# Fir Tree Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

This is to let you know about a small change to the published menu this week – we will be swapping the meals scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday. This means that lasagne will now be served on Wednesday and chicken goujons on Thursday.

The reason for this change is that Thursday 1st October is National School Census Day. This is an important day for schools, as the information collected by the Local Authority helps determine the level of funding the school receives.

This is particularly significant for pupils who are eligible for Free School Meals, including all children in Reception and Year 2. We are therefore hoping to encourage as many children as possible to enjoy a hot school meal on Thursday. To support this, we kindly ask that you consider allowing your child to have a school dinner on this day, even if they would normally bring a packed lunch from home.

We appreciate that some children who are not used to having a school meal may be reluctant to try something different. If you are concerned that your child may not enjoy the meal on offer, please feel free to send a small sandwich or snack as a backup, so they have something available should they choose not to eat the school lunch they have ordered.

To make the day even more exciting, every child who chooses a school meal will be entered into a prize draw, with one winner selected from each class. Each winning child will have the opportunity to invite a parent or carer to join them at school for a complimentary lunch on a day of their choice.

As a further incentive, there will be a tray bake for the class with the highest number of school dinners ordered on Census Day.

We would be extremely grateful for your support. By choosing a school meal on Census Day, you will be helping to ensure that the school receives the funding it needs to continue providing the best possible opportunities and resources for all of our children.

With warm wishes

Annette Yener
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