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Friday 27th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

It was lovely to see so many of you at your child's parents' meeting, this week. We hope you had a chance to ask their class teacher any questions, look at the work in their books and visit their classroom.

For those of you who had the chance to try some samples from Chartwells Menus, we hope this might encourage you, to encourage your child, to try some of our school meals, after the Easter break.

Easter Services



Thank you to Miss Ward who led our KS1 and KS2 Easter Services, this week. The KS1 children enjoyed their assembly, learning about the Easter story and KS2 walked to St John's Church for their Easter service. Thank you also to all those parents and carers, who accompanied the children on their walk to and from the church. We hope you enjoyed the service too.



Rock Steady Concert

Our incredible Rocksteady bands rocked the stage on Monday, and we could not have be prouder! The children have been practising so hard this term and their confidence, rhythm, and teamwork absolutely shone through in every performance.

A huge well done to all our brilliant young musicians. You smashed it! And thank you to everyone who came to support.



No Pre-Ordering to Continue after the Easter Holiday



We are going to continue our 'no pre-ordering trial' after the Easter Holiday, to help us make more of an informed decision as to whether this approach is preferred, by the children. This week's trial has been extremely positive – the children have loved being able to choose from our healthy and varied menus and make their selections from the salad cart.

You will still need to continue to let us know whether you want to order your child a school meal and make payment via your MCAS App, but you **will not** need to state what option your child will be having. Instead, the children will be able to choose what they want, at the serving hatch, on the day.

New After School Clubs

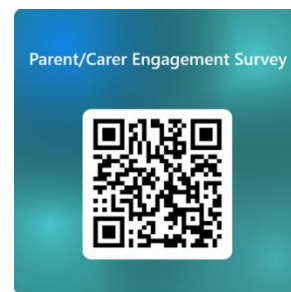
You should soon be receiving an email to let you know if your child has secured a space at on of our afterschool clubs, next half term. Thank you again to all those staff members and volunteers, who have given up their own time to ensure that we are able to offer this range of clubs to the children.



Remember, those children that attended a club on Thursday during the last half of the Spring term, will continue their last session on the first Thursday back after the break, due to missing this week's session because of open evenings.

Parental Engagement Survey

Thank you to those of you who have already completed our short parental engagement survey, on Wednesday/Thursday evening. If you haven't already done so, please scan the QR code and take a few minutes to give us your feedback and ideas for the future. Thank you!



Attendance Update



Our attendance has remained consistent for the last three weeks at **95%** - we are so close to that government expectation of 96%.

Thank you for ensuring your child is in school every day, when they are well enough to do so. This will enable them to get the very most out of their time in school and help them to reach their full potential.

Messages to share with your child, to help them understand why coming to school every day is so important:

- **You learn more!**
When you're in school, you get to hear the lessons, try new things, and become super smart.
- **You don't miss the fun stuff.**
Lots of exciting activities happen every day — stories, experiments, games, and challenges!
- **Your friends need you.**
Being in school means you can play, talk, and learn with your friends. They miss you when you're not there.
- **Your teachers can help you.**
Teachers love helping you learn new skills, but it's harder if you're away.
- **You feel proud.**
Coming to school every day helps you feel confident because you know what's going on and don't feel behind.
- **It helps you get better at everything.**
Reading, writing, maths, sport, art — you get better at all of them when you practise often.

- **It builds good habits.**
Coming to school regularly helps you become responsible and ready for the future.
- **Your class is a team.**
When you're here, your team is complete — and everyone learns better together.

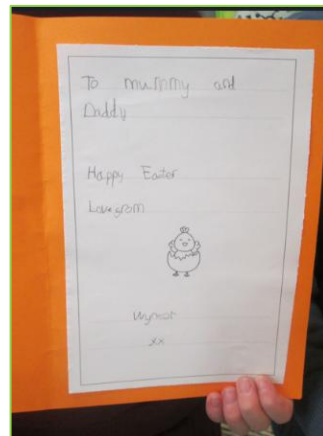
If your child is unable to attend school, please remember to let us know as soon as possible, by contacting the school on the morning of every day of their absence. Home visits are now carried out if a child has been absent for three days.

Learning

EYFS went on a walk around the local area, looking at the different types of buildings to build on our understanding of the world around us and map work. Thank you so much to the many parents and carers that volunteered their time to support with this.



