





King's Coronation Celebrations

# Parents Newsletter

Our Catering Teams have been hosting some fantastic King's Coronation celebrations with tempting spreads of food from our themed menu, like these Union Jack cupcakes.

In this issue we also want to tell you about our LACA Catering Team of the Year winners, our new menu and lots more. We also have some job opportunities.

We hope you enjoy the summer holidays!

Nottingham Catering





# THE KINGS CORONATION!



Catering Teams laid on delicious picnics, like this one at Southglade Primary School! There were scrumptious cupcakes freshly baked by South Wilford Endowed School. And the table was set beautifully for the Coronation lunch by Cantrell Catering Team.



## LACA Primary School Catering Team of the Year



Congratulations to the Catering Team at Mellers Primary School for winning LACA's prestigious Primary School Catering Team of the Year award! This is wonderful recognition of the work our Catering Teams put into the service. The Chef Supervisor Cariad Bailey, works with the children and parents to ensure all the children can access an enjoyable school meal that meets their needs.

It is brilliant to be working in partnership with Amanda Dawson, the Headteacher at Mellers who has achieved 100% take up of Universal Infant Free School Meals at Mellers and has been presenting at LACA's Main Event on her winning formula for achieving this.

#### **Job Opportunities**

We regularly have catering opportunities available at https://jobs.emss.org.uk/





## NEW SEPTEMBER MENU

We are looking forward to launching our new menu in September!

Feedback from children was they would like some new exciting dishes to try and parents told us they would like to have more variety in the options.

So in May our Development Chefs went to trial various new recipes and do taste testing in schools, and we are delighted to be introducing some new dishes onto the menu including: Chicken & Vegetable Rice Jollof, Enchiladas, Fishless Finger and Chip Wrap, Chicken Fried Rice and a scrumptious Banana Loaf.

Our Development Chefs have been out in schools this July inviting children and staff to taste test our delicious new dishes.



African Jollof - rice with chicken and vegetables.



## **Upcoming Theme Days**

We are proud to support local suppliers and celebrate the delicious and diverse food that Britain produces. It's British Food Fortnight 16th September to 1st October 2023.

#### **National School Meals Week**

Look out for our VIP guest visits to schools during National School Meals Week 6-10th November! This year's campaign aims to highlight the pressure on the school meals industry and recognise the issues caterers are dealing with on a daily basis.



It's brilliant to have Hall of Fame winners for Eat Them to Defeat Them again. The winning Catering Team at Southglade received £100 and have their photos on Veg Power's website. See the photos from Southglade at: https://eatthemtodefeatthem.com/galleries/



#### **WORKING WITH FARESHARE**

Fareshare are have paid and voluntary positions available for delivery drivers and warehouse assitants. Find out more: https://faresharemidlands.org.uk/join-our-team/



### STANHOPE SCHOOL TRIP TO GEDLING COUNTRY PARK



Schoolchildren enjoyed ice lollies in the sunshine at Café 1899 as part of their school trip to Gedling Country Park recently. The class from Stanhope Primary School had a full day of artwork, geography and fieldwork and time to play too!

Danielle Mciver, YR3 Class Teacher said: "Children did some sketching around the pond area. Then we went to the café area to have lunch and have some fun in the play park.

"Lastly, we went to the observation platforms to do some geography fieldwork and create sketch maps of the park."

#### The children said:

"I've never been to the park before even though it's so close to my home and school."

"Best trip ever as we got ice creams and to play on the park!"



### Space Day-18th May 2023



Our Catering Teams created wonderful displays for Space Day. The pear aliens landed and a kiwi alien flew in a pineapple transporter at Forest Town Primary School!





## Free School Meals

We are proud to serve healthy, balanced and freshly prepared school meals.

Our school meals give children all the energy they need to power through the day, helping them concentrate at school and supporting their wellbeing.

Book your place for UIFSM at the school office or if your school has an online ordering system book it online.

Universal Infant Free School Meals are free for children in:

- Reception class
- Year 1
- Year 2

If you receive benefits your child may be entitled to free school meals. Apply at: https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

