

Red Oaks Primary School
16th November 2022
Newsletter



Uniform

As the weather is now starting to turn colder, please make sure your child comes to school appropriately dressed and with a warm coat. Also please ensure that children have warm clothes for PE as this is often outside.

Children in Need



The BBC'S 'Great SPOTacular Appeal Night is Friday 18th November' this year and our dress-up theme at Red Oaks this year is pyjamas and onesies! Please make a suggested donation of £1.00 on ParentPay by this date and we look forward to seeing everyone in the PJs!



Please click this link to make a donation

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=8793>

Headlice



There have been some outbreaks of headlice in school and so we would like to ask **all** parents/carers to **regularly** check their child/children's hair and treat them appropriately, if necessary. Pupils with long hair are advised to keep it tied back in either a ponytail or plaits. There is further detailed advice on the following website: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits>. Many thanks.

COMPETITION TIME!



Road Safety Week will take place this week across the country (14th-20th November). The theme of this year's event is SAFE ROADS FOR ALL, promoting the fact that every life on our roads matters and streets need to be designed for people and traffic. 'Safe Roads for All' means safe roads, safe vehicles and safe speeds and we all have a responsibility to use them safely. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

We need some new posters for the area around our school, reminding people how important it is to stay safe on our roads. Can you design a Road Safety poster following the theme, 'Safe Roads for All'? As bright and colourful as possible please! Our Travel Ambassadors will decide on three winners whose posters will be displayed for all to enjoy!

Hand entries to your teacher by the 18th November and they will pass them onto Miss Griffiths. **GOOD LUCK!**

Power of Communication

A short video worth watching about the power of communication

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aISXCwOPi94>

Head Bumps:

We are going to trial an additional system with head bumps at school. If the children bump their heads while at school, you receive a letter to say this. However, we are very aware that sometimes these letters get lost at the bottom of books bags and are not always seen. Therefore, we would like to trial putting a red paper wrist band on the children to signify that they have had a head bump as well as sending home a letter. Hopefully, this will be noticed straight away at pick up and therefore you will be able to keep a close eye on them that evening. We are only going to trial this for 2 weeks starting on Monday 21st November. We are aware that the younger children may quite like getting a wrist band and so there may suddenly be more 'head bumps' than normal. If this is the case, we may go back to the drawing board. Please can you ensure you take off the paper wrist band once the children are home that day.

Girls' Football Club:

With the success of our Y6 girls' team last year we are keen to encourage as many girls to play football as possible. We are therefore hoping to start a girls' football club in January. There may be opportunities for us to arrange friendly matches against other schools throughout the year. While this football club is predominantly aimed at girls, we would also welcome anyone who is less confident to join this club too if they would like. If you have any further questions, please contact Mr Carter.

Young Carers:

Our Young Carers play an incredible role in the family and we are really proud to support these children. From November, we will meet termly as a group and three times a year we will meet with our Young Carer friends from Orchid Vale and Bridlewood for a social outing.

If you think your child undertakes the role of a Young Carer please read the leaflet attached from Swindon Carers and make a referral.

If you are in any doubt, please call the office and ask for me or contact me directly on clarkek@redoaks.org.uk

Young Photographer Competition

The competition is open to all. There are three age groups:

Junior: Up to & including 10 years old

Intermediate: 11 to 13 years old

Senior: 14 to 17 years old

Entrants must not be over the upper age parameter for each group on 31 August 2022.

Task

To produce one photograph based upon the theme, 'The Beauty of Architecture'. The photo must be submitted via **Digital Format** individually and to be at least 1500 pixel in size on the longest length. Mobile Phones may be used in addition to cameras.

To accompany the photograph, each entrant must provide a brief sentence describing the relationship of the photograph to the theme.

All entries must be emailed to office@redoaks.org.uk by Wednesday 30th November with the accompanying permission form. Permission slips can be found on Class Dojo or emailed from the office.

Important Notice: Please note that photographs and videos of people under 18 years old must be accompanied by written permission from the parent, guardian or carer of the person(s) photographed. Please attach individual Rotary GB&I 'Form B: Consent form for the use of photographs, film or video recordings of children or vulnerable adults'

Christmas Dinner Reception - Year 6

School Christmas dinner will be on Friday 9th December. Please see the menu below. Please book your child in for this meal in the normal way on ParentPay. Please note there is not an option for a jacket potato on this day.

