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Groundhog day came and went this week, but I'm afraid I didn't dare to check whether he was predicting 6 more weeks of winter. The sun is shining at the moment, and I'll take that.

I would again like to thank all the staff who have worked so hard to get up to speed with the remote learning offer we offer our pupils. Thanks also go to all of you parents who go to such lengths to support your children in accessing it. As you know, we leave recordings of sessions on Teams so that you are not tied to accessing all teaching as it happens. We also use this as part of our safeguarding checks. Please ensure that these recordings are used correctly; there have been scare stories in the press about recordings being shared which naturally worry our staff.

I am grateful to those of you who access in school provision who have been able to cut down your days; this means that our daily numbers have remained pretty much the same, even though more children are now on the list. I would remind all children coming into school that they should be in correct school uniform- shirts and ties for all in yr1 up; proper shoes and PE Kits. Coats MUST be green; we are not half way through the year yet, so there will be plenty of time to get your money's worth from them. Most supermarkets sell them, or e-bay is a good place to look. Hats, gloves and scarves should be green as well.

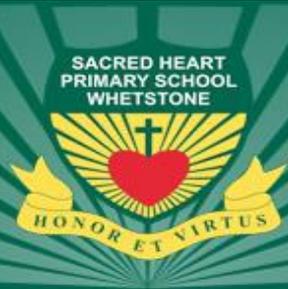
Schools will be closed over February half-term and free school meals will be provided by the Covid winter grant scheme as at Christmas.

### **Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 9th February**

Tuesday next week is safer internet day. More than ever, we recognise the importance of being aware of our children's safety online. There will be a session or shared video on this topic both with pupils in school and at home at some point next week. We have also purchased access to this webinar for parents. You play a vital role in ensuring your children remain safe while using online platforms. I think this webinar will give you a very good insight into what you need to be aware of and how you can manage online access for your children. We ask that you please try to watch it if you can. You will have access from Monday 8th February through to Friday 12th February. Please follow this link to access the

webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/941514418629592846>

The flyer below gives you some further information about what to expect.



 **Online Safety**   
**For Parents & Carers**

Provided by a specialist from Education Child Protection Ltd.

What is covered in the session?

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What children are taught about online safety (specific to their age)
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Latest trends of what children are doing online
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Details of the current 'apps' & games that children are using & playing
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The issues & dangers children face online
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How we can make children safer online
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Details of what support is available for you & your family

What parents & carers who have had us deliver our sessions say...

- "I thought it was well-paced, useful and well-delivered"
- "Lots of clear information, well presented"
- "Although I attended as a parent, I am also a teacher. I will be recommending that we hold a session like this for the parents at my school"

Our online safety sessions are regularly updated to reflect the ever-changing online world & with children using devices to access the internet well before they start school, we would encourage all parents & carers to attend!

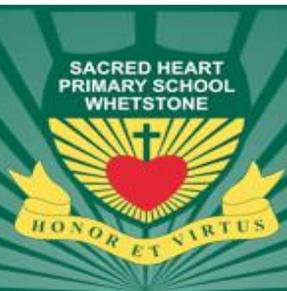
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**School Lunches Lockdown Menu**

**Please continue to make payments for your children's meals online with Feeding Hungry Minds**

**Each morning we will be asking the children if they want the meat or**





**vegetarian option so we can give this information to the kitchen.**

**Please see menu below:**

The menu for Week Commencing **8 February:**

<b>MON</b>	<b>TUES</b>	<b>WEDS</b>	<b>THURS</b>	<b>FRI</b>
<b>V</b> – Pizza <b>V</b> – Quorn sausages Potato wedges	<b>M</b> –Chicken Curry <b>V</b> - Jacket potato cheese/beans	<b>M</b> –Roast Chicken <b>V</b> – Soya fries	<b>M</b> - Burger <b>V</b> - Veggie Burger Potato wedges	<b>M</b> - Fish <b>V</b> – cheese and tomato pasta
Vegetables	Vegetables	Vegetables	Vegetables	Vegetables
Frozen toffee yoghurt	Sponge Cake	Apple Crumble and custard	Sponge Cake	Pancakes
Fruit/Yoghurt	Cheese & crackers	Fruit/yoghurt	Cheese & crackers/fruit	Fruit/Yoghurt

**Children’s Writing Competition in association with Michael Rosen and Walker Books UK**

Barnet Libraries are launching a fantastic writing competition for children and teenagers in association with Michael Rosen and Walker Books UK.

