

# NEWSLETTER



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9 March 2026



## Dear Parent(s)/ Carer(s)

It has been another busy and enjoyable week in school, with a real highlight being our celebrations for World Book Day.

We began the morning with our traditional costume catwalk, giving everyone the chance to show off their fantastic outfits. As always, the creativity on display was wonderful to see. We then gathered together to enjoy a story from Paddington, which set the perfect tone for the day ahead. Throughout the morning, children took part in a range of Paddington-themed activities in their classes.





Our Robins helped Paddington by thinking carefully about the sorts of things he might like to pack in his suitcase for his adventures. Kingfishers wrote thoughtful postcards for Paddington to send to Aunt Lucy, imagining what he might want to share about his experiences. Meanwhile, Herons created fantastic word cloud pictures of Paddington himself, capturing all the words that describe this famous character.

Children also had the opportunity to spend time enjoying books together in their House Teams, sharing stories across the school and celebrating the joy of reading with children of different ages.

At the end of the day we came back together to share what each class had been doing and to present "Paddington" with the wonderful work the children had created. It was a lovely way to finish a day that truly celebrated our love of books and stories.



### **FLS News**

Later on Thursday, FLS held their first evening meeting at The Old Malt Scoop. It was well attended, so thank you to everyone who was able to come along and support. A range of exciting fundraising ideas were discussed, as well as ways to use the funds that FLS work so hard to raise for the benefit of our school. One of the first purchases agreed upon will be a new notice board to be placed outside the school gates. This will help keep parents and carers informed about upcoming events and important school news. The notice board has already been ordered and should be installed over the next few weeks.

### **Lambing Bingo**

There is still time to purchase your Lambing Bingo tickets, with the ewes due to begin lambing next weekend. Tickets cost £5 per sheet and are available from the school office before school, or from Mrs Mills, Mrs Wright or Mrs K after school. It promises to be great fun, so do make sure you get your tickets in time.

### **Science Week**

This week is also Science Week, and the children will be taking part in a wide range of exciting Science activities centred around the theme "Curiosity – What's your question?" We will be kicking things off with a Science show, and later in the week the children will be exploring investigations and activities designed to spark their curiosity and thinking.

### **Science Open Afternoon - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March**

Parents and carers are warmly invited to join us on Thursday afternoon at 2.45pm, when the children will share some of the science learning they have been involved in during the week. We hope you will be able to come along and see what they have been discovering.

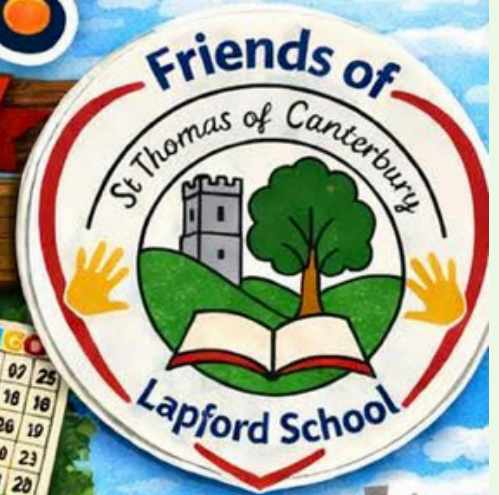
Have a wonderful week.

Mrs Wright

# LAMBING BINGO!

Starting Mid March

£5 PER BINGO SHEET



- 1 Buy your bingo sheet
- 2 You will be added to the WhatsApp / Facebook update group  
- 3 Each time a lamb is born, a number will be posted
- 4 Mark the number off your bingo sheet
- 5 First to 1 line wins a hamper
- 6 First to 2 lines wins a hamper
- 7 Full house wins the **CASH** prize

1	02	03	07	25
11	12	03	10	10
14	51	26	10	
11	22	28	20	23
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Bingo sheets are available from the school office or by calling Claire on 07875 823755