If your child has any dietary requirements, please email tylerm@redoaks.org.uk with these. If your child wishes to have the Christmas dinner, please ensure you have booked for the dinner by Thursday 1st December

Menu Change

As we will be having the Christmas dinner on 9th December, the Wednesday menu will change to Fish Fingers or Pizza. Please amend your booking accordingly.

Upcoming Dates

14th November - Anti-bullying Week

18th November - Children in Need - PJ's

2nd December - Non Uniform Day - in exchange for bottles and chocolates

9th December - Christmas Dinner, Christmas Jumper Day

9th December - Friends of Red Oaks Christmas Fayre 3-5pm



Christmas Lunch Menu

Friday 9th December

Roast Turkey & Pork Sausage
or
Savoury Cheese Pinwheel

Served with
Gravy
Sage & Onion Stuffing ,
Roast Potatoes, Garden Peas & carrots

Dessert
Christmas Cookie

SEND Sharing Service

A specialist lending library from Swindon SEND Families Voice

for families in the Swindon area with children and young people who have any kind of Special Educational Needs or Disabilities, whether they have a diagnosis or not

Browse the catalogue... **ONLY £3 membership per year, per family. No borrowing costs.**

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*Some specialist items may be loaned for shorter periods of time. All policies and full details are on the SEND Sharing Service website (swindonsendsharingservice.lend-engine.com) All information is subject to change

Borrow items for up to 28 days*

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Go to the SEND Sharing Service website
- READ 2**
Read our lending policy and information pages
- BROWSE 3**
Look through the catalogue online or in person
- REGISTER 4**
Register to become a member by selecting the register button and filling out your details
- PAY 5**
Pay the £3 yearly membership fee by card securely online or cash in person
- RESERVE 6**
Once you find your chosen items click the green borrow/reserve button
- ARRANGE COLLECTION 7**
Chose when/where to collect your items
- CONFIRM 8**
Go to your shopping basket and click reserve items. You'll receive an email confirming the reservation.
- COLLECT 9**
Collect your items, enjoy, and return it by the due date

Contact us if you have any questions sendsharingservice.ssfv@outlook.com

Swindon SEND Families Voice
Call us on 07486 873405 or find us on Facebook: SwindonSENDSharingService www.swindonsendfamiliesvoice.org.uk

DONATIONS NEEDED...

We are looking for donations of CLEAN and GOOD CONDITION teddies/soft toys for our upcoming Christmas Fayre.



DONATIONS TO BE PLACED IN PLASTIC BAGS AND BROUGHT IN ON FRIDAY 2ND DECEMBER. PLEASE LEAVE OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

Friends of Red Oaks

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Gift Amnesty

Parents, staff and friends!

Can you help us raise funds for the school this year?

If you received any gifts at Christmas or on a birthday that aren't quite to your taste (or you got two of the same) we'd love any donations that can be used as prizes or at future events.

Where to drop them off

Please bring your donations to the office on 2nd December 2022

Thank you!
Friends of Red Oaks



Raffle prizes - We need your help!

Dear parents/carers,

Friends of Red Oaks will be holding a raffle at the Christmas Fayre and we are seeking the help of parents with some prizes.

Do you have a business that could provide a raffle prize or could your employer help with one? Or would you be willing to donate a prize yourself (for example a voucher for a local business)?

If you or your employer can help by donating a prize please email foro@redoaks.org.uk.

Many thanks

Friends of Red Oaks
Charity number 1120234

FRIENDS OF RED OAKS

Christmas Fayre

STALL HOLDERS WANTED

FRIDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2022

3-5pm

At Red Oaks Primary School,
Redhouse Way, Swindon,
SN25 2AN

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL
FORO@REDOAKS.ORG.UK



Friends of Red Oaks would love your

Christmas Clothing!

Lots of us have children's Christmas clothing (jumpers, hats, PJs etc) at home that won't fit this year. We'd love to find them happy new homes.

Bring in your unwanted children's Christmas clothing. We'll sell them at the Christmas Fayre so Red Oaks parents can buy for Christmas 2022.

Please drop off clean Christmas clothing on Friday 2nd December 2022.

Thank you!

