrian Avenue and surrounding streets/entrances –

Please always park considerately even if running late and *do not park over our neighbours' driveways or the grass verges*. This affects both the wellbeing of our local residents and the safety of our children, walking to and from school. Also please watch your speed in the vicinity of the school and always be cautious of children.

We do not wish to upset or inconvenience our neighbours who have on occasion been unable to access their own driveways.

Thank you.



Speeding within the school grounds

I am increasingly concerned about people speeding as they enter the school grounds.

There is a sign on the school gates advising 5mph but it has been noted that on a few occasions parents are entering the school grounds 4 or 5 times in excess of this. The speed bump installed many years ago is to be used as a deterrent for speeding onto the premises.

Please observe the speed limit for the safety of all children and adults alike. Thank you

The Friday morning mile proved a great success and is to continue again this school year. Can we ask all parents that they be respectful to the privacy of our neighbours when using the pathway during the Friday Morning Mile.





Starting School in 2020?

School Admissions for September 2020 are now open.

If your child is born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 and you live in [Central Bedfordshire](#) please go to the [following link](#).

If you live in [Luton](#) then please click on the [following link](#)

Applications must be completed by 15th January 2020

Can parents please make sure that all items of school uniform are labelled clearly with your child's name.

IF IT MOVES, LABEL IT!

Everything that comes into school should have a label attached. You would be amazed at the amount of unclaimed lost property we accumulated last year. If items are named we can easily reunite them with their owners. You do not have to have labels even a permanent marker or biro can be used.



Year R	Tuesday 10th December 9.30am	The Nativity
Year 1	Wednesday 11th December 9.30am	A Little Bird Told Me
Year 2	Wednesday 11th December 2.30pm	Prickly Hay
Year 3	Friday 13th December 9.30am	Babushka
Year 4	Monday 16th December 2.30pm	Away in a Spaceship
Year 5	Wednesday 18th December 9.30 am	The Stars come out for Christmas
Year 6	Wednesday 18th December 2.30pm	Christmas Concert

AHA Events coming



AHA Christmas Enterprise
Thursday 19th December

AHA Christmas Enterprise will run from 2pm to 3.15pm. Parents are to collect children from their classrooms and join in the fun activities being held throughout the school.



AHA Christmas Shop is on Friday 13th December. Children can buy a present for their parents/grandparents, wrap it up and write a label. More details to follow nearer the time.



Father Christmas is Visiting Hadrian

I have just been informed by the North Pole's Elf post that Father Christmas will be popping by on Thursday 19th December. If anyone would like to visit him and receive a gift please send forms and monies back by Monday 18th November. To ensure we don't misplace any money please take your envelope to the office. **NO MONEY WILL BE TAKEN AFTER THIS DATE.**



Other school Christmas events:

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

On **Thursday 19th December** children can wear a Christmas Jumper or T-shirt to school to feel that festive spirit. This is the same day that we will be having our **Christmas Enterprise**.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

On Friday 13th December we will be having our traditional Christmas dinner with a vegetarian option. The cost is £2.30 per child from year 3 upwards but will be free for Year R 1 and 2 under the Universal Free School Meal initiative.



Christmas shop

Can you help on the 13th December?

The children will have the opportunity to buy a gift for their family, but we really need some help. If you could spare an hour or two - to help wrap presents and help the children buy their gifts we would be really grateful. If you would like to help then please let Mrs Taylor / Miss Webb know.



Grandparents

Has your child got any grandparents that would be willing to help AHA, this would involve a couple of hours during the day to help support an event. It might be a cake sale, Christmas shop or even helping Santa!

Please let us know if your grandparents could help.

Further dates for your diary:

- Christmas shop 13th December 9.00-3.15
- Christmas enterprize 19th December 12 noon
- Father Christmas 19th December 9.00-12
 - Next AHA meeting 23.1.20 at 3.30pm

Don't forget you can also help us by doing your shopping through this website

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hadrianacademy/>



Accelerated Readers Word Millionaires!



