



CHURCH LAWTON

May 2022

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Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s),

So, we're fast approaching the beginning of June and our final term for the 2021-2022 Academic Year. In September I always tell our students how quickly the year will pass and I can see the look of incredulity amongst the sea of faces who are silently mouthing:

"Oh God, you adults know nothing, it is only September and Mr Scales is already telling us the year will pass very quickly".

The education staff were all nodding in agreement with me and before you know it Christmas has been and gone, Easter was a blur and we now talking about exam timetables and next steps.

So the 'Whitsun' half term break is upon us and the warm and sunny weather are warming our bones. The Spring term was busy and extremely productive in terms of upper secondary and post 16 students completing their GCSE mock exams and students and staff ensuring that pupils were prepared for the Summer Exams.

On Monday 16th May the upper secondary and post 16 students commenced their GCSE exam timetable. The timetable is longer this year than it has been previously. This year we have a 6 week programme. Miss Norris the School's Examination Officer will ensure that the exams are conducted and completed in line with the latest exam body instructions and guidance.

The year 6 students worked extremely hard in their SATs and were able to demonstrate to our teaching staff that their hard work and determination has paid off by completing their literacy and numeracy assessment.

I have been extremely proud of the appreciation and understanding shown by all other students in the school in ensuring that areas around exams are quiet and noise free and allowing their peers the ability to concentrate and do their very best.

Reaseheath College

Students in our Year 10 group have continued to attend Reaseheath College in order to complete their studies in subjects such as Car Mechanics, Bricklaying and Plastering and Equine studies. Students in our Year 11 group who attend sessions on a Thursday have now completed their studies. We can confirm these students did extremely well in their end of programme assessments. The students have all worked tremendously hard. My sincere thanks goes to all the instructors at Reaseheath College and to our staff who accompany and support these programmes and our students.

Adventure Learning

We continue to be able to explore the local and wider community, which has meant our Adventure Learning programme continues to go from strength to strength. To accompany this programme, we have been lucky to work alongside the Cheshire East Duke of Edinburgh Scheme instructors and plan to re-commence the Duke of Edinburgh awards from September 2022.

Please remember

As we move into the final Summer Term with the changes of restrictions being lifted, I will take this opportunity to remind you all of the following: *Continued overleaf.*



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[As we learn to live safely with COVID-19](#), there are actions we can all take to help reduce the risk of catching COVID-19 and passing it on to others. These actions will also help to reduce the spread of infections. COVID-19 and other respiratory infections such as flu can spread easily and cause serious illness in some people. Vaccinations are very effective at preventing serious illness from COVID-19. Most people can no longer access free testing for COVID-19.

Actions you can take to protect other people if you are unwell with symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19, and you have not taken a test for COVID-19.

Symptoms of respiratory infections, including COVID-19

Respiratory infections can spread easily between people. It is important to be aware of symptoms so you can take action to reduce the risk of spreading your infection to other people.

If you have symptoms of COVID-19, and you have a high temperature or you do not feel well enough to go to work or carry out normal activities, you are advised to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people.

Symptoms of COVID-19, flu and common respiratory infections include:

- continuous cough
- high temperature, fever or chills
- loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell
- shortness of breath
- unexplained tiredness, lack of energy
- muscle aches or pains that are not due to exercise
- not wanting to eat or not feeling hungry
- headache that is unusual or longer lasting than usual
- sore throat, stuffy or runny nose
- diarrhoea, feeling sick or being sick

You can find information about these symptoms on the [NHS website](#).

Children (aged 18 years and under) who have symptoms, including COVID-19

Respiratory infections are common in children and young people. Symptoms can be caused by several respiratory infections including the common cold and COVID-19.

For most children and young people, these illnesses will not be serious, and they will soon recover following rest and plenty of fluids.

Attending education is hugely important for children and young people's health and their future.

Children and young people with **mild symptoms** such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can **continue to attend school**.

Children and young people who are **unwell** and have a **high temperature** should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, and resume normal activities when they **no longer** have a **high temperature** and they are **well enough** to attend. *Continued overleaf.*

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If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for **3 days after the day they took the test**.

After 3 days, if they feel well and **do not** have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.

Children and young people who usually go to school and who live with someone who has a positive COVID-19 test result **should continue to attend as normal**.

