

It was a real pleasure to visit many of the classes with the new Trust CEO, Mrs Gemma Piper, this week. It was her first visit to the classrooms and seeing the school in action. She was so impressed with how engaged the children are in their learning, their positive interactions with staff and how well the children settle to their learning at the start of each day. This is a real testament to the great routines we have in place here at Red Oaks and to the hard work and dedication of the all the staff. What a great start to the school year!

Next week you will receive information about our Parents' Evening session which is taking place on 16th October from 1:20pm until 6:30pm. On this day children will be finishing school at 1:10pm.

### **Breakfast Club**



A reminder that all children attending breakfast club must be dropped to the hall doors by an adult.

### **Beginning and End of School Day**

Please can we remind children should not be arriving in school before 8.20am. A gentle reminder that school finishes at 3.00pm. Please ensure you are here promptly to collect your children. If you are running late, please ring the school office to let us know.

### **Batteries**



If you have any batteries you would like to recycle, please send them into school for us to recycle.

### **Children's Garden Furniture**

We would be grateful for any small garden furniture that you may no longer need at home. Please drop to the office. Many thanks

### **Communication via Dojo**



We are very fortunate to have Class Dojo as a communication tool between teachers and parents. Whilst it is a fantastic tool, please do be aware that staff are not expected to respond to Dojo messages after 6pm and do have 48 hours to respond to any message sent. Please also remember that whilst it is an online tool, there is a person (usually the class teacher) receiving the message. With the start of term, a small number of the communication received has not been in line with the vision and values of the school. The Code of Conduct is clear that we expect parents/carers to respect the ethos, vision and values of our school; work together with staff in the best interests of our pupils; treat all members of the school community with respect. We appreciate your cooperation and understanding in this matter.

### **Playground Equipment and Scooters/Bikes**



We are very fortunate to have some fantastic equipment on our playground which the children enjoying using during the school day. This is a polite reminder that these must not be used before or after school by children. Staff will ask children to come off equipment, please do not be offended when this happens.

We love that the children come to school on bikes and scooters. Children should not ride their bikes or scooters whilst on the school grounds. It is a danger to others, especially if they are moving at speed! Staff will ask children to walk within the school grounds.

### **FORO Fireworks**

Friends of Red Oaks are holding a Firework display on 5<sup>th</sup> November - please book tickets via <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/friends-of-red-oaks/t-pgaxdyp>

## Class Attendance - Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September:

Registration Form	Present R/C: Marks	Auth. Absent R/C: Marks	Unauth. Absent R/C: Marks
Orange am	89.5%	9.3%	1.3%
Maple	95.6%	4.2%	0.3%
Palm	95.3%	3.9%	0.8%
Forest	95.4%	3.7%	0.9%
Pine	95.7%	3.2%	1.1%
Lime	96.8%	3.2%	0.0%
Beech	97.1%	2.9%	0.0%
Willow	96.9%	2.8%	0.3%
Pear	97.1%	2.6%	0.3%
Chestnut	97.2%	2.5%	0.3%
Oak	97.8%	2.2%	0.0%
Apple	97.5%	2.0%	0.6%
Cherry	97.6%	1.6%	0.8%
Ash	98.2%	1.2%	0.6%
Birch	98.7%	1.1%	0.3%
Hazel	99.4%	0.6%	0.0%
Orange pm	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%

### Pupil Premium

If you haven't already done so, please can you make an application to see if you receive Pupil Premium.

The Pupil Premium is additional funding provided by the government to help schools improve educational outcomes for disadvantaged pupils. This funding is allocated based on the number of pupils who are eligible for free school meals, have been in care, or have parents in the armed forces. At Red Oaks, we are dedicated to using this funding effectively to close the attainment gap between disadvantaged pupils and their peers to apply please visit

[https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20032/schools\\_and\\_education/408/free\\_school\\_meals](https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20032/schools_and_education/408/free_school_meals)