It's a new year for Accelerated Readers to read their way into the elite Word Millionaires club at Hadrian.

We are pleased to announce our first 5 students to receive their Word Millionaire certificates during our Celebration Assembly are Daniella, Darrell, Jan, Julia and Nasri who are also well on their way towards achieving double millionaire status.

Keep reading everyone and watch your word count grow. Who will be in our next newsletter?

Enjoy your reading!

1,000,000 Word Millionaires Awarded to Daniella, Darrell, Jan, Julia and Nasri



Thank you to everyone who contributed to Children In Need on Friday 22nd November. All staff and students came in Mufti for the day and consequently we raised an amazing

£380! Well done everyone!

House Points 29th November 2019



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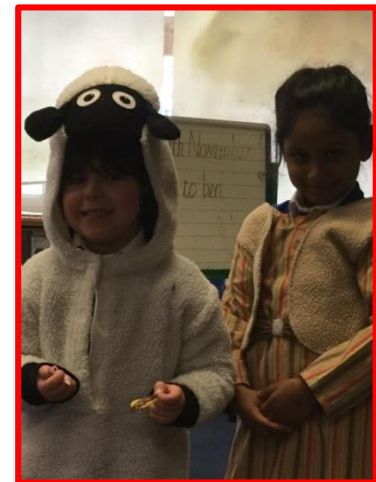
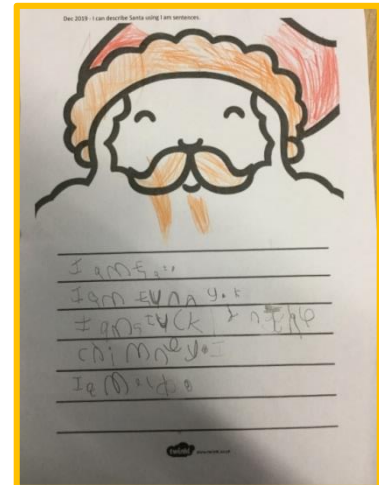
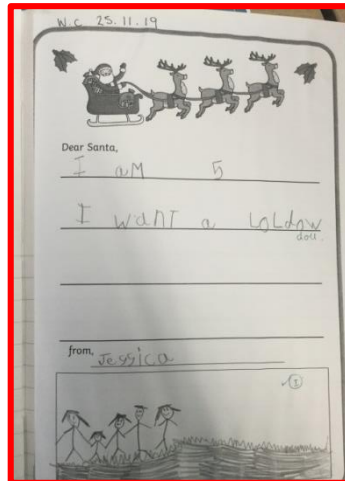
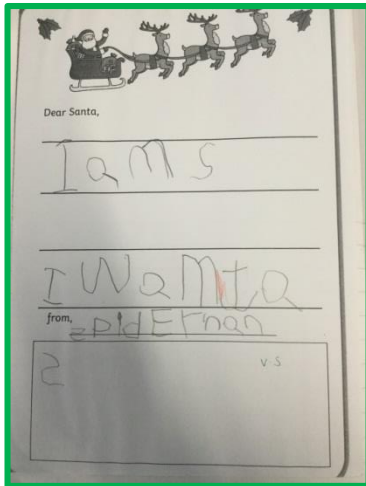
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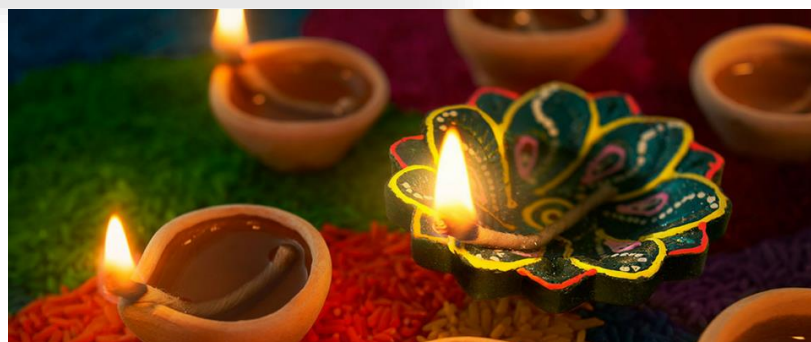
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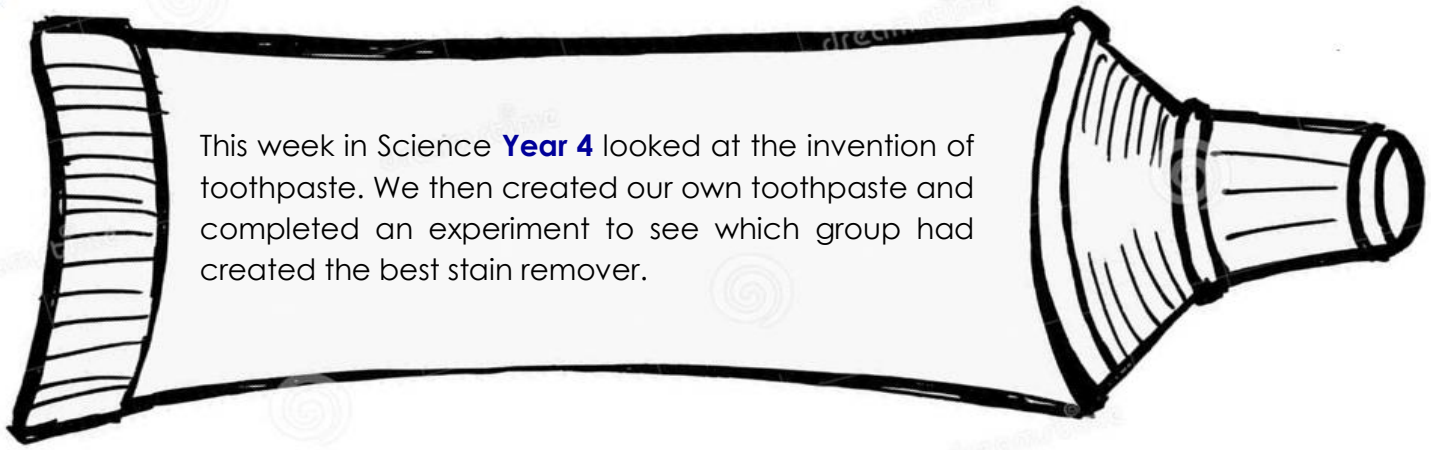