RB made some beautiful Easter cards for their families, exploring printing techniques using a pompom to create a fluffy chick effect. They also showed off their fantastic handwriting when writing in their cards



In Computing, the children in **2C** have been using the iPads to collect data and represent it using pictograms.



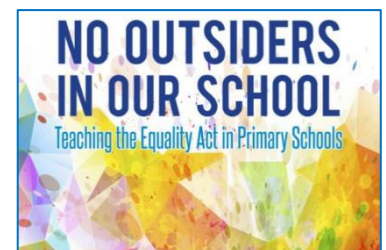
3M have been learning the song three little birds in music this week



4HH did their last OAA PE session (outdoor adventurous activities). They had to work together in small groups to follow a map with a key and create a 'mansion' out of cones and skipping ropes. Then, they showed it to another group and the other team had to work out which mansion they had made. The children showed good teamwork and communication skills to be successful.

No Outsiders Update

During our PSHE No Outsiders lessons, we have looked at the following themes through books if you wish to follow up on these at home:



EYFS – That all families are different - The Family Bok by Todd Parr

Year 1 – To be proud of who I am - Hair, It's a Family Affair by Mylo Freeman

Year 2 - To think about what makes a good friend - Amazing by Steve Antony

Year 3 - To recognise a stereotype - The Truth About Old People by Elina Ellis

Year 4 - To Find Common Ground - Aalfred and Aalbert by Morag Hood

Year 5 - To recognise when someone needs help - How to Heal a Broken Wing by Bob Graham

Year 6 - To overcome fears about difference - Leaf by Sandra Diechmann

Summer Discos

The PTA will be running the summer discos on 20th April.

Thank you to those who have volunteered so that these can go ahead. Events such as this help raise vital funds to support your children's learning and experiences in school.



Epilepsy awareness day

It was lovely to see a sea of purple on Thursday with children and staff dressing in something purple to support Epilepsy awareness day.





Celebration certificates

The role models, receiving certificates in our celebration assembly today were:

Year 1: Jack & Jimmy
Year 4: Grace & Leilani

Year 2: Sienna & Blossom
Year 5: Vinny & Zack

CELEBRATE!

Year 3: Winnie & Shannon
Year 6: Emily & Freya & Shelby

Sporting Updates



Cann Hall vs
Great Clacton
1 v 4

Netball

What a final match of the season! The game was so close with a score of 1 v 1 at half time. Despite playing well as a team, Great Clacton finally beat us 4 v 1. All of our players worked hard and impressed us with their determination throughout the game.



Cann Hall 1 - 3 Brightlingsea

Cann Hall 2 - 2 Holland Haven

Cann Hall 4 - 2 Great Clacton

Games Played	W	D	L	TP	GF	GA
8	4	2	2	14	19	11

BOYS

A very busy end to the season for the boys; we played 3 games in 3 school days!

Brightlingsea were tough opposition and unfortunately just managed to beat us despite our boys playing very well!

Then came Holland Haven and we were SUPERB. We defended incredibly well and scored two fantastic goals. A very lucky goal and a few dubious decisions made by the referee cost us the win BUT the draw does mean that Holland Haven cannot win the league which is good for us!

We finished with a very dominant win over Great Clacton with the best football we've played all season.



GIRLS

I am very proud of the girls performance this year, they have played excellently together and produced some fantastic performances.

I am looking forward to next year!

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7	3	0	3	9	21	16

This Week's Additional Information

At the end of this letter, this week, you will find information about Colchester United Community Foundation Easter holiday clubs, St Clare's Easter clubs, Tendering Easter clubs, free courses for parents and the new Spring/Summer dinner menus.

Upcoming dates

13.04.26: Children return to school
20.04.26: PTA Summer Discos
04.05.26: Bank Holiday
11.05.26: KS2 SATs Week (11-14 May)
15.06.26: Father's Day Pop-Up Shop
22.05.26: Last day of term (Half Term Holiday)
01.06.26: Children return to school
05.07.26: Year 6 Residential (5-8 July)
10.07.26: Summer Fair (weather permitting)
16:07.26: Last day of term (Summer Holiday)
17.07.26: INSET DAY (school closed to children)
20.07.26: INSET DAY (school closed to children)

From everyone here at Cann Hall, we hope you have a fantastic Easter Break.

We look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 13th April.

Kindest regards



Wendy Byrne



Dear Parents, Guardians & Players,

We hope you are well.

