



Trinity St Mary's C of E VA Primary School



Friday 27th September 2024



Our Core Christian Values

School Hours

Gates open at 8.45am and close at 8.55am for all children.

The school day finishes at 3.25pm for all children.

Our Christian Values Book

The following children have demonstrated one or all of our Christian Values: love, honesty, sharing, dedication and forgiveness. Well done to: **Jack** in Humite, **Emelia M**, **Gabriele** in Emerald, **Ava** in Ruby and **Riley** in Topaz.

Lunchtime Cup

This week the winning ticket for the cup is **Sophia** in Humite Class. Well done!

House Points

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| Fenn | 63 |
| Shaw | 108 |
| Tabrums | 78 |
| Marsh | 71 |



Kindness Star of the Week

Well done to:

Humite – Ava C

Emerald – Jake

Amber – Indie-Rose

Ruby – Megan

Topaz – Georgie-Rae

As we are now recognised as a kindness school we are sent a certificate every term to award to a pupil who has demonstrated an outstanding act of kindness. Staff are always looking for children who have demonstrated kindness in school. We now have kindness stickers to acknowledge this. **If you want to nominate a child, whether it be your own or another child in the school, for an outstanding kindness award for an act of kindness outside of school then please email the office.** Senior leaders of the school will then consider all nominations before awarding the certificate at the end of the term.

Year 2 Dance Workshop

On Tuesday, **Ruby** class enjoyed participating in a dance workshop. They had lots of fun learning different dance moves and even had to create their own dance pose. The children also got to learn a dance routine to perform to each other at the end of the session.

Eleni 'I liked thinking of a fun pose.'

Oscar C 'It was really fun playing musical statues and trying to balance so I wouldn't get caught.'

Tori ' I liked performing for all my friends.'



Class Summary

Each week we will be highlighting what one class has been up to in school.

This week we share an insight into Amber Class.

Class, Amber Summary

It has been a busy start to half term in Amber class. In literacy we have been focusing on Roald Dahl books and writing our own characters. We have been using descriptive language and focusing on organising paragraphs.

In maths we have been looking at place value and working with thousands, hundreds, tens and ones. We have been having lessons outside for maths and inside using practical equipment such as number lines and multi-link.

In science we have been learning about nutrition and the human skeleton. We have learnt different bones and different food types.

In art we have been looking at the illustrator Quentin Blake which is linked to Roald Dahl. We have practiced our painting skills and observed his work.

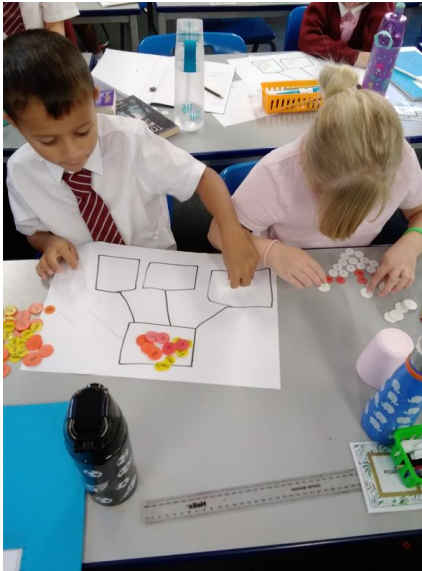
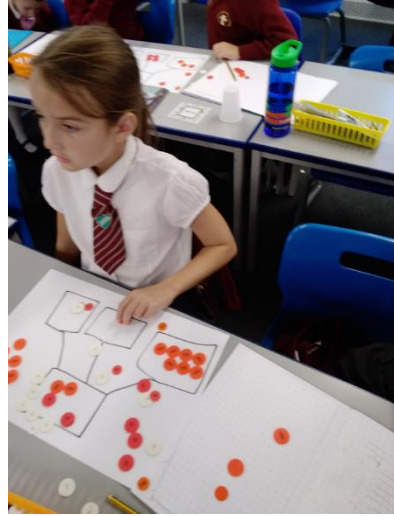
In music we have been learning Mamma Mia on the glockenspiels and in PE we have been learning how to play dodge ball and hockey.