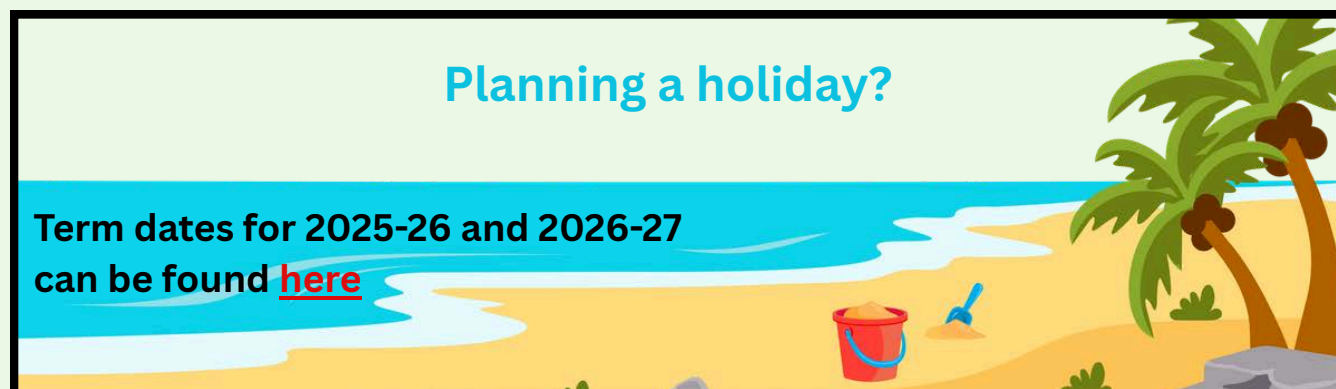


# What's on 9-13 March

Day	What's On	PE	Music Lessons	Clubs
<b>Monday 9 March</b>	Fun Science Exeter Show at school  Lower Herons to Library	Robins & Kingfishers PE	Ms Bloch flute lessons	3:30 - 4:30pm Multisports Club with Mrs Perry
<b>Tuesday 10 March</b>		Herons PE		
<b>Wednesday 11 March</b>				3:30 - 4:30pm Year 6 SATs Club
<b>Thursday 12 March</b>	Kingfishers Forest School Day  2:45pm Science Open Afternoon		Mrs Craddock violin and keyboard lessons  Mr White drum lessons	
<b>Friday 13 March</b>		Herons PE		

## Planning a holiday?

Term dates for 2025-26 and 2026-27 can be found [here](#)



# What's on 16-20 March

Day	What's On	PE	Music Lessons	Clubs
<b>Monday 16 March</b>	Hérons - Lapford Geography	Robins & Kingfishers PE	Ms Bloch flute lessons	3:30 - 4:30pm Multisports Club with Mrs Perry
<b>Tuesday 17 March</b>		Hérons PE		
<b>Wednesday 18 March</b>				3:30 - 4:30pm Year 6 SATs Club
<b>Thursday 19 March</b>	WASTE ACTION DAY  Hérons Forest School Day		Mrs Craddock violin and keyboard lessons  Mr White drum lessons	
<b>Friday 20 March</b>	Hérons to EWPS - Cultural Champion presentation	Hérons PE		



**Don't forget those named coats and wellies - the weather has been particularly awful recently!**





We have been so pleased to finally enjoy some lovely weather! The children have really noticed the changes around us, especially as the seasons begin to shift. Snowdrops have come and gone, and it has been exciting to spot the first true signs that spring is on its way.

Kingfishers and Herons enjoyed making elder bracelets and potions with all the wet weather we have been experiencing.



In Robins class, we went on a Spring hunt to look for signs of the new season. The children were fantastic at observing the changes in our environment. We discovered bright yellow daffodils blooming, buds beginning to appear on the trees, and lots of other subtle signs that warmer days are coming.



We also enjoyed a hands-on activity making pinecone bird feeders. The children carefully filled the gaps in the pinecones with a mixture of bird seed and lard, which they mixed themselves. They showed great enthusiasm and teamwork throughout the activity. We are looking forward to seeing which birds might visit to enjoy our tasty creations!

It has been a wonderful start to the new season, and we are excited to continue exploring the changes that spring brings.