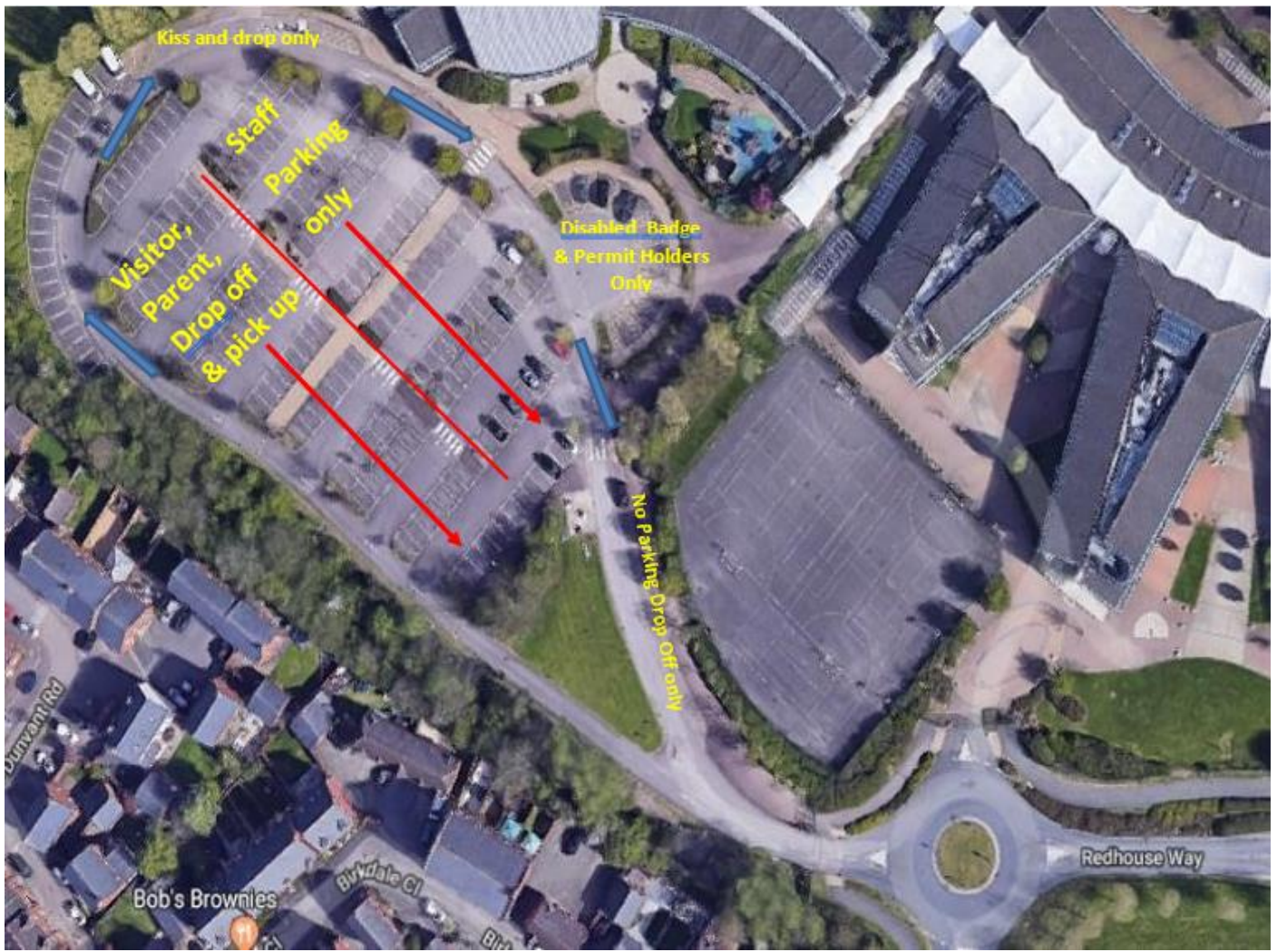
If you require assistance in making an application please contact the school office or Mr Lee on [office@redoaks.org.uk](mailto:office@redoaks.org.uk)



### Car Park

We know that the car park is always very busy at drop off and pick up times. We run a 'Kiss and Drop' service in the layby at the top end of the car park. Please always park considerately and do not block other cars. We ask politely that **ONLY** vehicles with disabled badges park in the disabled bays as we have children and parents with genuine need. Just as a clarification to new parents and a reminder to our existing parents - visitor/parent parking is **ONLY** as you drive into the carpark on the right-hand side before the barriers - any parking after the Kiss & Drop area is for staff only. Cars will not be permitted to park or stop outside a marked bay. Pick up and drop off areas eg. Kiss and Drop and the Coach bay are specifically for that, they are not waiting spaces. Please see picture overleaf.

The visitor and parent pick up/drop off section has in excess of 100 spaces and should be more than sufficient to remove the need to stop anywhere else. We are a community school and the majority of our pupils are from within a 1-mile radius of the schools. The schools are served by good walking/footpath links and we would actively encourage you to consider if there is a need to drive at all. Your help and support are much appreciated, this is for the safety and wellbeing of your children.