In PSHE we have been learning about different friendships and computing we have been learning how to code and setting instructions for different programmes.

In RE we have been diving deeper into creation and why Christians believe it is important to look after the world. We have been exploring the old and new testament and linking it to the holy trinity.

Lastly in geography we have been learning about different counties in the UK and in French we have been learning the different animals.





Key Stage One Gym Trail Challenge

On Tuesday our superb KS1 team participated in the 'School Games Gym Trail' challenge at William de Ferrers School. Our team members were taught how to complete 15 different activities and then participated in a circuit of these challenges alongside 3 other local schools. In addition to remembering all the different activities, our team members also had to complete further challenges such as achieving a set number of star jumps, skips and hula hoop rotations to name but a few! By the end of the session everyone was feeling very warm and a bit worn out, but great fun was had by all. I was exceptionally impressed with our team's perseverance, enthusiasm and excellent behaviour.

Well done to **Felix, Freddie, Finley, Frankie, Joseph** and **Alfie**. You all represented our school perfectly and I was very proud of you.

Mrs. Allan



TSM Friendship Bench & Bus Stop



The friendship bench is a place to find someone to play with if you're feeling sad or lonely. We are a kindness school so having the friendship bench is a great way to show kindness, we really want everyone to have a brilliant lunchtime and for no one to be left out. Using our Christian values of love and sharing, everyone is encouraged to use the bench and to also look out for anyone on the bench.

By Head Pupils Laurel & Zoe

TSM Kindness School

Miss Hoy and I were very pleased to meet with the 'Kindness Ambassadors' for our first 52 Lives Kindness School meeting of the year. Our new committee members learnt what it means to be a TSM Kindness Ambassador and discussed their role and responsibilities. The committee then participated in a superb brainstorming session where they made some excellent suggestions about how we could promote kindness in our classrooms, our school and across our whole community. At our next meeting the committee will select their favourite projects to roll out across the whole school. Miss Hoy and I were very impressed with the high level of enthusiasm and we are looking forward to seeing the committee drive their projects forward.

Well done to; **Georgie-Rae (Topaz R)** **Lucy (Topaz 1)** **Isabella (Ruby)** **Pixie (Amber)** and **William (Emerald 4)** and an extra well done to our lead ambassadors, **Sienna (Emerald 5)** and **Laurel (Humite)**.

In addition to celebrating kindness in school, we would also love to share any acts of kindness that our pupils have carried out at home or in our community. Please do email me or Miss Hoy via the office to let us know if your child has gone above and beyond in displaying kindness.

Mrs. Allan

Collective Worship

Our Collective Worship theme this week was giving thanks and the harvest festival. We learnt about the importance of where our food comes from and how lucky we are to have foods from all across the world. We also give thanks to the people who work to get that food. This week has helped us develop spiritually because we learnt to come together as a team to celebrate and appreciate other people. This relates to our value of sharing: we should share food and love for each other. Also, it relates to our motto because many people come together at this time of year.

By Worship Warriors Emily & Grace

Attendance

Congratulations to **Topaz** Class who have the highest attendance this week, with an attendance of **100%**.

Whole school attendance is **97.20%**.

If your child is absent then please remember to report this before 8.30am either by telephone or via Studybugs stating the reason for your child's absence. **We do not accept emails for reporting absence.** Thank you.

Get the app or register now <https://studybugs.com/about/parents>

Please also be aware that if you plan on taking your child out of school then a leave of absence form must be completed or a copy of the appointment letter must be shown prior to the absence.

Please be reminded that absences need to be reported daily. Therefore if your child is off for more than one day, updates must be provided to the school via Studybugs or voicemail.

General Reminders

Volunteers

Just a reminder we are still looking to recruit some more volunteers to support the school with reading, swimming and Forest School activities. If you are interested in applying or any carers/grandparents, please contact the office for a form.