It was lovely to see so many local parents and their young children turn up to our Stay and Play session, which runs every Tuesday morning between 9 and 10:30am. We cannot wait to show you our new Nursery class (NEST) which we hope will be full of babies and toddlers from 9 months old.

Our rising Reception children had a sneak peek, and they loved the soft play area!

Please contact the office if you would like a tour.

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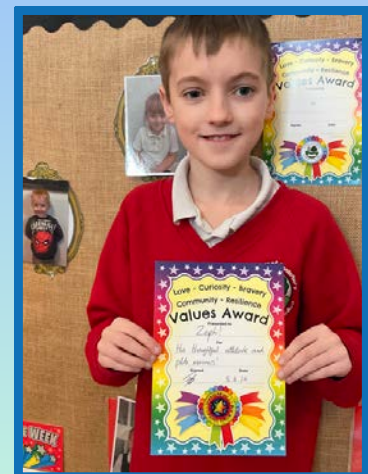
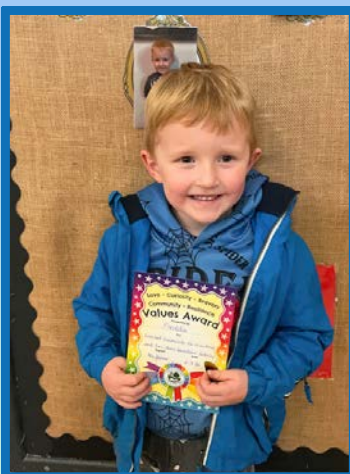
## Stars of the Week 6th March 2026



**Congratulations to Havyn, Rollo & Eileidgh!**

## Values Award 6th March 2026

**LOVE BRAVERY RESILIENCE CURIOSITY COMMUNITY**



**Congratulations to Freddie, Louise & Zeph!**

# SHAPE THE FUTURE



# BECOME A GOVERNOR!

- Help shape the future of education in our community
- Influence strategy • Support leadership • Champion our values
- Help ensure every child thrives
- Bring your skills and perspective
- Learn more by using the QR code or email [clerk@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk](mailto:clerk@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk)

## Should I keep my child off school?

### Yes

**Until...**

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

### No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

SCAN ME

**Advice and guidance**  
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

**SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY TODAY**

**£1 per week**

**Weekly cash prizes**

**£25,000 jackpot**

### Splitting the £1.00

**How it works...**

It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to Lapford Community Primary School

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online by direct debit or debit card.

**It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to Lapford Community Primary School**

- 40p goes to our school
- 36p goes to cash prizes
- 20p goes to admin costs
- 4p goes to VAT

**The Maths... 100 tickets sold a week means**

= £30 weekly cash prize

= £2,080 a year for our school

**Buy A Ticket**

## MESSY CHURCH

### EASTER SPECIAL!

Join us for a fun-filled afternoon of creativity, celebration, and community!

**Thursday 12th March 2026**  
🕒 3:30pm – 5:30pm

📍 Lapford Congregational Church

**What to Expect:**

- 🎨 Easter Crafts
- 🎮 Games & Activities
- 📖 Stories & Celebration Time
- 🎵 Music & Fun
- 🍷 Food to Enjoy Together

Perfect for children and families – come and explore the Easter story in a hands-on, creative way!

**All welcome – no need to book!**  
Just come along and join the mess, fun and friendship!

# School Lunches

## MyEd + Pay £2.61

**Please order by midnight the day before**

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

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## WIN £100 AND HELP IMPROVE THE MORNING SCHOOL RUN!

We have been selected by the Department for Education to help design a national Breakfast Club programme that works for every family's morning school run.



**THE ASK**  
A 10 minute online survey.

**WHO**  
Everyone! We're really interested to hear from those who **don't** use the breakfast club too!



**Designed by parents, for parents**  
Scan this QR code, complete the 10 minute survey and have the chance to **win £100!**

**Help ensure breakfast clubs work for all families!**



### JOB ADVERTISEMENT

For the temporary post of

**Catering Assistant**  
15 hours per week term time only

**Grade A: £12.65**

**At Chulmleigh College**  
Required ASAP

Applications are invited for the part time position of Catering Assistant to join our Academy Catering team at Chulmleigh Community College.