Should you have any problems please email admin@naschurchlawton.cheshire.sch.uk

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and relaxing Whitsun Holiday and hope you have a restful and relaxing break, and we look forward to seeing you back on **Tuesday 7th June 2022**.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Scales
Principal



Attendance

Please telephone school by 8.30 a.m. **every morning** your child is **absent, and state the reason for the absence**. Where possible, please make any Doctor, Dentist or Medical appointments either before or after school hours. If appointments are during the school day please hand in a copy of your appointment card or letter to the school office, thank you.



Bringing medication into school?

Students needing medication during school hours both Prescribed and Non-Prescribed need to have a permission slip completed by a parent or guardian. Including pain relief.



Please contact your child's key worker or the school office for the consent form.

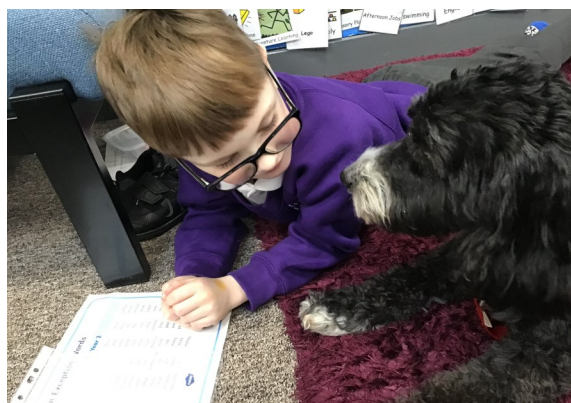
Medication needs to be handed in to an adult on arrival at school. If your child arrives by taxi please could you ring or email the school to notify us of medication coming into school.

Lottie

Lottie & Mrs McCormick have been working alongside Primary pupils to support their reading and comprehension skills. Reading with dogs helps children develop their communication skills and has a positive effect on motivation and confidence. Lottie & Mrs McCormick also work with Middle and Secondary students supporting wellbeing and social emotional adjustment.

Spending time with dogs decreases anxiety and supports positive interactions and communication.

Lottie has made a big impact on school life and the children and staff love to see her walking around school.



School Uniform

September orders



To ensure uniform is received in time for the new academic year, please place all orders by 31st July 2022.

You can order uniform through Mapac either online or over telephone:



www.mapac.com



Telephone 01923 255525

School Calendar Summer Term Dates

Summer Term	Tuesday 7th June 2022 - Wednesday 20th July 2022
Half-Term	30th May 2022 - 3rd June 2022
Inset Day	Monday 6th June 2022
Prom Afternoon Tea	Friday 24th June 2022
Language Day	Monday 4th July 2022
Summer Fair	Friday 15th July 2022
School closes	Wednesday 20th July 2022

School Lunches

On the 1st April 2022 there was a 5p increase in the cost of a school lunch and also on individual snacks. The cost of a school meal is now £2.30 per day. A list of available snacks can be found below:

Snack menu:

Toast	30p
1/2 teacake	30p
crumpet	45p
cheese oatcake	60p
Pancake	45p

Waffles	45p
Pot of fruit	45p
milkshake	60p
juice	35p
Milk	35p

WEEK 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MEAT MAIN DISH	Ham & Pineapple Pizza	Chicken tikka masala	Roast of The Week	Spaghetti Bolognese	Battered Fish
VEGETARIAN MAIN DISH	Pasta in tomato sauce	Quorn Wrap	Veggie Sausages	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Veggie Nuggets
ACCOMPANIMENTS	Seasonal Vegetables Herby Potatoes	Seasonal Vegetables Rice	Seasonal Vegetables Roast Potatoes	Seasonal Vegetables Potato Wedges	Baked Beans Peas Chips
DESSERTS	Jelly	Cook's Biscuit and custard	Strawberry Mousse	Cook's Biscuit and custard	Ice lolly
FRESH FRUIT & SALAD	Fresh fruit and Salad Bar	Fresh fruit and Salad Bar	Fresh fruit and Salad Bar	Fresh fruit and Salad Bar	Fresh fruit and Salad Bar
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WEEK 2	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MEAT MAIN DISH	All Day Breakfast	Chicken and leek pie	Roast of The Week	Beef burger in a bun	Fish Fingers
VEGETARIAN MAIN DISH	Veggie Breakfast	Quorn Sausages	Quorn Roast	Vegetable Chilli	Macaroni cheese
ACCOMPANIMENTS	Hash Browns Toast Baked Beans	Seasonal Vegetables Mash Potato	Seasonal Vegetables Roast Potatoes	Seasonal Vegetables Herby Potatoes	Baked Beans Peas Chips
DESSERTS	Jelly	Cook's Biscuit and custard	Chocolate Mousse	Cook's Biscuit and custard	Ice lolly
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WEEK 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MEAT MAIN DISH	Hot Dog	Pepperoni pizza	Roast of the week	Barbeque chicken	Fishcake
VEGETARIAN MAIN DISH	Spanish omelette	Cheese & sweet potato Pie	Salmon and leek fish pie	Vegetable curry	Veggie burger in a bun
ACCOMPANIMENTS	Seasonal vegetables Potato wedges	Seasonal vegetables Herby potatoes	Seasonal vegetables Roast potatoes	Seasonal vegetables Rice	Baked beans Peas Chips
DESSERTS	Jelly	Cook's biscuit and custard	Banana Mousse	Cook's biscuit and custard	Ice lolly
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Safeguarding



   
Safeguarding
its everyone's responsibility



Adventure Learning



Middle and Primary pupils visited Astbury Mere for Adventure Learning this half term. All students thoroughly enjoyed themselves and participated in lots of different activities. Pupils learnt how to light a fire and how to build a den in the woods. Pupils also took part in orienteering, archery and other fun team games.



Well done to all the students who received adventurer of the week!



Our Secondary students visited Cheshire Outdoors this half term for their Adventure Learning. Students participated various activities including: archery, air rifles, golf and falconry. All the students have a great day out and learnt lots of new skills.

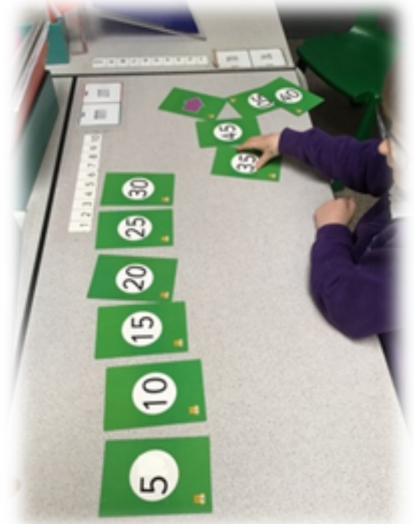


Churchill

In English, Churchill Class have been listening to stories about pirates and mermaids and have been enjoying activities around these stories.



In Maths, pupils have been focusing on the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.



We have loved making models in Art and Design using different boxes and types of fixings.

Pupils have had fun with the ribbons during sensory circuits and making dens in Adventure Learning.

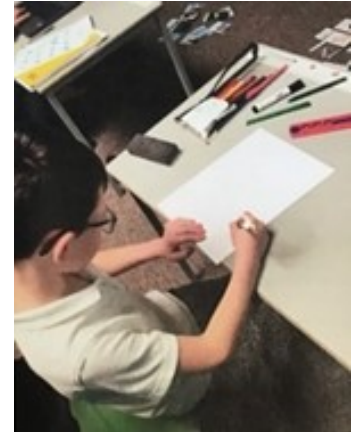
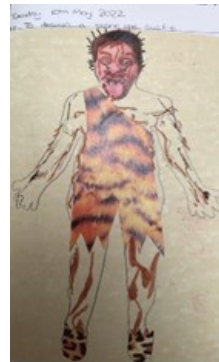


In Science, pupils have been studying plants and have planted broad beans and cress to watch them grow.



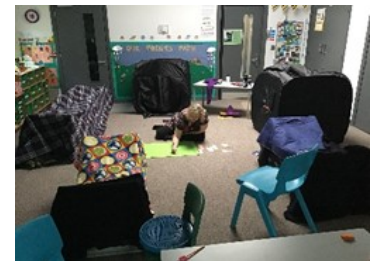
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In Science, pupils have been learning about habitats, endangered animals and extinct animals. Pupils created their own presentations on their chrome books. The detail that went into their google slides presentations was amazing.



In Maths, pupils have been working hard revising the four operations of number.