Parent Forum Group

We are looking for a volunteer to represent this year's Ruby class on the Parent Forum. If you would like to put yourself forward as the representative for Ruby class please contact the school office.

Secondary School Applications

The new secondary school admission round opened on Thursday, 12 September 2024, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2025.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2024.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions..

The website also has a copy of the Secondary Education in Essex 2025-26 booklet which contains details of all secondary school admission policies.

Asda Cashpot for Schools

Please support our school by signing up to Asda's new Cashpot for Schools scheme and encouraging friends and families to sign up as well.

September 2025 Reception Intake Tour

Our September 2025 Reception intake tour will take place on Thursday 17th October 2024 at 6pm. If you are unable to attend the tour, please do contact us to arrange an alternative date to visit.

Earrings

We have noted over the past week that the number of children coming into school wearing earrings is increasing. Could we please remind all parents and carers that as part of our uniform policy and national guidelines, **NO** jewellery, including earrings should be worn to school. We would appreciate your co-operation with this matter.

Letters Emailed Home

The Astronomy Roadshow

Emerald Class Canopic Jar Resources

Year 6 Hoodies

Headteacher Summary

It has been wonderful to see so many children wanting to share their fantastic work with me. The children have been eager to speak about their work and have been proud of what they have achieved and the presentation of their work.

I am so pleased to see our friendship bench being used by children from Reception through to Year 6.

Children and adults have been nominating each other for a kindness sticker, explaining how children have demonstrated an act of kindness to another child in our school.

As you are aware we are a kindness school. Last year we made an excellent start showing many ways of how we demonstrate that we are a kindness school. For example, we have a kindness display board and kindness comment box in the library, we have kindness stickers and we award a child with an outstanding act of kindness certificate every term. This week we held our first kindness ambassadors meeting. The ambassadors for our school were fantastic at brainstorming many new ideas for spreading kindness in the classroom, in the school and in the community. Let's see what we introduce next to spread a little bit more kindness.



I wish you a wonderful weekend.

Miss Hoy

TSM Key Dates 2024 – 2025

Please find a list of our key dates below. The list will constantly be updated throughout the school year, so please keep an eye out for any changes. Further information will also be sent home, as usual, closer to the dates if needed.

| Autumn Term | |
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| 3 rd October 2024 | WOW Assembly |
| 7 th October – 11 th October 2024 | Space Week |
| 8 th October 2024 | The Astronomy Roadshow Planetarium |
| 9 th October 2024 | Harvest Festival (Pupils Only) |
| 11 th October 2024 | Space Theme Dress Up Day |
| 15 th October 2024 | Carmel Jane Individual & Sibling Photos |
| 17 th October 2024 | New to Reception 2025 Tour |
| 18 th October 2024 | Essex Kids Camp Day |
| 17 th October – 18 th October 2024 | Bikeability Group 1 |
| 21 st October – 25 th October 2024 | Travelling Book Fair |
| 21 st October 2024 | Essex County Fire & Rescue Service Firework Assembly |
| 22 nd October – 23 rd October 2024 | Parent Consultation Meetings |
| 28 th October – 1 st November 2024 | Half Term |

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| 4 th November 2024 | Inset Day |
| 11 th November 2024 | War Memorial Visit @ St Mary's Church – Emerald & Amber |
| 11 th November 2024 | SATS Info/Club Meeting for Year 6 Parents 2.45pm |
| 15 th November 2024 | Friendship Friday |
| 15 th November 2024 | Children in Need |
| 18 th November – 19 th November 2024 | Bikeability Group 2 |
| 20 th November 2024 | Eco Committee Meeting |
| 22 nd November 2024 | KS2 Anglian Water Workshop |
| 23 rd November 2024 | Choir performing @ SWF Christmas Fayre |
| 2 nd December – 6 th December 2024 | Santa Dash Week |
| 5 th December 2024 | Whole School Panto Performance |
| 6 th December 2024 | Essex Kids Camp Day |
| 10 th December 2024 | Rocksteady Christmas Concert |
| 11 th December 2024 | Year 3 Home Safety Session, Essex County Fire & Rescue Service |
| 12 th December 2024 | KS1 Christmas Performance 2pm & 6.30pm |
| 13 th December 2024 | Choir Event @ Holy Trinity Church |
| 19 th December 2024 | KS2 Christmas Performance 2pm & 6.30pm |
| 23 rd December – 3 rd January 2025 | Christmas Holidays |
| 6 th January 2025 | Inset Day |
| 5 th February 2025 | Young Voices Choir @ O2 |



FOTSMS Meeting



We had a fantastic meeting on Monday with some new events planned for this school year so watch this space.