This is a temporary post, working 15 hours per week, offered to cover the absence of the postholder and will continue until their return. The working pattern is Monday to Friday, 12.00pm to 3.00pm, and the role is available immediately.

The successful candidate will support the day-to-day operation of our busy school kitchen. Duties will include preparing and serving meals, washing up, and maintaining cleanliness within the dining area. A Food Hygiene qualification would be advantageous; however, full training will be provided for candidates who do not currently hold a Food Hygiene Certificate.

We are looking for an enthusiastic, reliable, and flexible team player who will join a hardworking, friendly, and highly valued catering team. Our team is committed to delivering a high-quality service that supports our ambition to provide the very best provision for all pupils across all areas of their education.

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.

Further information about the role, including the full job description and application form, is available on our [website](#).

Please email the completed application form to [personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk](mailto:personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk) by 10am on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> March. All applications will be acknowledged. Alternatively, please call 01769 580215 to register your interest in the role, and we will be pleased to contact you to discuss the position further and support you with completing an application. Shortlisted candidates will be invited to spend time with the Catering Team to experience the working environment. Interviews will take place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March.

*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: on Tuesday, 10th March 2026  
Interview date: on Tuesday, 17th March 2026



### JOB ADVERTISEMENT

Permanent, Part time  
**Receptionist & Administrative Assistant**  
at Chulmleigh College

37 hours per week x 39 weeks per annum

**Grade C: £13.47 to £13.69 per hour - depending on experience**  
pay award pending

Required as soon as possible

Following internal promotion, Chulmleigh Academy Trust is seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, organised and friendly person to join our professional and welcoming Reception Team. The successful candidate will be based at Chulmleigh College and will work as part of our collaborative and supportive Academy Administration Team.

The successful candidates will need to be confident with excellent interpersonal, communication and IT skills, able to provide an efficient and effective service and act as the first point of contact for parents, pupils and visitors to the College.

Candidates should demonstrate the following skills and attributes:

- A high standard of English and Mathematics
- Competent computer skills
- Ability to communicate effectively
- Good knowledge and understanding of Administrative Procedures
- Maintain high levels of confidentiality and discretion
- Able to work under pressure

Experience of working in a school environment would be an advantage, however training will be available.

We are pleased to offer this permanent post for 37 hours per week x 39 weeks per annum (term time only). The working pattern will be Monday to Friday 0850 to 1650 – allowing for a 30-minute unpaid lunch break.

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Interview Date: Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2026



### JOB ADVERTISEMENT

East Worlington Primary School  
Part time, fixed term

Foundation Stage Practitioner

24 Hours per week x 38 weeks per annum and

Out of School Club Assistant

1 Hour per week x 38 weeks per annum

**Grade C: £13.26 - £13.69 per hour - depending on experience**  
Required from March 2026

To support our popular nursery provision, we are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, committed, patient and motivated Foundation Stage Practitioner to join our team at East Worlington 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 delivering high quality practice through a range of interesting and stimulating activities and supervising individuals and groups of children in the nursery or foundation stage unit. The work pattern will be four days per week: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, from 09:00 to 15:30, which allows for a 30-minute unpaid break.

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

We are pleased to be able to offer the successful candidate an additional role as Out of School Club Assistant. The successful candidate will work with senior staff to support the day to day running of the Out of School Club covering Tuesday afternoon from 15:30 to 16:30. The role will provide an opportunity to engage children in a range of activities in a relaxed, safe environment.

The positions are fixed term to 31 August 2026 when the roles will be subject to a review.

The ideal candidate will have flexibility to further support the school's wrap-around care provision.

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.

