

Welcome To Chartwells *Smestow School*

We know how important it is for pupils to receive tasty, wholesome food whilst at school and look forward to welcoming pupils to join the Chartwells family from the start of term.

We love to encourage fun and experimentation at lunch times with our 11-18 year olds. As you'll be well aware, they're in their main development years and helping them make the best choices and broadening their food experiences is so important. Every day we strive to create the most tasty meals, that are nutritionally balanced and compliant with School Food Standards.

This is what we do:

- Create fresh food made with good honest ingredients
- We cater for all food tastes and dietary requirements – our menus will feature a variety of dishes
- We encourage all pupils to try something new and regularly provide sample taster pots for pupils to try.
- These may include international foods linked to language groups, energy foods to support rehearsals and sports practice and traditional meals generally related to subjects such as history or music
- We like to engage with pupils about menu choices and will regularly hold food committee meetings to gather feedback and propose new dishes and ideas



Know the basis:

If you are interested in learning more about our school lunches, please let us know and we will be happy to talk to you in more details. Our catering team are always contactable for any questions and queries.

What will you see in the Autumn term?

- ✓ New improved menus.
- ✓ Delicious **homemade snacks** - Seasonal fruit pots, low sugar such as our delicious fruity flapjacks.
- ✓ Tasty hot lunches, seasonal salad bars and homely style **desserts**
- ✓ **Food education and interaction program** supported by Chartwells Nutrition team.



Theme days – street food led:

- Street food is not only a trend but how everyone eat day to day.
- Theme days are a great way of introducing innovation into our offer and help keep students excited about our offer.

Working Together During COVID

- A range of social distancing signage has been developed specifically for children using a softened message.
- Hand sanitiser will always be available and must be used by all visitors.
- Clear signage and marking on where to stand and queue.
- Thorough cleaning regime in place especially on touch point areas.
- Safe spaces in the dining room, so pupils are sat close enough to engage with their peers, but far enough to protect one another.