We are so excited that we get to gift our Year 6's with their leavers hoodies next month. FOTSMS have been into school to check sizes and the plan is to have them ready for half term so that the children can wear them on PE days and at home.

Days out in Autumn



We have reduced our Adventure Island tickets to **£12.00** and they are valid until 31st December.

Sealife tickets for £6 and Adventure Golf for £4.50 all valid until 31st December 2024.



Vicki Bohr – Chair FOTSMS

FOTSMS Event Diary

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| Thursday 17th October | 2025 Open Evening | New parents – Reception intake 2025 Tours. |
| 25 th October | DEADLINE for Xmas 4 Schools | Parents to return artwork to school by: 25th October. (Friday before half term). |
| 5 th - 7 th November | Clothing Collection | We will send bags home with the children and accept good condition clothes, shoes, coats etc. |
| 29 th November | | Christmas decorations go up in school. |
| 5th December | Aladdin - Panto | <p>We're thrilled to announce that FOTSMS have booked a pantomime company to come in and visit the whole school this year.</p> <p>Why we have chosen a panto to come to school:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convenient: Enjoy the performance right at your school. • Inclusive: Perfect for children who rarely get to see live theatre. • Engaging: Highly interactive and loads of fun. • Festive: A great way to get into the Christmas spirit! |
| 20 th December | Wear something Christmassy | Children can come into school wearing something Christmassy. A £1.00 donation can be made closer to the time via ParentPay. |

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**Beautiful FUNDRAISING
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FROM CHILDREN'S Artwork**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Don't miss the chance to have your child's artwork turned into beautiful Christmas cards, poster calendars, mugs, gift labels, or our fabulous waffle textured tea towels and help the school at the same time!

It's that time of year again and your child will either have already created their own special Christmas design at school/nursery, or will have brought the materials to do it home. This is a great opportunity to turn their creation into a range of professionally printed products, which you are able to purchase for family and friends this Christmas.

£1.00 from the sale of each product will go straight back to the school/nursery or PTA!

Christmas Cards

12x A6 Cards & Envelopes

A3 Poster Calendars

A3 Poster Calendar

Tea Towels

Soft, waffle textured tea towel

Cards With No Message Inside

12x A6 Cards & Envelopes

Mugs

1x Mug

Gift Labels

(Self Adhesive) 12x Labels



For prices please visit www.xmas4schools.co.uk

Please complete the form on the reverse of your child's artwork and return it to the school by the date printed - you will not need to place an order at this stage. Once we have received your form we will send you a text and an email containing your order link which you can follow to your child's ordering portal. From here, you can place your order and make payment.

Please note we cannot accept any late orders after the online portal has closed.

Many thanks & we look forward to receiving your order.

Our very best wishes,
The Xmas4Schools Team

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CHARACTER FAVOURITES

Thursday 3rd October 2024

Mains

- Spongebob's Krabby Patty with Cheese (Cheeseburger)
- Lilo & Stitch's Hawaiian Pizza Adventure
- Sonic's Golden Coins (Vegetable Nuggets) (VG)
- Mr Jacket Potato Head (GF)

Sides

- Mickey's All American Fries
- Super Mario Slaw
- Barbie Beans
- Ken's Ketchup
- Spiderman Salad Bar

Desserts

- Willy Wonka's Ice Cream Factory (V)
- Gingerbread Man from Far Far Away (VG)
- Fresh Fruit (VG) (GF)

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Dear Parents/Guardian,

OPEN TO ALL YEAR GROUPS.

