



# NEWSLETTER

23.6.2025



Telephone: 01363 83292  
[www.lapford-primary.devon.sch.uk](http://www.lapford-primary.devon.sch.uk)

## What's On 23-27 June

| Date                     | What's On   | PE   | Music Lessons  | Clubs   |
|--------------------------|---|--|--|---|
| <b>Monday 23 June</b>    |   | Robins and Herons<br>Tag Rugby                 | Ms Bloch flute lessons   |   |
| <b>Tuesday 24 June</b>   | Herons river project trip<br>1:30—3:30pm Reception<br>Transition Afternoon for those starting<br>Reception in September<br>3:40pm Reception<br>September starters | Year 1, Kingfishers<br>and Herons Tag<br>Rugby |  |   |
| <b>Wednesday 25 June</b> |   | Kingfishers PE                                 |  | 12:45 - 1:15pm Recorder<br>Club Yrs 2-6 with Mrs<br>Gilpin-Perkins<br>3:30—4:30pm Tag Rugby<br>Club with Mr Yendell |
| <b>Thursday 26 June</b>  | 6:00—7:15pm CAT<br>Primaries Midsummer<br>Music at LPS  |  | Mrs Craddock<br>Keyboard &<br>violin lessons<br>Mr White drum<br>lessons | 12:45—1:15pm Lego Club<br>Yrs R-6 with Mr Skinner   |
| <b>Friday 27 June</b>    | Welly Day/ Wear green<br>or yellow. Donations to<br>Childrens' Hospice<br>South West can be   |  |  | 12:45—1:15pm Homework<br>Club Yrs 2-6 with Mrs<br>Cookson   |

## What's On 30 June - 4 July

| Date             | What's On | PE                                       | Music Lessons   | Clubs  |
|------------------|-----------|--|---|--|
| Monday 30 June   |           | Robins and Herons<br>Tag Rugby           | Ms Bloch flute lessons  |  |
| Tuesday 1 July   |           | Year 1, Kingfishers and Herons Tag Rugby |   |  |
| Wednesday 2 July |           | Kingfishers PE                           |   | 12:45 - 1:15pm Recorder Club Yrs 2-6 with Mrs Gilpin-Perkins<br>3:30—4:30pm Tag Rugby Club with Mr Yendell |
| Thursday 3 July  |           |  | Mrs Craddock Keyboard & violin lessons<br>Mr White drum lessons | 12:45—1:15pm Lego Club Yrs R-6 with Mr Skinner   |
| Friday 4 July    |           |  |   | 12:45—1:15pm Homework Club Yrs 2-6 with Mrs Cookson  |

### Mix it Up Monday After School Club

**2nd June to 14th July**



Our Monday After School Club with Plymouth Argyle is can be booked online through to 14th July. Please click [HERE](#) to book your child's place.

Dear Parent(s)/ Carer(s),

We had a very quiet week at school last week as Herons spent most of the week out and about. On Wednesday, the Year 5 pupils visited Chulmleigh for a taster day at the College. This is a real highlight of the school year as they get their first taste of a secondary school in action. This year, the day was organised just for the Trust schools with a separate event for those from other local feeder schools. This was great for the children, who had already made friends with those from East Worlington on their residential tripe earlier in the year. They have produced some reports to share their thoughts on the day.



On Wednesday, Year 6 set off on their way to Bristol for their two-night city break residential. This was an action packed three days and they certainly made the most of their visit, taking in the SS Great Britain, the Brunel Museum, Warhorse, We the Curious, the Planetarium and Aquarium. I understand they had a fantastic time and all enjoyed different highlights. An unexpected treat was meeting Michael Morpurgo in the theatre who talked to all the children about the performance. Mr Skinner had told me how brilliantly the children had behaved throughout the trip but it was a lovely surprise to receive an email from a

member of the public who had sat near our group in the theatre and wanted to take the time to let me know how impressed she was:

*"I am writing to you to give praise to your year 6 pupils and staff! I had the pleasure of sitting near them this evening at the Bristol Hippodrome watching Warhorse. The children did not make a peep during the show and were fully engrossed in all that it entailed. Your children and staff are a credit to you and the school."*

As we look ahead to this week there is lots going on! Today we welcome a film crew into school to make a promotional video about a day at Lapford. Putting the timetable together made me reflect on all the wonderful opportunities that our children get – I do hope we can showcase it all in just one day!