We would be delighted if your son or daughter joined us for our FREE Activate Camps during the Easter Holidays.

Colchester United Easter Holiday Camps 2026!

We are excited to announce that, once again, we will be partnering with Active Essex to offer FREE Activate Camps during the Easter holidays for **Primary school children**. This camp will take place in at St Clares Primary (Clacton). The camps are open to children on Free School Meals and families with low income.

We've lined up a variety of fun activities for all participants to enjoy, giving children the chance to try new sports and activities!

What's Included in Our Easter Activate Camps:

- Gifts and prizes to be awarded
- High-quality, safe facilities and equipment
- Possible appearances from Colchester United 1st team players or our club mascot, 'Eddie The Eagle'
- Special activities provided by external providers to enrich the camp experience
- Hot Meal from Timbers Restaurant

Camp Information and Booking Links:

St Clares, Clacton (CO16 8AG)

Monday 30th March, Tuesday 31st March, Wednesday 1st April, Thursday 2nd April, Tuesday 7th April, Wednesday 8th April, Thursday 9th April and Friday 10th April

- Primary School (Reception to Year 6) – 9:30am – 3:00pm - [CLICK HERE](#)

How To Book:

- If booking via the Free School Meals section, please select the booking link or [CLICK HERE](#) to see further instructions on how to claim your space via the holiday activities website. Codes will be sent out via your school.
- If registering via the Low- Income section, please email haf@activeessex.org to request a referral, and claim your code.

SCAN ME FOR OUR HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES WEBSITE OR CLICK HERE!



If you have any questions, please feel free to email Cucf@colchesterunited.net

Dear Parents, Guardians & Participants.

We're thrilled to announce that our Easter Holiday Camps are now open for booking! Register today using the links below. We have lots of fun filled camps available to cater for all participants.

What to expect from our holiday activities:

1. Activities within a safe and fun environment
2. Book for as little as just £2.80 per hour
3. High Quality Facilities
4. Gifts & Prizes to be won
5. Tailored sessions of different topics
6. Small Sided Games & Tournaments Each Day
7. Opportunities for CUFC 1st Team Player Appearances
8. Opportunities for CUFC Mascot Eddie the Eagle Appearances

Easter Holidays 2026 - Week 1:

ST CLARES PRIMARY SCHOOL, CLACTON ON SEA, CO16 8AG - Monday 30th March, Tuesday 31st March & Wednesday 1st April, Thursday 2nd April 2026
Football Camp School Years 1-6 - 9.30am-3pm (early drop off option available) - [Click Here](#)

Individual days are also available to book

Easter Holidays 2026 - Week 2:

ST CLARES PRIMARY SCHOOL, CLACTON ON SEA, CO16 8AG - Tuesday 7th April, Wednesday 8th April, Thursday 9th April, Friday 10th 2026
Football Camp School Years 1-6 - 9.30am-3pm (early drop off option available) - [Click Here](#)

Individual days are also available to book

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email us at cucf@colchesterunited.net

Regards,
Colchester United Community Foundation



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USE CODES:
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CUCFEASTER26
EXPIRES 28TH FEB

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

NEW HOLIDAY CLUB
8.30am - 5.30pm

FOR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL YEARS 1-6
A FUN, ENRICHING, & VARIED
CHILDCARE OFFER

SPORTS & GAMES
ARTS & CRAFTS
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Registered Charity Number: 1159381

FEBRUARY HOLIDAYS

SHRUB END COMMUNITY & SPORTS CENTRE, CO2 9BG

DATES	TIME	SCHOOL YEAR	COURSE	FULL PRICE	PRICE P/DAY
16 - 20 February 2026	9.30 - 16.30	1-6	OUTFIELDERS	£112.50	£25.00
16 - 20 February 2026	9.30 - 16.30	7-11	TRAIN LIKE A PRO	£112.50	£25.00
16 - 20 February 2026	9.30 - 16.30	1-8	GOALKEEPERS	£112.50	£25.00
16 - 20 February 2026	8.30 - 17.30	1-6	HOLIDAY CLUB	£135.00	£30.00

ST CLARES PRIMARY SCHOOL, CLACTON, CO16 8AG

16 - 17 February 2026	9.30 - 15.00	1-6	OUTFIELDERS	£40.00	£22.50
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ALL SAINTS PRIMARY SCHOOL, MALDON, CM9 6HY

