

We Bake A Difference

Wellspring Catering Newsletter | Winter Term



Our Catering Vision



Delicious, nutritional and healthy meals



Creative and Innovative



Pupils at the heart of the service



High quality food standards



Exceptional dining experience

Welcome to We Bake A Difference – our new termly newsletter talking about food and good news stories from across our academies.

At Wellspring Academy Trust, we are working to transition the catering arrangements across all our academies to an 'in house' offer.

We are currently developing healthy, nutritious, and tasty menus and planning engagement activities 'beyond the kitchen' to embrace the whole dining experience.

Wellspring Catering Promotional Calendar

Throughout the year our catering teams will be encouraging meal uptake with a number of themed events.

All pupils can enjoy a themed menu, your child does not have to eat school meals every day to participate in these one off events.

Wellspring Catering Promotional Calendar 2023/24

Autumn/Winter

September

Theme Day

British Food Fortnight



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Sustainability

October

Theme Day

Curry Week

Space Week

Halloween



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Sugar Smart

November

Theme Day

Bonfire Night

School Meals Week

Children in Need

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Cooking Classes

December

Theme Day

Turkey and Tinsel

Hydrate

Christmas

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Portion Wise

January

Theme Day

Plant Power Day

Hydrate

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Move to Improve

February

Theme Day

Valentines Day

Veg Power

Chinese New Year

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Curriculum Activity

Spring/Summer

March

Theme Day

Mothers Day Lunch

British Science Week

World Book Day

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Recycle, Reuse

April

Theme Day

World Health Day

Spring Themed Menu

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Earth Day

May

Theme Day

National Vegetarian Week

Walk to School Week

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Sunflower Growing Competition

June

Theme Day

Fathers Day Lunch

Wimbledon

School Picnic

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Staying Hydrated

July

Theme Day

Stars and Stripes

Leavers Lunch

Summer Holiday

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Smoothie Bike

August

Theme Day

Healthy Food Swaps

Keep Active

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Summer Holiday Activity Pack

Investment

Wellspring have invested in both people and the infrastructure to ensure the success of our catering offer.

Over £100k invested.

Wellspring have employed a team of skilled individuals to mobilise and deliver the service.

Development Chef – craft skills and quality
Compliance Manager – legislative and best practice
Two Regional Managers – to support the day to day operations
Head of Service with strategic responsibility

Investment in infrastructure, dishwashers, ovens, light equipment, and IT.

Sustainability

Wellspring are committed to creating a sustainable food offer.

Providing a sustainable food offer.

Our development chef looks at seasonal produce when designing menus and works with Academies to drive down food waste.



Sustainability

Wellspring are committed to creating a sustainable food offer.

Working with Local Suppliers.

Reducing food miles by sourcing our fresh meat, dairy, fruit, and vegetables from a regional supply chain. Using seasonal produce when designing menus and encouraging ways of working that reduce food waste.

Sourcing products that meet industry recognised standards and where possible suppliers from regions where our academies are located.

Wellspring is committed to reviewing our supply chain ongoing to provide the best value for money to our academies, pupils, and parents/careers.

Our Accreditations

As part of our Corporate Responsibility commitments we are proud that all our meat is Red Tractor and Fish MSC certified, and that all our eggs are free range.



Free School Meals – delicious, tasty, healthy, nutritious... and FREE!

You could save over £400 per year...

- Our menus meet the **government school food guidelines**
- Our menus contain at least **one portion of fruit and one portion of vegetables**
- All our foods **meet allergen guidelines**
- We offer a **tasty hot meal** selection with **salad** and **fresh bread** options
- We make food fun, encouraging children to **try something new**

Register online for FREE school meals at www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