Franklin have been learning all about the Stone Age. We have linked the topic to humanities, art and English. Pupils particularly enjoyed spending time in their 'caves', designing outfits and recreating cave paintings.



Primary have enjoyed their time at Astbury Mere in their Adventure Learning sessions.



Humanities

This term we are looking to study the local town of Nantwich. Nantwich has a rich history and we have already completed a whistle stop tour of some of the key events. We have also worked on our geographical skills, using compasses and grid references.



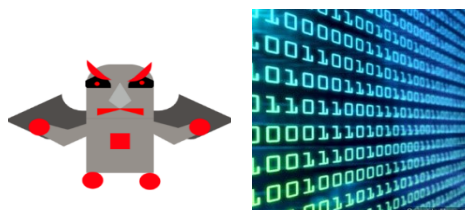
Maths

In Maths, we have challenged ourselves to get better at telling the time. This has been a tricky topic to get to grips with but with hard work and perseverance we are getting there! (Ask me what time it is!)



Computing

We have been looking at binary code and how computer systems work. Recently we have moved on to vector graphics. This involves drawing shapes and manipulating them in different ways. We created robots.



Science

'The Earth and Beyond' is our Science topic this term. We have been refreshing our knowledge of the solar system and adding to it. We were particularly interested in the recent lunar eclipse and blood moon.



English

In English, we have been working on core writing skills using the Moon as a focus for our work. We saw people on the streets of Los Angeles looking at the moon through a telescope and we thought about the language that they used (lots of WOW!) and how we could improve it. This week we are looking at the John Lewis advert "Half a World Away" and using this as a stimulus for narrative writing.

Coming Up:

An English topic called "The Moon", with lots of focus on core writing. Number skills will be the focus in Maths and an introduction to algebra. Humanities will be a local study and we hope to get out and about as much as we can during this work. For our Adventure Learning will be visiting a farm!

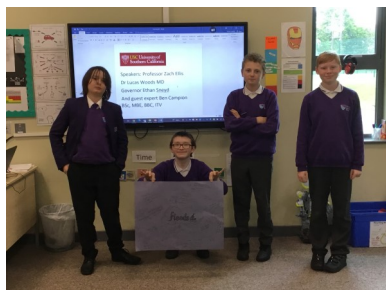
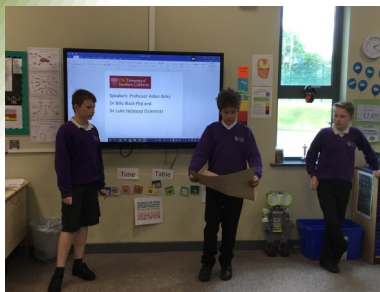
Adventure Learning

Backwoods learning is such an exciting way to spend Friday mornings!



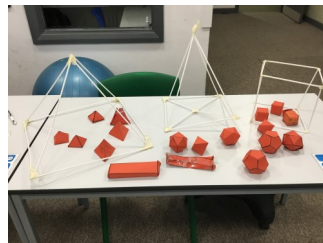
Geography

Floods vs Droughts
It's the Great British Climate-off!



Maths

I'm in love with the shape of you!



English

Author, performer and storyteller, Cat Weatherill, delivered some writing workshops and inspired us all to write. The stories we produced were FANTASTIC!



ART

And now for something completely different... sculpture!

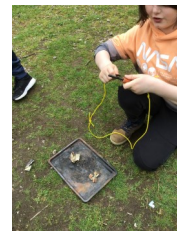


Coming Up

Maths: ratio: proportion; data handling
English: Instructions, poetry and work based on the moon.
Science: Heating and Cooling
Humanities: Civil War; The Environment; Buddhism
Art: Banksy
Adventure Learning: farm skills

Adventure Learning

We've been Bear Grylls in the forest this term.





Well, where did that half term go? We started the term with a great PSHE day looking at Crime and Punishment. Then we had a five day week and in no time at all we've reached the last week of term.

Attenborough form have been working hard, playing hard and enjoying being together, as can be seen from the first photo. We have also been working on our QOL. We have been making some great things during our creative sessions, including making bird boxes. As we enter the final week the form our pupils looking forward to our Adventure Learning day, our Jubilee Picnic and then hopefully a relaxing week of rest (mine will be spent with a paintbrush in hand).