I, Christina Marks will be offering the students of Trinity St Marys Church of England School, Street Dance classes every Friday after school.

Learn the latest dance moves to popular music, these lessons teach a mixture of styles and steps.

Classes are taught by our team of passionate CMSOPA teachers who all have showbiz CVs and enhanced DBS.

Class times will run from 3:30-4:30

To register and book please follow the link below.

<https://christina-marks-sopa.classforkids.io>

Any queries please do not hesitate to ask.

The ethos which lies at the heart of the school is to dream, aspire, achieve and excel.

Yours Sincerely,

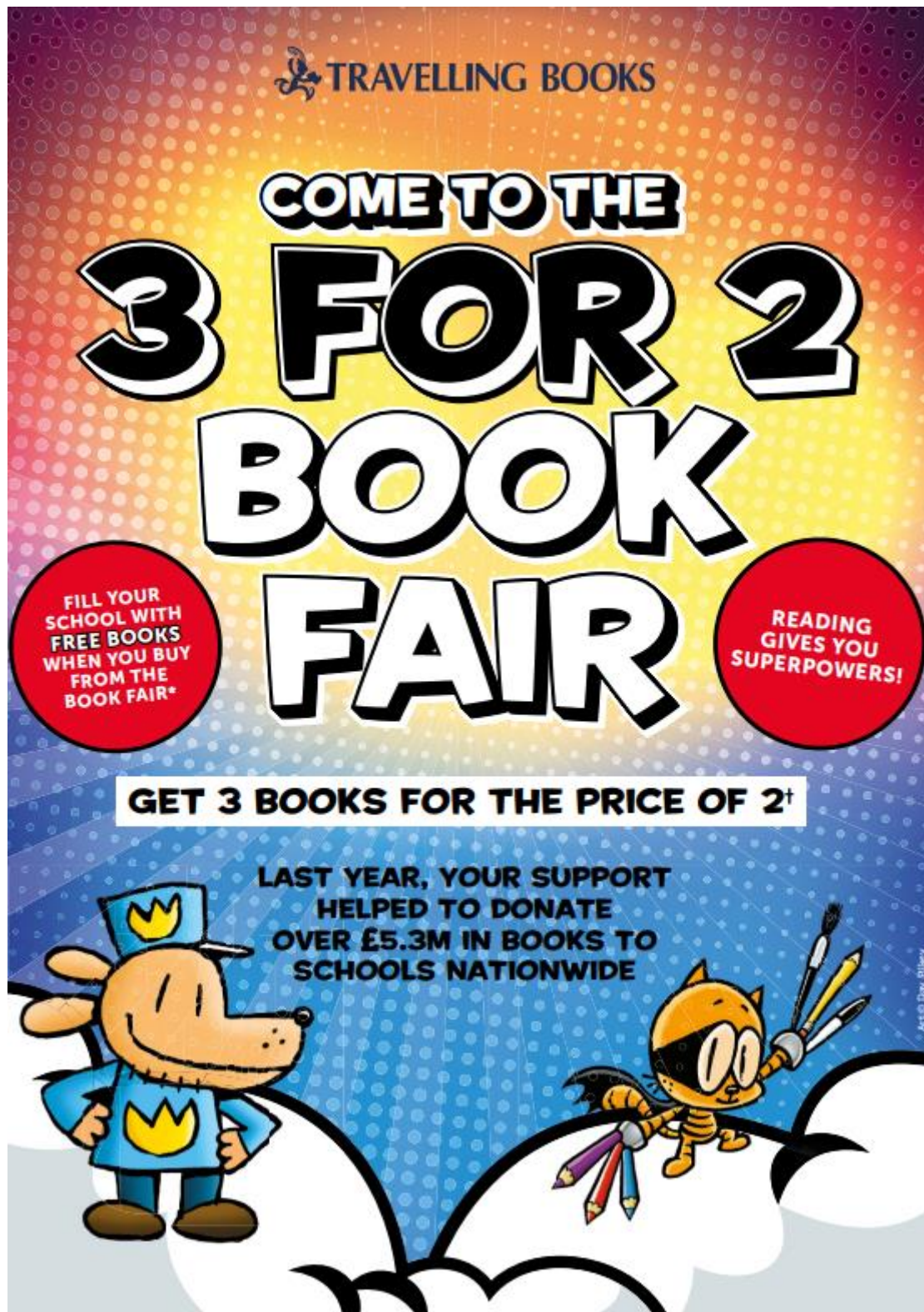
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Coming Soon.....