Later on in the week we have trips and visits planned and I hope many of you are looking forward to Thursday night's concert. All of Key Stage 2 will be performing at our Chulmleigh Academy Trust Mid-Summer Music Concert, here at Lapford from 6.00 – 7.15pm. I understand that FLS have been working hard behind the scenes preparing some lovely drinks and ice creams so do come along for an evening of music if you can.

Have a great week.

Mrs Wright

# Year 6 Residential Spotlight

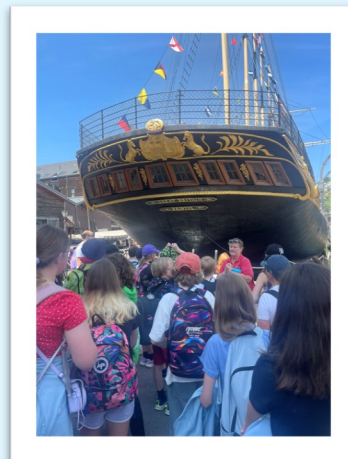
What a fantastic week in Herons class!

On Wednesday, Year 5 and Year 6 went their separate ways to enjoy two exciting experiences.

Year 5 had a great time for their Taster Day at Chulmleigh College enjoying the opportunity to make new friends, become acquainted with the building and meeting the staff. They behaved superbly and found the experience to be really useful and fun! Once back in school they enjoyed some Micro:Bit projects to show off their coding skills!

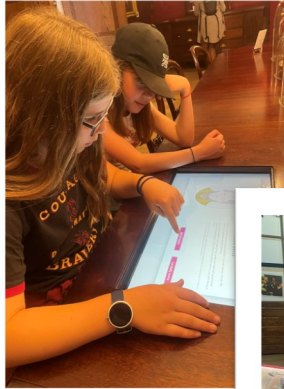
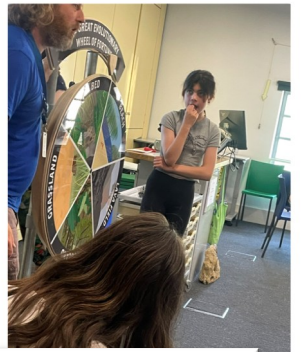
Year 6 had a incredible time away in Bristol for their residential trip.

On Wednesday, we had a brilliant time on the SS Great Britain taking part in a guided tour and a hands on workshop about the inventions of Brunel. We then set off to our hostel to settle into our rooms before heading out to the Hippodrome for an incredible performance of Warhorse. While the show was amazing, the highlight had to be Michael Morpurgo himself saying hello and then sitting just four rows away from us! We received several compliments from members of the audience on how well behaved our children were and it was magical to see the children watching in awe throughout the whole show.

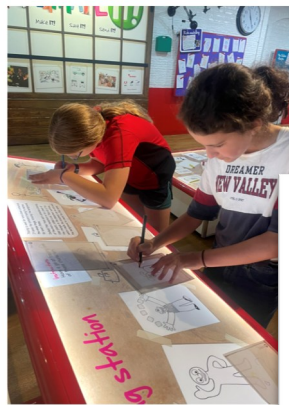




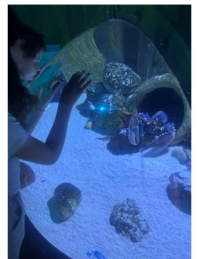
On Thursday, we had a great time in the We the Curious Science Museum enjoying a workshop on fossils and evolution. The children conducted a hands on experiment into natural selection using tweezers and clips to imitate different bird types trying to pick up different seeds. The challenge became harder and harder as we changed habitats and it was great to see the children thinking logically as a team to survive the natural selection!



After some lunch, we then enjoyed a show in the Planetarium seeing in 3D the wonders of our solar system. The 'oohs' and 'aahs' from the class was evidence enough that they loved seeing the universe up close! Finally, we had a cool down in the water fountain area by the museum and then some down time in the nearby park as the temperature finally dropped below 30 degrees!



