

THRUPP PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

I am delighted to tell you after many discussions and lots of careful planning we will be implementing changes to our lunchtimes from 6th January. We are going to allow more 'play' time and a lot more choice as we have been doing at playtimes.

The main changes will be that children will be outside in all weathers and therefore they must have wet weather gear and wellies in their cloakrooms every day from 6th January. They will only be allowed on the grass areas and out of the shelters if they have the appropriate clothing on. Remember as Albert Wainwright quotes "There's no such thing as bad weather, only unsuitable clothing".

We would love people to donate any wet weather gear or wellingtons when their children have grown out of things, to support families and so we have spares. I don't know how we can organise this so if anyone has any ideas or would like to support some sort of 2nd hand swap shop I would love to hear from you and be extremely grateful (email me if you are able to help).

Another change is that any child who brings a packed lunch to school will be allowed to eat outside anytime they want to. The whole school will be returning to a 12-1pm lunch break. If children have a packed lunch and want to eat outside they will all eat at 12 o'clock. Hot lunches will be much more like a canteen service where they go straight in collect lunch, eat and leave to go out to play as soon as they have finished. If children want to eat packed lunches inside this will be staggered during the lunch hour to ensure we keep a nice calm environment.

The children will be free to mix with any child in any year group and they will be free to choose where they will play. This will be lovely, particularly for the year groups that are split between two classes to have an opportunity to spend a quality amount of time together.

I hope that you will agree these changes are exciting and brilliant for the children. The children do not know when it is happening yet and we will have an assembly on 6th January to talk to them about it and gather their ideas and suggestions. If you have any questions or want to know anything please feel free to email tharris@thrupp.gloucs.sch.uk

Yours Sincerely

Tina Harris

