

Red Oaks Primary School
22nd September 2021
Newsletter



Great Start

Another great week and the children have had a very positive start and appear to be settled at school. Thank you for supporting us to make the start of the year such a great one for the children. Please ensure you check ClassDojo and the website for regular updates.

Symptoms and illness

If your child has a new or continuous cough, a high fever or loss of sense of taste/smell, please arrange a PCR test as soon as possible. We know there are lots of colds and illness around at the moment but we are still following guidance that your child must be sent home if they have any of the above 3 symptoms.



Lunch boxes

Please can all parents ensure that products containing nuts including Nutella and similar spreads are not used in packed lunches. We do have some children with serious allergies so we do have a 'no nuts' policy. For Safety reasons, please can you also ensure that if grapes are sent in, these are cut in half (longways) as this minimises any choking hazard. Many thanks.

PE

Children will need to keep PE kits in school all week so it is best that these are **NOT** taken backwards and forwards each day. If your child is not well enough to do PE, please send in a signed note or leave a message with the office. **Please ensure that ALL uniform is clearly marked with your child's name, including their shoes/trainers, as this will enable the quick return of any mislaid items.** Many thanks.

Bikes and Scooters

Please ensure they all bikes and scooters are walked into school as soon as you are through the main gates. This is for safety reasons as the mornings and evenings can get very busy with both cars and pedestrians.



Parents Evening Survey

As a school we are evaluating our options with regard to parents evening on the 20th October. Please can you complete the form below with your preferences.

Based on the responses given we will decide on how we will run parents evening in October.

(This is NOT the booking system for parents evening and we cannot guarantee you will get your preferred appointment preference. We are conducting this survey in order to understand what the preferences are.)

The link for the form is below. Please can this be completed by Tuesday 28th September at 5pm.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=HVyXAbWG+kSN_jqgVK1qhvkpDS4xoKdCvLEOuQ_URAdUN0xaSjM2SVIyVDk1M09FM0UwOU1UT1c2Qi4u

Nursery and Reception Parents - Interactive Learning Diary (ILD)

Throughout your child's time in Nursery and Reception we will use the Interactive Learning Diary to record observations and assess your child's development against the Early Years Framework. At the end of the terms 2, 4 and 6 we open the Interactive Learning Diary (ILD) so parents can view their child's observations and add any learning that is being undertaken at home.

In order to access the portal you will need to register on the ILD website. Your child should have already received their letter with their log in details.

If you have any questions please contact Mr Cowell on fsmanager@redoaks.org.uk

Contacting School

School office hours are 8.30am-3.30pm please be aware that calls are not answered outside of these hours. Our phone number is 01793 493920. If you have any questions or concerns, please use the following contacts:

Mrs Maxfield - head@redoaks.org.uk

Mr Lee - deputyhead@redoaks.org.uk & Yr123@redoaks.org.uk - Years 1, 2 & 3

General queries - Admin team - office@redoaks.org.uk

Mr Cowell - fsmanager@redoaks.org.uk - Foundation Stage queries - Nursery & Reception

Miss Gerrard - Yr456@redoaks.org.uk - Years 4, 5 & 6

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If your child is unwell and will not be attending school please send an email to Mrs Ponting on pontingj@redoaks.org.uk as well as letting the teacher know on Class Dojo, many thanks.

Pupil Premium

All children who currently qualify for free school meals based on their family circumstances are entitled to pupil premium. This applies if you receive any of the following benefits:

- Universal credit (provided you have a net income of £7,400 or less)
- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit
- Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less

If your child is entitled to Universal Free School meals (Years Reception to 2) then your child will not qualify for Pupil Premium unless you are also in receipt of any of the above benefits.

An application for Pupil Premium funding will need to be made for each child in your household. The money that the school receives is assigned to individual children but is used to narrow the gap for disadvantaged children in general and benefit all the wider school population.

If you think that your child qualifies for Pupil Premium funding, please collect an application form from the school office. If you have any questions or would like some help with the application form please contact Mr Lee via the school office or via email deputyhead@redoaks.org.uk.

Relative reading:

We are very excited to be able to welcome you in this Friday at 2:30pm for Relative Reading with your children. However, we feel it would be best to do this outside and will have zones for each class to sit in. Please could you maintain social distancing and stay with your family group. Please enter through the main school gate. At 2:50pm the children will be called in to get ready for home time and then sent back out at 3:00pm.

Upcoming Dates

Friday 24th September- Relative Reading @2:30pm with your child in their class

Saturday 25th September - Car Boot Sale 10:30am-12:30pm in the car park

Tuesday 5th October - Flu immunisations - This has been cancelled - new date to follow

Thursday 14th October- Individual and sibling photos

Friday 15th October- Harvest Festival- food donations

Term 1 science competition:

Hi everyone! Welcome back to another fantastic school year 😊


Following on from the huge success with our 'at home science challenges' we are going to continue this year. 🙌📦

Here is our term one challenge - it is a physics challenge linked to colour and light. Remember to send any photos or videos to me (Miss Wilson) or your class teacher and certificates will be awarded at the end of term.

This challenge is for everyone 🙌📦

Colour Spinners


Science Experiment



Method

1. Using the sharp pencil and sticky tack, make 2 holes near the centre of the disc.
2. Thread the string through the holes and arrange it so that the disc is half way down the string.
3. Tie the ends of the string together.
4. Hold the string at each end, putting your finger inside the loop. Loop the disc over the string several times to make the string twisted.
5. Pull your hands apart slightly and the disc will spin.
6. Use a 'yo-yo' action of making the string tight and slack to keep the disc spinning.
7. After an adult has demonstrated the spinner, allow the children to have a turn.

You will need:
Newton's Disc - printed onto card
String 50cm-60cm in length
Sharp pencil
Sticky tack



Red Oaks Rules Out The Bully



PHYSICAL



EMOTIONAL



VERBAL



CYBER

Is someone bullying me?

Think about what has happened to you.

Was it done on purpose?