On Friday, we sadly packed up our bags and left the hostel but not before one final trip out. This time, to Bristol Aquarium where we saw all manner of amazing creatures. We loved learning the fascinating facts about the animals and hearing from the staff how they look after each creature. We then got back on the coach and arrived home safe and sound in Chulmleigh.



Across the trip, Herons received so many compliments, from both the public and members of the CAT team, on how well behaved and polite they were and I can't express how proud I am of them. Despite the heat (and broken aircon in 30 degree heat back from Bristol!) they have been patient with each other, kind, supportive and caring in so many ways. A huge well done to all of Herons for being the wonderful team they are!



## Stars of the Week - 20th June



**Congratulations to Louise and William!**



## Lapford Legends - 20th June



**Congratulations to Oliver and Sophia!**

# Year 5 Taster Day Experience

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June, our Year 5 children visited Chulmleigh College for a Taster Day. They spent the day finding out about what the College has to offer and trying out a range of lessons alongside some current Year 9 students. Here's what they had to say about their day...

## ***Taster day in Chulmleigh***

We arrived at Chulmleigh at 8.30 in the morning

My favourite lesson was DT:



We started with a wooden block



Then we sawed in a line to make a mouth



Then we added legs, arms, and eyes

We had a lot of fun but sadly at the end of the day we had to go!

By Izzy

DT



We started with a block of wood



Then we made a mouth using a coping saw



Then we drilled two screws



Then we got two googly eyes took off the paper on the back and stuck the eyes on the wood block



Then the year 9s stuck on the wooden arms with a hot glue gun



we finished by colouring our block buddies



By William

On the year five taster day, it was amazing! We arrived at 8:30 and had a tour from some of the year nines around the school. We saw the science corridor, maths corridor, English corridor, drama class, library, sports hall, music classroom and so much more.



By Reece

After, we had to find the rooms ourselves, then we did a quiz in the library recognising characters and guessing titles. At break we went outside in a separate area and had a snack. When break was over, we did creative technology making keyring blocks. After the CT, we did science. We mixed some acids and it made it fizz up, then we did colour changing fire with three colours: copper, orangey red, then a pinky red. Then we had lunch at 13:10. After lunch we did PE and in PE, we did kickball rounders. Then we left at 15:00.



Friends of Lapford School

# WIN A BARROW OF BOOZE!

£2 A TICKET OR 3 FOR £5

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT LAPFORD REVEL, THE OLD MALT SCOOP, SCHOOL DROP OFF AND PICK UP AND VIA STACEY - 0789 1556884

DONATIONS APPRECIATED, THESE TO BE DROPPED TO LAPFORD SCHOOL OR TO STACEY

## KIDS GOODIES BARROW UP FOR GRABS TOO - £1 A TICKET

LAPFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Learn about A-Z of BIBLE ANIMALS  
Light Supper

Crafts & Activities

Family and friends come together



PRESENTS  
**MESSY CHURCH SESSIONS**



JOIN US  
**THURSDAY 26TH JUNE**  
TIME: FROM 3.45PM

Donations welcome by Cash or BACS

With Youth Pastor

Made with PosterMyWall.com



### JOB ADVERTISEMENT

**Chulmleigh Primary School  
Permanent**

**Foundation Stage Practitioner**

**13 Hours per week x 38 weeks per annum**

**Increasing to 26 Hours per week in the summer term**

**Grade C: £12.85 - £13.26 per hour - depending on experience**

**Required from September 2025**

To support increased nursery provision from September, we are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, committed, patient and motivated Foundation Stage Practitioner to join our team at Chulmleigh Primary School.

The successful candidate will work with the teacher and senior staff to ensure a creative learning environment within the Early Years Foundation Stage framework. The role will involve high quality practice through a range of interesting and stimulating activities and supervision of individuals and groups of children in the nursery or foundation stage unit.

**Candidates should demonstrate the following skills and attributes:**

- Hold a recognised Level 3 Early Years qualification
- Hold suitable Level 2 Literacy and Numeracy qualifications
- Excellent communication skills
- Patience and positivity
- The ability to support colleagues, use positive behaviour management strategies and ensure the school continues its excellent provision for all pupils

In the first instance, the working pattern will be 2 days per week 8.30 am – 3.30 pm allowing for a 30-minute unpaid lunch break. However, due to the expansion of the nursery provision, this will increase to 4 days per week in the summer term. Working patterns will be discussed at interview. The role is term time only (38 weeks per year).