21st October – 25th October 2024



TRAVELLING BOOKS

COME TO THE
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BOOK
FAIR

FILL YOUR SCHOOL WITH FREE BOOKS WHEN YOU BUY FROM THE BOOK FAIR*

READING GIVES YOU SUPERPOWERS!

GET 3 BOOKS FOR THE PRICE OF 2†

LAST YEAR, YOUR SUPPORT HELPED TO DONATE OVER £5.3M IN BOOKS TO SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE

Art © Dan Riley

The poster features a vibrant background with a gradient from purple to yellow and blue, overlaid with a pattern of small white dots. At the top, the 'TRAVELLING BOOKS' logo is displayed. The main title '3 FOR 2 BOOK FAIR' is written in large, bold, white letters with black outlines. Two red circular callouts are positioned on either side of the title. Below the title, a white banner contains the offer 'GET 3 BOOKS FOR THE PRICE OF 2†'. Further down, a block of text highlights the previous year's success. At the bottom, two cartoon characters are shown: a dog in a blue uniform and a cat with wings and pencils. The background transitions from a dotted pattern to a solid blue at the bottom.

Healthy Food AT TSM

| Morning snack must be a piece of fruit: | Lunchbox tips | Afternoon snack can be a piece of fruit or a healthy snack: |
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| <p>Grapes (halved) Apples whole or sliced Pear whole or sliced Blueberries Strawberries Raspberries Blackberries Cherries (stoned and halved) Peach slices (fresh or tinned) Nectarine (whole or stoned and sliced) Apricot (fresh or tinned) Plums (whole or stoned and sliced) Kiwi slices Figs (whole or quartered) Chopped pineapple Chopped mango Melon chunks Watermelon slices Mandarin/clementine segments Orange wedges Banana</p> <div data-bbox="309 1077 651 1422" style="text-align: center;"> </div> | <p>Keep them fuller for longer Base the main lunchbox item on foods like bread, rice, pasta and potatoes. Choose wholegrain where you can.</p> <p>Cut down on crisps If your child really likes their crisps try reducing the number of times you include them in their lunchbox, and swap for homemade plain popcorn or plain rice cakes instead.</p> <p>Always add veg Cherry tomatoes, or sticks of carrot, cucumber, celery and peppers all count towards their 5 A Day. Adding a small pot of reduced-fat hummus or other dips may help with getting kids to eat vegetables.</p> <p>Add bite-sized fruit Try chopped apple, peeled satsuma segments, strawberries, blueberries, halved grapes or melon slices to make it easier for them to eat. Add a squeeze of lemon juice to stop it from going brown.</p> <p>Swap the fruit bars Dried fruit like raisins, sultanas and dried apricots are not only cheaper than processed fruit bars and snacks but can be healthier too.</p> <p>Variety is the spice of lunch! Be adventurous and get creative to mix up what goes in their lunchbox. Keeping them guessing with healthier ideas will keep them interested and more open to trying things.</p> | <p>fruit filled mini muffin crackers dry cereal cereal bar a slice whole grain bread a mini bagel pretzels a healthy snack bar a slice of malt loaf cheese sticks yogurt tube smoothie</p> <div data-bbox="1559 1010 2072 1353" style="text-align: center;"> </div> |

The Eatwell Guide

The Eatwell Guide shows how much of what we eat overall should come from each food group to achieve a healthy, balanced diet.

You do not need to achieve this balance with every meal, but it is encouraged to try to get the balance right over a day or even a week.