In **Early Years** the children have been getting into the Christmas spirit. The children are starting to make Christmas crafts and dressing up ready for their performance of The Nativity.

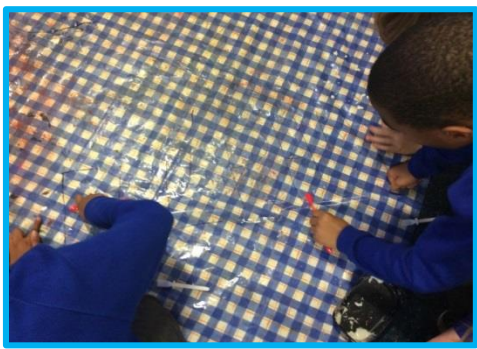


Year 2 have been learning all about different religious festivals this half term. They learnt about the story of Diwali and how Diva Lamps are used during the festivals celebrations. The children made their own Diva lamps and candles were lit as they acted out the story of Rama and Sita.





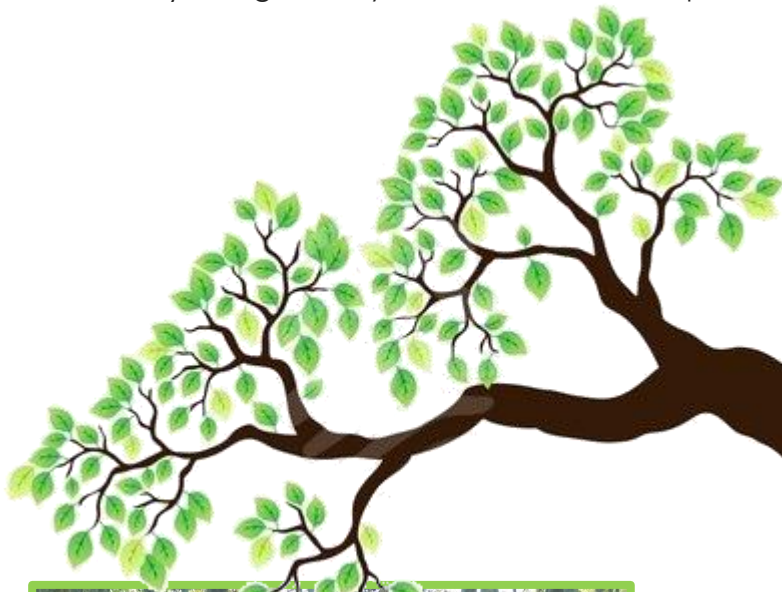
This week in Science **Year 4** looked at the invention of toothpaste. We then created our own toothpaste and completed an experiment to see which group had created the best stain remover.



We then tested our toothpaste to see if they cleaned permanent marker off the mat.



On 15th November, **year 5** went on an exciting trip to Amersham Field Centre. We learned all about what the woods are used for by people and animals, and why it is so important to look after them. We looked for insects and plants, and sorted and classified them. We also worked in teams to build sustainable shelters, and then tested to see if they were waterproof (and a few of us got a bit wet)! A big thank you to all our adult helpers!



SPORTS AT HADRIAN

Year 6 boys had their first game of the year against Tithe Farm boys on Tuesday 4th November. The boys played extremely well and went ahead after just 3 minutes when some great play resulted in Ethan seeing his shot deflected into the back of the net. There were lots of positives in the first half, including some excellent defending from Harry W and Harry S. Lindon pushed forward well to support the play and Jaiden worked tirelessly upfront. Hadrian continued to press and saw their efforts rewarded with a second courtesy of Elliot.

Hadrian made some changes for the second half, with Sam coming onto the pitch and Lucas going in goal. They started well, however, the wind and rain didn't help conditions and with light fading rapidly Hadrian conceded after some good play from the opposition. Kieran, Alfie, Sam and Finlay put in some great challenges to keep Hadrian in the game but the team were unfortunate to concede late on, making the game 2-2.

Well done to all the boys involved, a great performance in their first game together.



On Friday 15th November Hadrian's Boccia team took part in their first tournament.

Boccia is an indoor ball game similar to Boules. The aim of the game is to throw leather balls – coloured red or blue as close as they can to a white target ball

Great concentration from Lilly as she takes her first throw.



Well done to Lucas, Mark, Lilly, Tristan and Daniel for being excellent team players and showing determination to do their best.

Reuben British Schools Year 5 Boys

Orienteering Champion!

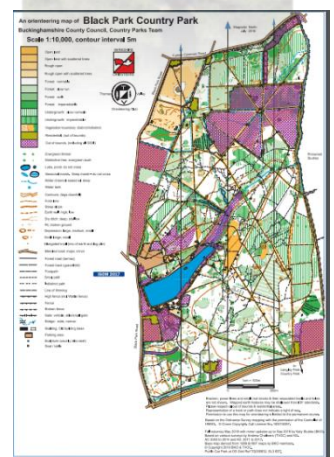


Reuben took up the sport of orienteering two years ago as an extra activity at Hadrian Academy.

Whilst attending the weekly after school Orienteering Club Reuben was taught the skills of being able to read an orienteering map and be confident in using basic navigational techniques. To qualify for the championship event Reuben had to have competed in at least three orienteering events at the appropriate standard for his age.