Employment benefits include eligibility to join the Local Government Pension Scheme. In addition, employees of the Trust are entitled to 50% off childcare fees at our out of school clubs for children of compulsory school age.

We are committed to promoting equality of opportunity and access for all, irrespective of age, background, race, gender, religion, ability, disability, or sexuality. We welcome applications for employment from the whole community.

The candidate pack (including job description) and application form are available on our [website](https://www.chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk). Please download and complete the application form and email it to [personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk](mailto:personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk) by 10 am on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025. All applications will be acknowledged.

**As employers, we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment and in that regard, we have appropriate policies and procedures. All staff undertake a criminal record check via the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and interviews will include questions about safeguarding children.**

**In line with Government guidance, we may carry out online searches against shortlisted applicants' names as part of our due diligence checks.**

**Closing date: 10 am Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

**Interview Date: Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025**





Friends of Lapford School  
presents  
our 1st

# DUCK RACE

Saturday 19th July  
4pm-6pm

A377 just past Lapford station there  
will be signs  
what3word location  
///cactus.spot.customers

BBQ \* Stalls \* Games \* Raffle  
CASH ONLY



# School Lunches

MyEd + Pay  
£2.50

Please order by midnight the day before

\*

If you miss this deadline please provide  
your child with a packed lunch

[www.lapford-primary.devon.sch.uk](http://www.lapford-primary.devon.sch.uk)



- 1 JOIN OUR LOTTERY**
- 2 BOOST SCHOOL FUNDS**
- 3 WIN CASH PRIZES**

It's As Easy As



- Join our weekly lottery from just £1 a week
- It's an easy way to support our school and help raise funds
- 40% of ticket sales go straight to our school funds
- There's a guaranteed winner every week as well as the chance to win £25,000

[Buy a Ticket](#)

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.



LAPFORD TODDLER PLAY AREA

OFFICIAL OPENING

SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

2 PM

PLEASE COME ALONG AND HAVE SOME FUN!

IN KIND CONJUNCTION WITH LAPFORD  
PLAYING FIELD VINTAGE RALLY

# CHULMLEIGH ACADEMY TRUST

## School Terms and Holiday Dates - 2025/2026 Academic Year

|              | September |    |    |    |    | October |    |    |    |    | November |    |    |    |  | December |    |    |    |    | January |   |    |    |    | February |   |    |    |    |
|--------------|-----------|----|----|----|----|---------|----|----|----|----|----------|----|----|----|--|----------|----|----|----|----|---------|---|----|----|----|----------|---|----|----|----|
| College Week | 1         | 2  | 1  | 2  | 1  | 1       | 2  | 1  | 2  |    | 1        | 2  | 1  | 2  |  | 1        | 2  | 1  |    |    |         | 2 | 1  | 2  | 1  |          | 2 | 1  | 2  |    |
| Monday       | 1         | 8  | 15 | 22 | 29 |         | 6  | 13 | 20 | 27 | 3        | 10 | 17 | 24 |  | 1        | 8  | 15 | 22 | 29 |         | 5 | 12 | 19 | 26 |          | 2 | 9  | 16 | 23 |
| Tuesday      | 2         | 9  | 16 | 23 | 30 |         | 7  | 14 | 21 | 28 | 4        | 11 | 18 | 25 |  | 2        | 9  | 16 | 23 | 30 |         | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 |          | 3 | 10 | 17 | 24 |
| Wednesday    | 3         | 10 | 17 | 24 |    | 1       | 8  | 15 | 22 | 29 | 5        | 12 | 19 | 26 |  | 3        | 10 | 17 | 24 | 31 |         | 7 | 14 | 21 | 28 |          | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25 |
| Thursday     | 4         | 11 | 18 | 25 |    | 2       | 9  | 16 | 23 | 30 | 6        | 13 | 20 | 27 |  | 4        | 11 | 18 | 25 |    | 1       | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 |          | 5 | 12 | 19 | 26 |
| Friday       | 5         | 12 | 19 | 26 |    | 3       | 10 | 17 | 24 | 31 | 7        | 14 | 21 | 28 |  | 5        | 12 | 19 | 26 |    | 2       | 9 | 16 | 23 | 30 |          | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 |