Eat at least 5 portions of a variety of fruit and vegetables a day.

Most of us still are not eating enough fruit and vegetables. They should make up just over a third of the food we eat each day.

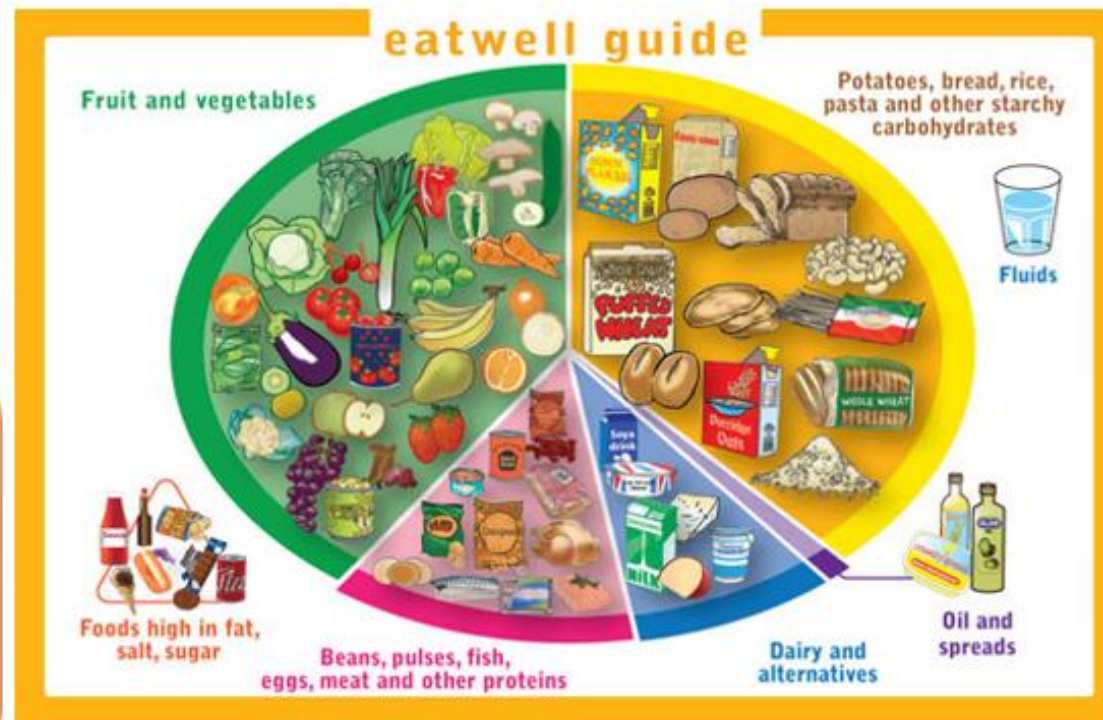
Eat some beans, pulses, fish, eggs, meat and other protein foods.

These foods are good sources of protein, vitamins and minerals. Pulses, such as beans, peas and lentils, are good alternatives to meat because they're low in fat and they're a good source of fibre and protein, too.

Have some dairy or dairy alternatives (such as soya drinks and yoghurts).

Milk, cheese, yoghurt and fromage frais are good sources of protein and some vitamins, and they're also an important source of calcium, which helps keep our bones healthy.

Try to go for lower-fat and lower-sugar products where possible, like semi-skimmed, skimmed or 1% fat milk, reduced-fat cheese or plain low-fat yoghurt.



Base meals on potatoes, bread, rice, pasta or other starchy carbohydrates.

Starchy food should make up just over a third of the food we eat. Choose higher fibre or wholegrain varieties, such as whole wheat pasta and brown rice, or simply leave the skins on potatoes.

There are also higher fibre versions of white bread and pasta.

Starchy foods are a good source of energy and the main source of a range of nutrients in our diet.

Choose unsaturated oils and spreads, and eat in small amounts.

Unsaturated fats are healthier fats and include vegetable, rapeseed, olive and sunflower oils.