Best Regards, Mr Shaw, Ms Caddy, Mrs Travis and Mr Pryce



Cadbury Form

QOL – Maintenance

Using tools safely is important and the students were able to transfer their knowledge and skills through the construction of bird houses.



I can't believe we are at the end of this half term! All of our students have been hard at work this term, however, we have had some fun too.

We hope you all have a very enjoyable break.

Cadbury Team:
Mrs Moran, Mrs Granville,
Mrs Lovelock and
Mr Warrilow



CREATIVE – Gardening

Victor has been enjoying learning all about gardening. Along with other students, he has been planting and learning how to maintain gardens.



HISTORY

The students have been learning about Victorian inventions including transport. Students have looked at roads, canals and railways.



STAR AND ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Well done to William, Victor and Luke for your awards this term. In addition, congratulations to Victor for receiving the most rewards points this half term. Keep up the good work everyone!!



Have a well deserved break. Thank you for a great term!! Cadbury Form

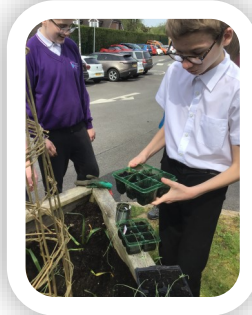


This term has been bittersweet for Matthews as one of Church Lawton's original students has left us to move to Scotland. Although Michael has been a key part of the school and its short history, he left happy, appreciated and ready to move onto his next chapter. We threw him a great big party with pin the horn on the unicorn, pin the head on the dove, a fun relay and a big piñata which was fun for everyone!

Aside from this, our year 9s have now chosen their options for GCSE and are looking forward to narrowing down their subjects and interests. All the form have been working extra hard in lessons and making great progress in many ways. It's amazing to think how much everyone has grown and developed into the person they are today, all made possible due the support of their friends, family and school. Pupils are looking forward to many more amazing things during the rest of the Summer term!

Michael's leaving party

Farewell to Michael who has moved to Glasgow.



QOL—Maintenance

Michael's friends gave him a cheery farewell!!!



Nightingale

Here is a snapshot of Nightingale's activities over the last half term.



Our students enjoyed a trip to the Knife Angel on 28th April. It has been touring the UK and stopped off in Hanley.

Afterwards we stopped for a welcome snack at McDonalds.



Here are Alex and Freya demonstrating their Archery skills at Stanley Head near Leek. They also went orienteering during the day and nobody got lost!



Our PSHE day on Crime and Punishment was an outstanding success and the pupils were able to show their debating skills in the following areas. Defence team and prosecution teams while others adjudicated on the jury and one of our Nightingale pupils presided as judges at the trial.

Good luck to all of our pupils who are currently taking their examinations.



From all of us in Nightingale, we hope you have a lovely break and enjoy the Queens Jubilee celebrations.

BRANSON

Branson have had a very productive half term. We started the term with a mock trial. The defendant was a member of our form and was convicted and found guilty. We all really enjoyed the day preparing either the defence or prosecution case or being a member of the jury. The students all learnt a lot about the criminal justice system.

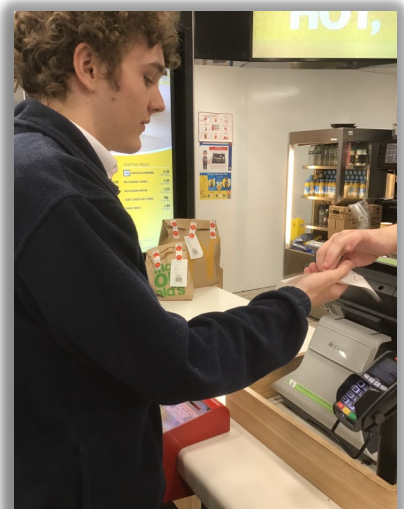
All our students have been working really hard this half term. Our Year 11 students have been finishing off coursework pieces and preparing for exams. Even some of our Year 10s have had some exams. Some of our students have been to college interviews, returning positive and have found the experience really useful.

In Science, the students have been enjoying looking at forces, what affects them, mass, gravity and how we work out the force of something. They have used weights and springs and this week they had a go at throwing to use their own personal force on an object.