|              | March |    |    |    |    | April |    |    |    |    | May |   |    |    |    | June |    |    |    |    | July |   |    |    |    | August |   |    |    |    |    |
|--------------|-------|----|----|----|----|-------|----|----|----|----|-----|---|----|----|----|------|----|----|----|----|------|---|----|----|----|--------|---|----|----|----|----|
| College Week | 1     | 2  | 1  | 2  | 1  | 1     | 2  | 1  | 2  | 1  | 1   | 2 | 1  | 2  |    | 1    | 2  | 1  | 2  | 1  | 1    | 2 | 1  | 2  |    |        |   |    |    |    |    |
| Monday       | 2     | 9  | 16 | 23 | 30 |       | 6  | 13 | 20 | 27 |     | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25 | 1    | 8  | 15 | 22 | 29 |      | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 |        | 3 | 10 | 17 | 24 |    |
| Tuesday      | 3     | 10 | 17 | 24 | 31 |       | 7  | 14 | 21 | 28 |     | 5 | 12 | 19 | 26 | 2    | 9  | 16 | 23 | 30 |      | 7 | 14 | 21 | 28 |        | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25 |    |
| Wednesday    | 4     | 11 | 18 | 25 |    | 1     | 8  | 15 | 22 | 29 |     | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 | 3    | 10 | 17 | 24 |    |      | 1 | 8  | 15 | 22 | 29     |   | 5  | 12 | 19 | 26 |
| Thursday     | 5     | 12 | 19 | 26 |    | 2     | 9  | 16 | 23 | 30 |     | 7 | 14 | 21 | 28 | 4    | 11 | 18 | 25 |    |      | 2 | 9  | 16 | 23 | 30     |   | 6  | 13 | 20 | 27 |
| Friday       | 6     | 13 | 20 | 27 |    | 3     | 10 | 17 | 24 |    | 1   | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | 5    | 12 | 19 | 26 |    |      | 3 | 10 | 17 | 24 | 31     |   | 7  | 14 | 21 | 28 |

**Bank Holidays** ■

25 December 2025  
 26 December 2025  
 01 January 2026  
 03 April 2026 (Good Friday)  
 06 April 2026 (Easter Monday)  
 04 May 2026 (May Day)  
 25 May 2026 (Spring Bank Holiday)  
 24 August 2026 (Summer Bank Holiday)

**Non-Pupil Days** ■

Five days selected from within the term dates to be determined by the Board of Directors

**School Holidays** ■

**Occasional Holidays** ■

Two days selected from within the term dates to be determined by the Board of Directors



**FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT SERVED DAILY**



# SUMMER MENU

Week 1

|                       | MONDAY   | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY   |
|-----------------------|--|--|---|--|--|
| Pick a MAIN           | Breakfast Brunch with Bacon, Sausage, Hash Brown and Beans | Lasagne with Garlic Bread and garden Peas                          | Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage                    | Hunters Chicken with New Potatoes and Peas         | Fish Finger Sandwich with Roasted New Potatoes and Garden Peas |
| Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN | Quorn Sausage with Hash Brown, Beans & Tomatoes            | Vegetable Soft Shell Taco with New potatoes & Garden Peas          | Broccoli and Sweet Potato Bake, with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage | Cheese and Onion Quiche with New Potatoes and Peas | Veggie Finger Sandwich with Roasted New Potatoes and Peas      |
| Pick a JACKET POTATO  | Cheese, Beans, Tuna  | Cheese, Beans, Tuna  | Cheese, Beans, Tuna   | Cheese, Beans, Tuna                                | Cheese, Beans, Tuna  |
| Pick a SANDWICH       | Cheese or Ham  | Cheese or Ham  | Cheese or Ham   | Cheese or Ham                                      | Cheese or Ham  |
| Pick a DESSERT        | Fruit Platter<br>Yogurt<br>Fresh Fruit                     | Carrot and Courgette<br>Chocolate Brownie<br>Yogurt<br>Fresh Fruit | Jelly with Fruit<br>Yogurt<br>Fresh Fruit                                       | Banana Cake<br>Yogurt<br>Fresh Fruit               | Oaty Cookie<br>Yogurt<br>Fresh Fruit                           |