‘The Missing’ by Michael Rosen is the true story of Michael’s search for his relatives who ‘went missing’ during the Second World War. When Michael was growing up, stories often hung in the air about his great-uncles; one was a clock-mender and the other a dentist. “They were there before the war”, his dad would say, “and weren’t after”.

For many years, Michael tried to find out exactly what happened; he interviewed family members, scoured the internet, pored over books and travelled to America and France.

The story he uncovered was one of terrible persecution. The book is a powerful tool for talking to children & teenagers about the Holocaust.





## The Competition

We would love to hear a story about one of your family relatives/ancestors that you have discovered.

## Rules

- The competition opens on Monday 1 February.
- All entries must be received by midnight on Sunday 28 February 2021.
- Your entry must be typed, in a Word document or written in an email.
- The competition is open to 5 to 16-year olds.
- Your story must be in no more than 500 words. Entries over 500 words will be disqualified.
- If possible, please include an image of the person you are writing about. Don't worry if you don't have one. Your story will still be judged fairly.
- The judges' decision is final
- [Please do not send your entry before 1 February 2021. Any received before this date will not be included.](#)

## Prize

From our best 10 entries, Michael Rosen will select the winning 5. The 5 winners will each receive a copy of Michael's book, 'The Missing'.

## How to submit your entry

Please send your entry, along with:

- your name
- your age and
- contact details, including an email & your or your parent's mobile or landline telephone number

to [libraryevents@barnet.gov.uk](mailto:libraryevents@barnet.gov.uk).

Your details will only be used to contact you if you are a winner.

## Tips to help you

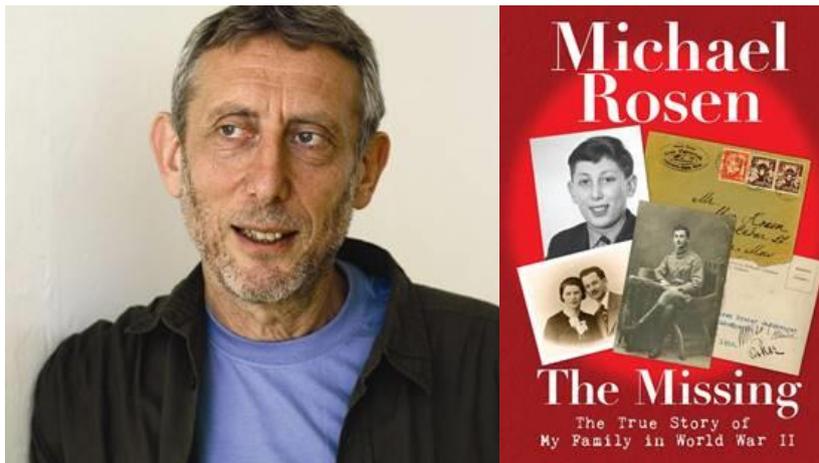
You can order a copy of 'The Missing' from our [online catalogue](#) or via our [Select & Collect service](#).

[To find out about your own relatives, you can use family history site Ancestry for free with your Barnet library card and PIN. Just click on the 'online resources' icon to access Ancestry. In addition, you can also join the library via this link if you are not currently a member, just click on the 'join the library' icon.](#)

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[Find out how to use Ancestry from home by downloading our PDF or watch our video.](#)



## **Parents Association**

### **Easyfundraising**

This month you can WIN £500 for the school by entering Easyfundraising's Valentine's Giveaway! For a FREE entry, all you have to do is visit the competition page and click any of the listed retailers. This would make a BIG difference to us during this difficult time, so please take a moment to get involved!

[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/giveaway/valentines?utm\\_campaign=raise-more&utm\\_medium=whatsapp&utm\\_content=rm-valgiv21-w1](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/giveaway/valentines?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_medium=whatsapp&utm_content=rm-valgiv21-w1)

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