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## Breakfast Club Menu

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Beans on Toast	Bagels	Sausage Baps	Toasted Teacakes	Scrambled Eggs on Toast

- Toast
- Crumpets
- Selection of Jams & Spreads
- Fresh Fruit
- Yoghurt
- Cereals
- Milk
- Apple Juice
- Orange Juice
- Water

**AVAILABLE EVERY DAY!**

**FREE Breakfast Club for Reception to Year 6 pupils**

**ALL pupils from Reception to Year 6 can book into our FREE 8:30am Breakfast Club. Please go to ParentMail to select your days!**

**Chulmleigh Academy Trust**

**FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT SERVED DAILY**

## SPRING MENU

Week 1

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>MAIN</b>	Breakfast Brunch with Bacon, Sausage, Hash Brown and Beans	Beef Lasagne with Wedges & garden Peas	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage	Chicken Korma with Rice & Naan Bread	Fish Finger Sandwich with Iceberg Lettuce in a Bap with Roasted New Potatoes and Garden Peas
<b>MEAT-FREE MAIN</b>	Quorn Sausage with Hash Brown, Beans & Tomatoes	Vegetarian Lasagne with Wedges & Garden Peas	Broccoli & Cauliflower Gratin with Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Cabbage	Vegetarian Cauliflower, Chickpea & Sweet Potato Korma with Rice & Naan Bread	Veggie Finger Sandwich with Iceberg Lettuce in a Bap with Roasted New Potatoes and Garden Peas
<b>JACKET POTATO</b>	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans	Beans or Tuna	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans
<b>SANDWICH</b>	Cheese or Ham	Ham or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Ham or Cheese	Ham or Tuna Mayo
<b>DESSERT</b>	Fruit Platter Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Carrot and Courgette Chocolate Brownie Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Flapjack Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Banana Cake Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Coconut Cookie Yogurt 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.

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## SPRING MENU

Week 2

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>MAIN</b>	Battered Chicken Burger in a Bap with Wedges & Salad	Savoury Mince with Creamy Mash, Carrots and Peas	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Cabbage & Gravy	Kung Pao Chicken with Steamed Rice & Sweetcorn	Breaded Fish with Roasted New Potatoes and Beans
<b>MEAT-FREE MAIN</b>	Plant Based Burger in a Bap with Wedges & Salad	Vegetarian Spanish Bean Stew with Creamy Mash, Carrots & Peas	Vegetarian Homity Pie with Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Cabbage	Vegetarian Sweet & Sour Vegetables with Rice & Sweetcorn	Vegetable Fajita with Roasted New Potatoes And Beans
<b>JACKET POTATO</b>	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans	Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans
<b>SANDWICH</b>	Cheese or Ham	Tuna or Ham	Cheese or Tuna	Cheese or Ham	Tuna or Ham
<b>DESSERT</b>	Iced Sponge Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Sticky Toffee Cake with Toffee Sauce Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Banana Mousse Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Chocolate Krispie Cake Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Lemon Drizzle Yogurt Fresh Fruit

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## SPRING MENU

Week 3

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>MAIN</b>	Beef Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce with Spaghetti, Sweetcorn & Garlic Bread	Hoisin Chicken Stir Fry Noodles with Sweetcorn & Garden Peas	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Cabbage & Gravy	Chipolata Sausage with Mash, Gravy, Carrots & Peas	Chicken Nuggets with Roasted New Potatoes & Baked Beans
<b>MEAT-FREE MAIN</b>	Vegetarian Tomato & Mozzarella Pasta with Sweetcorn & Garlic Bread	Vegetarian Singapore Noodles with Sweetcorn & Garden Peas	Vegetarian Leek & Mushroom Bake with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Cabbage & Gravy	Vegetarian Sausage with Mash, Gravy, Carrots & Peas	Vegetarian 'No Chicken' Nuggets with Roasted New Potatoes & Baked Beans
<b>JACKET POTATO</b>	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans	Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Tuna mayo	Cheese or Beans
<b>SANDWICH</b>	Cheese or Ham	Tuna Mayo or Ham	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Ham	Tuna Mayo or Ham
<b>DESSERT</b>	Apple & Cinnamon Cake Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Jam & Coconut Sponge Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Fruit Jelly & Mandarins Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Custard Cookie Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Carrot Cake Yogurt Fresh Fruit

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