We are pleased to offer a variety of allergen free options on our food menu. Although all food is prepared in a kitchen that handles most allergens and therefore we cannot guarantee that cross contamination will never occur, we do take every possible precaution to prevent this from happening.





|                              | MONDAY                                      | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY   |
|------------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|
| <b>Pick a MAIN</b>           | Beef Chilli with Rice & Nachos              | Chipolata Sausages with Mash, Gravy, Carrots and Peas | Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage | Cottage Pie with Swede, Green Beans & Gravy            | Breaded Fish with Roasted New Potatoes and Beans     |
| <b>Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN</b> | Vegetarian 5 Bean Chilli with Rice & Nachos | Vegetarian Sausage with Mash, Carrots, Peas & Gravy   | Vegetable Hot Pot, with Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Cabbage   | Vegetarian Cottage Pie with Swede, Green Beans & Gravy | Vegetable Fajita with Roasted New Potatoes and Beans |
| <b>Pick a JACKET POTATO</b>  | Cheese, Beans, Tuna                         | Cheese, Beans, Tuna                                   | Cheese, Beans, Tuna   | Cheese, Beans, Tuna                                    | Cheese, Beans, Tuna                                  |
| <b>Pick a SANDWICH</b>       | Cheese or Ham                               | Cheese or Ham   | Cheese or Ham   | Cheese or Ham  | Cheese or Ham  |
| <b>Pick a DESSERT</b>        | Iced Sponge                                 | Vanilla Ice Cream                                     | Strawberry Mousse   | Chocolate Krispie Cake                                 | Apple Cake   |
|                              | Yogurt                                      | Yogurt  | Yogurt  | Yogurt   | Yogurt   |
|                              | Fresh Fruit                                 | Fresh Fruit   | Fresh Fruit   | Fresh Fruit  | Fresh Fruit  |

We are pleased to offer a variety of allergen free options on our food menu. Although all food is prepared in a kitchen that handles most allergens and therefore we cannot guarantee that cross contamination will never occur, we do take every possible precaution to prevent this from happening.

|                              | MONDAY  | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY                                    | FRIDAY  |
|------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|
| <b>Pick a MAIN</b>           | Meatballs and Tomato Sauce with Pasta, Sweetcorn & Garlic Bread | Sweet and Sour Chicken Balls with Rice & Sweetcorn      | Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots & Cabbage           | Breaded Chicken Burger with Wedges and Peas | Fish Fingers or Salmon Bites with Diced Potatoes & Beans  |
| <b>Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN</b> | Macaroni Cheese with Sweetcorn & Garlic Bread                   | Sweet and Sour No Chicken Nuggets with Rice & Sweetcorn | Broccoli and Cheddar Quiche with Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Cabbage | Vegetarian Burger with Wedges & Peas        | Vegetable and Potato Frittata with Diced Potatoes & Beans |
| <b>Pick a JACKET POTATO</b>  | Cheese, Beans, Tuna   | Cheese, Beans, Tuna                                     | Cheese, Beans, Tuna  | Cheese, Beans, Tuna                         | Cheese, Beans, Tuna                                       |
| <b>Pick a SANDWICH</b>       | Cheese or Ham   | Cheese or Ham   | Cheese or Ham  | Cheese or Ham                               | Cheese or Ham   |
| <b>Pick a DESSERT</b>        | Pineapple Cake  | Mini Donut & Ice Cream                                  | Jelly and Fruit  | Flapjack                                    | Apple & Raspberry Cake                                    |
|                              | Yogurt  | Yogurt  | Yogurt   | Yogurt                                      | Yogurt  |
|                              | Fresh Fruit   | Fresh Fruit   | Fresh Fruit  | Fresh Fruit                                 | Fresh Fruit   |

We are pleased to offer a variety of allergen free options on our food menu. Although all food is prepared in a kitchen that handles most allergens and therefore we cannot guarantee that cross contamination will never occur, we do take every possible precaution to prevent this from happening.