17 - 18 February 2026	9.30 - 15.00	1-6	OUTFIELDERS	£40.00	£22.50
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JOBERVE COMMUNITY STADIUM, CO4 5UP

19 - 20 February 2026	9.30 - 16.30	1-6	OUTFIELDERS	£45.00	£25.00
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EASTER HOLIDAYS

SHRUB END COMMUNITY & SPORTS CENTRE, CO2 9BG

WEEK 1

30 March - 1 April 2026	9.30 - 16.30	1-6	OUTFIELDERS	£67.50	£25.00
30 March - 1 April 2026	9.30 - 16.30	7-11	TRAIN LIKE A PRO	£67.50	£25.00
30 March - 1 April 2026	9.30 - 16.30	1-8	GOALKEEPERS	£67.50	£25.00
30 March - 1 April 2026	8.30 - 17.30	1-6	HOLIDAY CLUB	£85.00	£30.00

WEEK 2

7 - 10 April 2026	9.30 - 16.30	1-6	OUTFIELDERS	£90.00	£25.00
7 - 10 April 2026	9.30 - 16.30	7-11	TRAIN LIKE A PRO	£90.00	£25.00
7 - 10 April 2026	9.30 - 16.30	1-8	GOALKEEPERS	£90.00	£25.00
7 - 10 April 2026	8.30 - 17.30	1-6	HOLIDAY CLUB	£110.00	£30.00

ST CLARES PRIMARY SCHOOL, CLACTON, CO16 8AG

7 - 8 April 2026	9.30 - 15.00	1-6	OUTFIELDERS	£40.00	£22.50
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ALL SAINTS PRIMARY SCHOOL, MALDON, CM9 6HY

30 March - 1 April 2026	9.30 - 15.00	1-6	OUTFIELDERS	£60.00	£22.50
7 - 9 April 2026	9.30 - 15.00	1-6	OUTFIELDERS	£60.00	£22.50

JOBERVE COMMUNITY STADIUM, CO4 5UP

31 March - 1 April 2026 & 7 - 8 April 2026	9.30 - 16.30	1-6	OUTFIELDERS	£90.00	£25.00
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EARLY DROP OFF AVAILABLE: Need an earlier start? Option at point of booking for early drop-off from **8.30am - 9.30am.**

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#enrichourcommunities

Registered Charity Number: 1159381

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Prices from as little as £2.80 per hour.

Age range 5-16 years old.

Pathway Progression into our Development Centres

Meet new friends.

Meet Col U players and/or mascot Eddie the Eagle.

Opportunities to receive gifts and prizes.

EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



In Tendring

**For lots of free & low cost activities happening
in Tendring for families over the Easter
holiday, please visit**

www.cvstendring.org.uk/school-holiday-activities/

OR SCAN OUR QR CODE



Understanding Behaviour and Supporting Emotional Wellbeing: Course for Parents



Introduction

In Essex, the Trauma Perceptive Practice (TPP) approach is helping schools/settings to better understand behaviour and support emotional wellbeing for all children and young people.

Values and Mindset

Through this training, we aim to promote:

Compassion & Kindness	Hope	Connection & Belonging
...instead of Shame & Blame	...instead of Hopelessness	...instead of Disconnection

Course Details

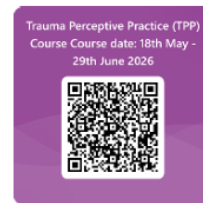
Venue: White Hall Academy Training Room
 Duration: 6 weeks
 Dates: Monday 18th May 2026
 Monday 1st June 2026 (after half term break)
 Monday 8th June 2026
 Monday 15th June 2026
 Monday 22nd June 2026
 Monday 29th June 2026
 Time: 9.30am-11.30am
 Facilitators: Ms Watts and Mrs Davis

If you would like to book a place on this course – please book via the booking link (link is also available on the school website)
 If you have any difficulty booking, please contact Suzy Watts or Tracy Davis at

White Hall Academy, Melbourne Road, Clacton on Sea, CO15 3SP
 email: admin@whitehallacademy.essex.sch.uk

Booking link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rqhnVjY-bkmsUYihtBXSrp8TtOc15hIHtQLVoqhmxyBUMkwwVVINNUhYQldVMlZZNlZEODhOUU9XTC4u>



SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU

WEEK 1

W/C: 13/04/2026, 04/05/2026, 25/05/2026, 15/06/2026, 06/07/2026, 27/07/2026, 17/08/2026, 07/09/2026, 28/09/2026, 19/10/2026

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges 🌱	Beef Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta 🍖🌾	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🍖	Pork Sausage Bites with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Battered Pollock with Chips
	OPTION 2	BBQ Vegetable Wrap with Wholegrain Rice 🌱🌾🍌	Vegetarian Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta 🌱🌾🍌	Bean and Cheese Pastry Turnover with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🌱	Macaroni Cheese 🌱🍌	Quorn Dippers with Chips 🌱
	OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🍌	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🍌	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🍌	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🍌	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🍌
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD						
DELI DISHES	OPTION 4	Cheese and Tomato Roll	Tuna and Cheese Baguette	Roast Chicken Wrap	Cheese and Tomato Roll	Tuna and Cheese Wrap
	OPTION 5	Egg Mayonnaise Roll	Ham Baguette	Cheese, Carrot and Apple Slaw Wrap 🌱	Tuna and Mayo Roll	Cream Cheese and Cucumber Wrap 🌱
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
DESSERT		Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slice 🌱🍌	Oat Cookie 🌱	Strawberry Shortcake Mousse	Apple Crumble with Custard 🌱	Chocolate Ice Cream



BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY
With a choice of toppings 🌱🍌



AVAILABLE DAILY
Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

🌱 Vegetarian 🌱 Vegan 🐟 Oily Fish 🍌 Fruity! 🌾 Wholegrain 🍖 Nutritionist's Choice

Our menu is subject to change. Please be assured that all notified medical diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for.

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SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU

WEEK 2

W/C: 20/04/2026, 11/05/2026, 01/06/2026, 22/06/2026, 13/07/2026, 03/08/2026, 24/08/2026, 14/09/2026, 05/10/2026

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges 🌱	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Tandoori Chicken with Wholegrain Rice and Chota Naan Bread 🌱🍷	Fish Fingers with Chips
	OPTION 2	OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
	OPTION 3	Tex Mex Vegetable Fajita with Wholegrain Rice 🌱🍷🥑	Beany Vegetable Burger with Potato Wedges 🌱🍷	Roast BBQ Quorn with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🌱	Macaroni Cheese 🌱🍷	Quorn Dipper Wrap with Chips 🌱
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD						
DELI DISHES	OPTION 4	Cheese and Tomato Roll	Tuna and Cheese Wrap	Roast Gammon Baguette	Cheese and Tomato Wrap	Cheese Roll
	OPTION 5	OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
		Egg Mayonnaise Roll 🌱	Cheese and Cucumber Wrap	Cheese Baguette 🌱	Tuna and Sweetcorn Wrap	Ham Roll
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
DESSERT		Apple and Golden Syrup Sponge with Custard 🌱	Chocolate Slice	Caramel Mousse	Ginger Biscuit with Melon Wedges 🌱🍷	Strawberry Ice Cream



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SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU

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W/C: 27/04/2026, 18/05/2026, 08/06/2026, 29/06/2026, 20/07/2026, 10/08/2026, 31/08/2026, 21/09/2026, 12/10/2026

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with BBQ Potato Wedges 🌱	Herby Tomato Chicken with Wholewheat Pasta 🌱🌱	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🌱	All Day Breakfast with Potato Wedges	Southern Fried Chicken with Chips
	OPTION 2	Veggie Pizza with Wedges 🌱	Cheesy Bean Burrito with Wholegrain Rice 🌱🌱🌱	Vegetarian Cottage Pie with Gravy 🌱🌱	Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread 🌱🌱🌱	Veggie Fingers with Chips 🌱
	OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🌱	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🌱	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🌱	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🌱	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🌱
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD						
DELI DISHES	OPTION 4	Cheese and Tomato Wrap	Cheese Roll	Roast Chicken Wrap	Cheese Roll	Cheese and Tomato Baguette
	OPTION 5	Houmous and Carrot Wrap 🌱	Ham Roll	Cheese Wrap 🌱	Tuna and Sweetcorn Roll	Egg Mayonnaise Baguette 🌱
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
DESSERT		Custard Shortbread with Melon Wedges 🌱	Orange Glazed Sticky Sponge Cake with Custard 🌱	Chocolate Mousse	Raspberry Jelly 🌱	Mango Frozen Yoghurt



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