

The Richmond School Newsletter

November 2021

For your information, as from today, we are following union advice and returning to the 'bubble system' within school. The start and end times of the day will remain the same. We respectfully ask that parents wear a face covering when on the school site. From tomorrow, no parents or external agencies will be allowed into the school building, except to visit the school office. All clubs will be cancelled for the rest of this term.

THANK YOU

Thank you for supporting Children In Need. A total of £273 was raised for this good cause.



Thank you to those parents who attended Parents Evenings and are supporting their children to access the National Tutoring Programme. If you have any concerns about your child, please contact the class teacher in the first instance. Queries about the tutoring programme should be made to Mr B Liversidge, via ClassDojo.

CHRISTMAS 2021



Our Christmas Party Day this year is on Thursday 9 December. The children are allowed to wear party clothes and a party lunch will be provided. Please inform your child's class teacher if you prefer to send them a party lunch from home.

The children are busy practising their nativities. A decision is currently being made about how to share these with you in light of the rising Covid infections and the new variant as we will be unable to invite parents into school.

Christmas Jumper Day is on Friday 10 December. Children are allowed to wear a Christmas jumper instead of their school sweatshirt. All other school uniform should be worn.

The children will now break up for Christmas on Friday 17 December. This is a change to the previously published date.

UPDATES

Mr Porter has left school to focus on his businesses. We wish him every success. This means that Forest School is suspended for the time being until a replacement provider can be sourced, which it is our intention to do.

Mrs Kym Halliday has joined us as our new Clerical Assistant. I am sure you will make her feel very welcome.

All the children from Y1 - Y6 walked down to the beach for our Remembrance Day service. The children behaved impeccably and the service was very atmospheric. Our Y6 prefects represented the school at the annual Remembrance Day parade.



GENERAL REMINDERS

Now that the weather has turned colder please ensure that your child has a dark tracksuit and trainers in school as they will still be taking part in outdoor PE.



Please be aware that our school PE policy states that earrings should be removed for all PE lessons. This decision was taken after advice from PE experts who deem it is not safe for children to take part in PE wearing any kind of jewellery.

Please also remember that the only items of jewellery that children are allowed to wear in school generally are small stud earrings and a watch. The only exception to this is items of jewellery which are worn for religious reasons.

Boots, if worn, should be ankle height. This is to ensure that children are comfortable when seated on the carpet or in the hall.



Hair accessories must be small and black, brown or yellow please.

Apologies for all the reminders but we pride ourselves on how smart our children look when in school and when representing the school on visits.

PFA

The PFA are currently running their Advent Calendar Raffle.



Thank you to all the children who attended the Halloween Disco. A total of £1200 was raised for PFA funds.

Unfortunately the Christmas Fair will be unable to go ahead due to the recent guidance. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 10 December, giving people chance to buy more tickets. The PFA will be having a stall outside school selling 'Christmassy' items. Further information to follow.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 9 December	Christmas Party Day
Friday 10 December	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 17 December	Break up for Christmas
Tuesday 4 January	Return to School

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Head teacher

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