We have also had fun with concave and convex lenses and learnt how light is reflected, refracted and why we see individual colours.

This half term at Reaseheath, we have been very busy. The Equine group have been busy building their independence by working on their own in preparation for their assessments. Students are becoming very proficient at tacking up.

On the Motor Vehicle course, our Year 11 students have now completed and passed their course. A huge congratulations to both students!





Newton

This half term has been busy and exciting for the pupils in Newton Form. The boys have been completing assessment work and preparing for their exams, so it has meant putting in some hard work. Well done to you all.

All the boys attending Reaseheath College have been making very good progress and have been completing their assessment exams. Congratulations to Harley, who completed and passed his motor mechanics exams this term and good luck to George who is waiting for his animal care assessment results. Meanwhile Zak has been enjoying learning new skills on the joinery course.

There has also been some fantastic cooking going on which I'm sure you have all enjoyed at home! Some of the Newton pupils had an excellent day visiting the Knife Angel in Hanley and to top it off, they went to McDonald's where they had to put in orders and buy their lunch as part of the QOL course.



This term our Sixth Form pupils have been preparing themselves for the exam season. Some students are taking their BTEC Food and Art before they move on at the end of this academic year. Some students are still attending their work experience placements at Petal Power, Sandbach Leisure Centre and TBE Motors.

Students recently visited the Knife Angel at Stoke as part of our QOL lesson and then they enjoyed lunch at McDonalds.

From all the staff in Sixth Form, we would like to wish you an enjoyable break.





Food BTEC recipe of the term

Chocolate Brownies

<https://www.recipetineats.com/easy-chocolate-brownies/>



Ingredients	Equipment:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200g unsalted butter • 200 g dark chocolate chips • 175g brown sugar • 3 eggs • 1 tsp vanilla extract • 75g plain flour • 30g cocoa powder • Pinch of salt • 180g dark chocolate block/bar (optional) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Square tin • Weighing scales • Fork • Heatproof Bowl • Heatproof spoon • Knife (not sharp) • Sieve • Chopping board for chocolate • Measuring jug

Preheat the oven 180/160 °C fan

Grease a 20cm square tin with oil and line with baking/parchment/tin foil with overhang.

Gather ingredients and equipment. Weigh and cut up dark chocolate on board. Put to one side.

Break eggs into measuring jug and beat with fork. Put to one side.



Weigh butter and chocolate chips into a heatproof bowl, microwave in 30 second bursts until melted. Stir until smooth.



Weigh sugar into bowl and vanilla, mix, then add eggs and mix well until smooth and molten.



Sieve flour into the mixture, then the cocoa. Add salt and stir until smooth. Add the melted chocolate and mix until smooth.

Next stir in chopped chocolate.

Pour mixture into lined tin



Bake for 25-30 minutes

Leave to rest for 10 minutes before removing from pan. Allow to cool for 20 minutes before cutting.

This term the Food BTEC group have been showing off their cooking skills, both during lessons and in their cooking assessment practical.

This recipe is a firm favourite with our students. Why not try it at home as well?



For example: Sometimes I get anxious and stressed by.....
You can help me by giving me some time
or contacting the emergency person on the back of this card.

**Please fill in to explain to people
why you are showing them this card.**

Hello,

My name is:

Thank you

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Autistic people sometimes:

- struggle with change, new situations and talking to new people
- get very anxious in social situations
- feel overwhelmed by lights, noise and too much information
- need extra time to process information, like questions or instructions
- have meltdowns or go into shut down if it is all too much

To find out more, go to autism.org.uk



One in 100 people are autistic. You are not alone.

The National Autistic Society is the UK's leading charity for autistic people. Founded in 1962 we are here to transform lives, change attitudes and help create a society that works for autistic people.

Autism Alert Card



Instructions

- 1 Fold and stick both sides together
- 2 Cut out and fold your card
- 3 Fill in the spaces
- 4 Carry it in your purse or wallet



Fold here

Emergency contact details

Name:

Number:

Email:

Please contact this person

**I am
autistic**

Please see inside for important
information.



Cut here

Thank you for ordering your Autism Alert Card.

Many members of the public don't understand autism and how things they take for granted might cause difficulties for people on the spectrum. This card is a great way for you to let them know you are autistic and that you may need some extra time or help in certain situations.