

Red Oaks Primary School
3rd November 2021
Newsletter



Car Park

Parents/Carers - Please ensure you park your vehicle on the Visitor side **ONLY** - please do not use the spaces on the staff side at any time of day. Thank you.

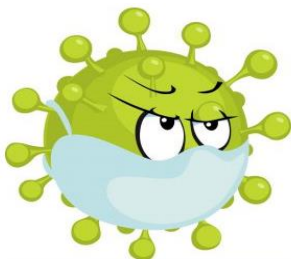
Nursery & Reception School Tours

We are starting to run our school tours for children starting in Nursery or Reception in 2022. These are held every Thursday at 11.15am. You do not need to book these, please just turn up at the school office and one of the ladies will give you a quick tour of the school.



Mrs Maxfield, Head of School, will also do tours on the following dates:

- 15th November at 5.30pm
- 19th November at 1.30pm



Covid 19 Test Results

If your child tests **positive** on a Lateral Flow Test (LFT) let the school know. You **MUST** book them in straight away for a **PCR test to confirm** if they have Covid.

When your child has had their **PCR** test result, please contact the school office to inform us **immediately** so that we can update our records, either by telephone (01793 493920) or send an email with the subject line "**Positive PCR and child's name**" to Mrs Ponting on pontingj@redoaks.org.uk.

Harvest Festival - A Big Thank You!

Our Harvest festival was incredible in many ways, not least because we had been unable to do this in the traditional way for such a long time, due to the recent pandemic.

The needs of the community have changed as a result of the pandemic and so the collection of items this year was different. As always, our school community were incredibly generous and I am thrilled that almost 200 kilos of items were donated along with £85.50 in cash donations!



Our new in post Charity Ambassadors rose to the challenge on the day and between them they collected the donations, displayed them in the hall and then very kindly packed them and helped Cher Smith from the Swindon Food Collective get them to her van so they could start making a difference straight away.

It doesn't stop there as we will be seeing Cher again this term and may even have a live link into their warehouse - so the children can really appreciate the difference they have made and why the Swindon Food Collective make such a difference in the community.

Primary School Admissions for September 2022

Most children start school at the start of the school year following their fourth birthday. They can't start school before this. Unless you decide to educate your child at home, your child must start school by the school term following their fifth birthday.

You can apply for a primary or infant school place starting September 2022 for a child born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018. For more information and to apply for a place please visit:

https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20071/school_places_and_admissions/427/primary_school_places_and_admissions

This application must be completed online and the **deadline for applications is 15th January 2022**.

BBC Children in Need is back on Friday 19th November!

With the help of schools like ours, Children in Need can help to tackle the lasting impact of the pandemic and support thousands of children in local communities across the UK. This year's strapline for schools couldn't be any better with 'Do good and feel good!'. The children have the option to either dress up/down, in pyjamas or Pudsey ears and then donate a £1 through parent pay

We are hoping to take part in a simultaneous online fitness class on the day with Schools Ambassador, Joe Wicks!



We would also encourage all our families to post either the family or the children or both doing good or feeling good on the school Dojo site! Let's flood it with wonderful things that are keeping our children healthy and happy!

Upcoming Dates

19th November - Children in Need Day!!

22nd November - Bags2School

8th December - Flu vaccinations - details will follow nearer the time

13th December - Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day!

17th December - school finishes for Xmas Holidays

5th January 2022 - School reopens

15th January - Deadline for Primary School Admissions

28th January - Bags2School



Pick a Prize Plate

- Every day for 22 days from 08 November three plates will have a Prize Sticker placed underneath
- If you find your plate has a winning sticker, simply bring it to one of the lovely kitchen team and you will win one of these little prizes...!
- Wax Crayon Sets x 10
- 18pc Colouring Set x 10
- Sonic Amplifier & Phone Stand x 10
- Squeezy Water Bottle x 10
- Fidget Pen (Red) x 10
- Football Clicker Pen x
- Pencil Case Set x 3
- Earbud Set x 3
- GOOD LUCK!!



THE DEANERY CE ACADEMY



Swing Birds

SWINDON'S ALL FEMALE 16 PIECE BIG BAND AND SINGERS

CHARITY CONCERT

Sunday 7th November 2021

Peglars Way, Wichelstowe

SN1 7DA

7.30pm 'til 10pm



DOORS OPEN 6.30 PM

TO PURCHASE A DEFIBRILLATOR FOR THE COMMUNITY ENTRANCE AT THE DEANERY.



WE ARE ALSO RAISING FUNDS FOR THE PROSPECT HOSPICE
PROSPECT HOSPICE REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 280093



FEATURING OUR SPECIAL GUEST - 'CRISSY LEE' ON DRUMS

Licensed Bar Raffle



TICKETS

£10

TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE FROM MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER...
<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/stardustdance>



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MINDFULNESS FOR PARENTS & CARERS

A practical guide to looking after yourself in the midst of parenting



9 WEEK ON-LINE COURSE

Adapted from the bestselling book "Finding Peace in a Frantic World" by Mark Williams & Danny Penman

STARTS JAN 20TH 2022

Subsidised Cost:

FREE TASTER SESSIONS TO FIND OUT MORE

On-line from 8pm to 9pm

Wednesday 17th November

Thursday 25th November

Mindfulness offers many benefits: it helps our mental and physical well-being and has been shown to alleviate anxiety, depression, stress and chronic pain.



COURSE GUIDE

Susie Stead is an Oxford-based mindfulness teacher, trained & competency assessed by the Oxford Mindfulness Centre (OMC) & an OMC partner. She is also the parent of three now adult children.

For more information, www.susiestead.com/mindfulness-teacher,
<https://www.facebook.com/mindfulnessinoxfordshire>

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