**School Lunches**

Sodexo have requested that **ALL** meals are ordered for the week by **THURSDAY** evening on ParentPay. This includes children receiving Universal Free School Meals (Rec-Year 2) and Free School Meals. **If meals are not ordered in advance, you will receive a text to bring your child in a packed lunch.**



We politely request that no nuts are brought into school in lunch boxes as we do have children with severe allergies that can be life threatening. This includes peanut butter which we **do not** allow in sandwiches. This also includes Nutella. As we promote healthy eating, please also do not send sweets in lunchboxes. Thank



you for your help.

**Upcoming Dates**

7<sup>th</sup> October - Individual and Sibling (in school) photos

9<sup>th</sup> October - PJ & Popcorn Night - details to follow



# Denmark Road High School

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## OPEN EVENTS

**Open Mornings**  
 Monday 7th and  
 Tuesday 8th October  
 8.45-10.30am  
 Headteacher Welcome  
 Talk at 9am

**Open Evening**  
 Tuesday 8th October  
 5-8pm  
 Headteacher Welcome  
 Talks at 5.15pm and  
 6.30pm

Join us for the Denmark Road experience. No booking required.

Denmark Road High School, Gloucester, GL1 3JN

APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE - ENTRY 2025

## Attention - all parents

If your child is born between **1st September 2020 – 31st August 2021** they are due to start **Reception in September 2025.**

If your child is currently in **Year 6** – you need to apply for a **Secondary School place for September 2025.**

### School Admissions Drop in sessions

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October  
Town Centre Library  
10am-2pm

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December  
North Swindon Library  
10:30am-1:30pm

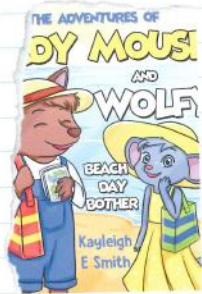
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January  
Town Centre Library  
10am-2pm

"I will make lots of friends at school!"

Tel: 01793 445500 Email: schooladmissions@swindon.gov.uk

## BOOK LAUNCH PARTY

28th September 14:00-16:00  
 RED HOUSE COMMUNITY  
 CENTRE  
 SWINDON SN25 2NJ



KAYLEIGH E SMITH

@LADYMOUSE\_WOLFY\_ADVENTURES  
 @KAYLEIGH.BETH5

## Premier Education HOLIDAY CAMPS

**OCTOBER HALF-TERM**

**£24.53 PER DAY**

Mix it up this October half-term with our multi-activity holiday camps!

They are a perfect blend of activities, combining different sports with a variety of team games.

Every day is different, with a mix of fun activities. From archery to fencing, dodgeball to cricket & much more!

Book now for a half-term full of fun!

**PLEASE BRING** lunch, water bottle, suitable clothing & loads of energy!

**WE ACCEPT CHILDCARE VOUCHERS**

**HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY**

**KEMBREY PARK, SN3 2PT**  
 08:45 - 16:15  
**MONDAY TO FRIDAY**  
 From 24th October

Trustpilot

For enquires email: [Wendy.aturner@premier-education.com](mailto:Wendy.aturner@premier-education.com) Premier Education Swindon

**SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY TODAY**

£1 per week

Weekly cash prizes

£25,000 jackpot

**YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY**

**How it works...**

It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to Red Oaks Primary School.

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online by direct debit or debit card.

It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to Red Oaks Primary School

**Splitting the £1.00**

- 40p goes to our school
- 36p goes to cash prizes
- 20p goes to admin costs
- 4p goes to VAT

**The Maths...** 100 tickets sold a week means  
= £30 weekly cash prize  
= £2,080 a year for our school

**Buy A Ticket**

GambleAware 18+

**Friends of Red Oaks**

*Fireworks Night*

**Tues 5th November 2024**  
**Gates open 5.30pm**  
**Display starts 6.30pm**

**Bag 2 School**

**Bag 2 School will be collecting from Red Oaks Primary School, Redhouse Way on Friday 8th November 2024**

Please leave donations under the umbrella outside the office before 10am on collection day.

Items you can donate:

Clothes, paired shoes, handbags, hats, bags, scarves and ties, bras, jewellery, socks, belts, soft toys and household linen/curtains/towels/bedding

**Friends of Red Oaks**