On Sunday 17th November 2019 Reuben took part in The British Schools Orienteering Championships, which was held at Black Park Country Park near Slough. He successfully beat a field of over 30 other competitors from schools around the country with a winning time of 10 minutes and 40 secs! We are all so proud of him showing a good example of Hadrian Academy values Resilience and Determination. WELL DONE REUBEN.



Year 5 Boys

Pos	Name	School	Time
1	Reuben Pienaar	Hadrian Academy	10:40
2	William Preston	Hallam Primary School	10:58
3	Lawrence Hodgson	Nether Green Junior School	10:59
4	Duncan Currie	Hiltingbury Junior School	11:24
5	Guy Freddie	St Marys CE Academy Walkley	11:38

Sports Hall Athletics Event

On Friday 22nd November Hadrian took part in the annual Sports Hall athletics event. This was held at Dunstable Leisure Centre. During the event the children had to take part in various athletic events, such as speed bounce, throwing a javelin and sprint relays.



Year 3 and 4 team

Tamar, Beau, David, Bella, Brandon, Faith W, Marcel, Ava, Iesa, Faith P, Riley, Gianna and Ethan.



Our year 3 / 4 team came third in their event and our year 5/6 team came 8th.

Congratulations to both teams who displayed determination and excellent team work.



Year 5 and 6 Team

Emmanuel, Eshan, Finlay, Isabella, Isabella, Mya, Reuben, Vlad, Isabelle, Oliwia, Divine, Sienna, Tjaj and Jessica.



Our current catering contract comes to an end after the half term holiday in February 2020 and we will be changing to a company called **Dolce** after the February half term who provide meals up and down the country to schools.

We are very excited about this change and know that there will be lots of benefits from having our school catering with Dolce. Please see below (or at the end of the newsletter) their latest menu which is currently on offer in schools.

Changing to Dolce means using their online system called SchoolGrid which is an online pre-ordering cashless system. This system is similar to ParentMail in that parents can pay by credit or debit card for their child's meals, however payment will be required in advance and you can top up your account as often as you like to ensure that your account is always in credit.

We will let you know further information in our next newsletter in December....

Hadrian Academy 'online'

As well as our monthly newsletter you can also keep up to date with what is happening at Hadrian in the following ways:-

Twitter:- [@hadrianacademy](https://twitter.com/hadrianacademy)

Website:- www.hadrianacademy.co.uk

Website [Google Calendar](#)



DINNER TIMES

Week 1

Weeks starting:
2 Sept | 23 Sept | 14 Oct | 4 Nov | 25 Nov | 16 Dec

Week 2

Weeks starting:
9 Sept | 30 Sept | 21 Oct | 11 Nov | 2 Dec

Week 3

Weeks starting:
6 Sept | 7 Oct | 28 Oct | 18 Nov | 9 Dec

BREAD AND SALAD
BAR AVAILABLE
DAILY

PIZZA & PASTA

Handmade Pizza Margherita (v)
Creamy Ham & Cheese Pasta
Baked Vegetable Frittata (gf) (v)
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Garden Peas, Sweetcorn
Vanilla Ice Cream (gf)
Lancashire Cookie
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

Handmade Pizza Margherita (v)
Beef Lasagne
Pasta Carbonara
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Garden Peas, Sweetcorn
Gingerbread Men
Strawberry Ice Cream
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

Handmade Pizza Margherita (v)
Cheesy Beef & Macaroni Bake
Vegetable Lasagne (v)
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Garden Peas, Sweetcorn
Mango Sorbet
Chocolate Cookie
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

AROUND THE WORLD

Chicken Curry
All Day Vegetarian Breakfast (v)
BBQ Chicken Flatbread
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Rice, Sweetcorn, Carrots
Chocolate & Oatmeal Cookie
Lemon Sponge with Custard
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

