



# The Parkside School

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## **IMPORTANT DATES**

Thursday 22 October	Staff training day
Thursday 22 October – Friday 30 October	Half term holiday
Monday 2 November	Pupils return to school
Tuesday 3, 10 & 17 November	Parent's evening
Thursday 5 November	Change to dinner menu

## **FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Monday 21 December – Friday 1 January	Christmas holiday
Monday 4 January	Pupils return to school

## **BONFIRE LUNCH**

On Thursday, 5 November there will be a change to the dinner menu. This will now be 'Bonfire Banger' Pork sausage in a roll or Veggie sausage in a roll served with half a jacket potato topped with grated cheese & beans, and Toffee cream shortbread for pudding.

## **SCHOOL MONEY PAYMENT SYSTEM**

We have recently signed up to the new payment system, School Money. This means that you are now able to make payments for school dinners online with your debit or credit card.

You do not need to sign up to this system as this is done automatically through the school and as long as you have provided us with up to date contact details you will be sent a password which will give you access to your School Money account. If you do not yet have an account and you would like to pay using this system please email [office@parkside.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:office@parkside.norfolk.sch.uk) with your up to date email address and mobile number.

We hope you find paying in this way is more convenient and for the school it will help us to reduce the amount of administration time spent on payment collection and banking procedures.

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## **UNIFORM**

School uniform can be purchased online at [www.birdsofdereham.com](http://www.birdsofdereham.com) or in person from Birds of Dereham.

## **FREE SCHOOL MEALS**

Free School Meals are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided the family has an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to 3 of the most recent assessment periods);
- Income Support;
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance;
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance;
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit;
- Child Tax Credit (providing the family is not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190);
- Working Tax Credit run on – paid for four weeks after a claimant stops qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

Norfolk County Council are offering an online Free School Meals application service. Parents/carers can create an account at the below web address, to carry out a check on your entitlement:

<https://fiso.norfolk.gov.uk/synergy/Enquiries/Citizen/FreeSchoolMeals.aspx>