Annacurra N.S.

Healthy Eating Policy

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Annacurra N.S. wishes to promote healthy school lunches as one area of an overall healthy lifestyle which in turn:

- a) Will help concentration and learning
- b) Will improve overall health and wellbeing
- c) Will reduce tooth decay
- d) Will help foster good eating habits from a young age.

Lunches should be high in fibre and low in fat, sugar and salt.

Suggestions: Fruit, washed raw vegetable pieces, wholemeal pitta breads/wraps/sandwiches with healthy fillings, unsalted plain or wholewheat crackers with fruit or cheese, plain rice cakes.

Recommended drinks Water, milk.

Foods not Recommended

Frubes (yoghurt in tubes). These can be very messy for children in junior classes.

Dairylea Lunchables, Dunkers or similar pre-packed lunches.

Popcorn

Cereal Bars (some contain up to 33.5g of sugar)

Foods not allowed

Nuts (May cause choking or allergies) Fizzy/Sugary Drinks Coke Capri-sun Crisps

Chewing gum

Bars of Chocolate, Sweets

The School advocates the use of bottles/ beakers to comply with our Green School Policy rather than the use of cartons. We encourage children to take home wrappers and cartons to help reduce waste charges.