Fresh Chicken Drumsticks (contains bones)
Breaded Fish Fillet
Sweet Potato & Vegetable Curry with Rice (v)
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Potato Wedges, Roasted Vegetables,
Tomato Ketchup
Chocolate Pudding with Custard
Jam Rock Bun
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

All Day Breakfast
All Day Vegetarian Breakfast (v)
Mushroom & Broccoli Stir Fry with Noodles (v)
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Seasonal Vegetables
Golden Sponge with Custard
Catherine Wheel Biscuit
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

ROAST WEDNESDAY

Roast Chicken Breast (gf)
Creamy Cheese, Potato & Leek Pie (v)
Mild Vegetable Chilli with Rice (gf) (v)
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Broccoli, Gravy
Apple Crumble with Custard
Crispy Biscuits
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

Roast Chicken Breast (gf)
Cauliflower Cheese Tart (v)
Italian Tomato Pasta (v)
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
New Potatoes, Carrots, Broccoli, Gravy
Fruit Jelly with Peaches (gf)
Jam & Coconut Sponge
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

Roast Chicken Breast
Cottage Pie (v)
Tuna & Cheese Pasta Bake
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Sweetcorn, Gravy
Fruit Jelly
Eves Pudding & Custard
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

SCHOOL FAVOURITES

Baked Pork Sausages
Winter Vegetable Pie (v)
Ham & Broccoli Pasta Bake
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Mashed Potato, Swede,
Cabbage, Gravy
Cinnamon & Sultana Bun
Fruit Jelly with Peaches (gf)
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

Sausages with Mash & Gravy
Meatballs & Spaghetti in Tomato Sauce
Five Bean Burger in a Bun with Homemade
Tomato Relish (v)
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Cauliflower, Sweetcorn
Apple & Forest Fruit Crumble with Custard
Chocolate Crunch
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

Chicken & Vegetable Pie with New Potatoes
Burrito (v)
Cheese & Tomato Pin Wheel (v)
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Mexican Rice, Broccoli, Swede Mash
Chocolate Sponge with Custard
Vanilla Biscuit
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

FISHY FRIDAYS

Fish Fingers
Homemade Salmon Fishcake
Oven Baked Macaroni Cheese (v)
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Chips, Garden Peas, Baked Beans,
Tomato Ketchup
Chocolate Krispie
Cherry Shortbread
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

Fish Fingers
Oven Baked Cheese Flan (v)
Baked Sausages (v)
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Chips, Baked Beans, Mushy Peas, Tomato Ketchup
Jam & Coconut Sponge
Flapjack
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

Fish Fingers
Homemade Vegetable Burger (v)
Baked Egg Omelette (v)
Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings) (gf)
Chips, Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Tomato Ketchup
Butterscotch Biscuit
Peach Crumble with Custard
Fresh Fruit Salad (gf)
Yoghurt (gf)

TRADITIONAL



Tech Club



TOMORROW'S SKILLS,
TODAY

DON'T MISS OUT!

spaces available for
next term



Step into STEM

At tech club children will immerse themselves in a variety of brand new activities, experiments and group challenges. The emphasis is on fun, yet we encourage learning through hands-on activities using the latest and greatest tech, so you don't have to purchase!

- ✓ Cutting-edge technology
- ✓ New activities weekly
- ✓ Specialist teachers



Location: **Hadrian Academy**

Time: **12:30pm-1:15pm**

Day: **Monday**

Ages: **7-11 (Years 3-6)**

Start date: **06/01/20**

Sessions: **6**

Fee: **£30**

SnapUp a place for next term. **CLICK** below to enrol

www.nextthing.education/clubs

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Christmas Tree Festival

**Saturday 7 & Sunday 8
December 2019**

11.00 am to 4.00 pm

Priory Church, Dunstable

Refreshments, Stalls
& Musical Interludes

Photo: Stan Thompson