



Learning for Life

Olympic Value:
RESPECT

Right of the Week:
Article 28; You have the right to an education

September
Wed 13th, 6.30pm – Y6 Secondary transfer evening
Fri 15th - Rock Steady music workshops
Thurs 21st, 6.00pm - Year 5 residential visit meeting
Fri 22nd - Jeans for Genes day
Mon 25th - Individual photos
Thurs 28th - National poetry day
Fri 29th - Parent Panel, Open Friday, PTFA Disco

October
Thurs 5th - Haven House assembly
Fri 6th - School council elections
Tues 10th, 7pm - PTFA AGM
Wed 11th, 9.15am - 5K Class assembly
Thurs 12th - Haven House sponsored singing event
Wed 18th, 9.15am - 6LE class assembly
Thurs 19th – Parents' Evening
Fri 20th - INSET day

Half Term
Mon 23rd Oct – Fri 27th Oct

Next Governing Body 05.10.17

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NEWSLETTER

7th September 2017

Welcome back

We hope that you have all enjoyed a relaxing summer! We are all looking forward to the term ahead. We would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new children and families - we are looking forward to working with you.

E-mail communication

This week, a paper copy of this newsletter will be sent home with **all** pupils. We will also be sending the newsletter electronically to all of the email contacts we have. If you do not receive the email today but would like communication by email, please let the school office have your email address.

Dates

A list of dates for the term is also being sent home today. Please check on the weekly newsletter for any changes or new dates e.g. trips. The weekly class updates will also include any relevant dates for the year group.

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Meeting Wednesday 13th September, 6.30pm

We will be holding a meeting for Year 6 parents to discuss the process of applying for a secondary school place. Leaders from Woodbridge High School will also be presenting information about their school.

The deadline for the online application for secondary school places 2018 is October 31st 2017. Details can be found on the Redbridge website:

<https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/secondary-school-admissions/>

The Redbridge website also has details of all of the Secondary School open evenings in the Secondary Admissions Guidance 2018.

Year 5 Residential Meeting – Thursday 21st September, 6.00pm

There will be an initial information evening about the Year 5 residential to Maes y Lade on Thursday 21st September at 6.00pm. The visit will take place Sunday 22nd – Friday 27th April 2018, if you think that your child might be interested in going on the trip, please come to the meeting to find out more! A letter with more information will be sent home.

Swimming

Swimming lessons will resume next week. Your child will have been told when their swimming day is so please ensure that their kit is in school.

Clubs

Over the next few weeks we will be starting up the before school and after school sports clubs. Look out for the letters sent home for more information.

School Dinners and Free School Meals

The school dinner menu can be found on the parent section of the school website and continues from last term. Would you please ensure that your child's dinner money account is in credit at all times. The Universal Free School Meals do not continue into Year 3 so you will need to register and apply via www.redbridge.gov.uk if you think your child may be entitled to continue to receive free school meals. An information leaflet will be sent home tomorrow to all Year 3 children. If your child is in Years 4, 5 & 6 and your circumstances have changed you may be eligible for Free School Meals please do so via the Redbridge website. Please speak to Mrs Beacon (Parent Support Advisor) if you would like support with this application.

Attendance and Punctuality

We will continue to use the newsletter to inform you of the weekly attendance and punctuality figures for each class. We were really proud of the improved attendance and punctuality figures for 2016-17 and would like to thank all of the children and families for their support to achieve this success.

It is our policy that term-time holiday is unauthorised but in extremely exceptional circumstances, where evidence is provided, a limited amount of days may be authorised. Term-time holiday may be subject to a penalty fine and referrals may be made to the Educational Welfare Officer. The figure for 'Persistent Absenteeism' is now attendance below 90% and any pupil who has attendance below this figure, or poor punctuality, throughout the year will be discussed with our Educational Welfare Officer.

Punctuality is vital to a good start to the school day for pupils and we thank all of our families who ensure that the children arrive ready to start learning at 8.55am. Free-flow entry will continue to enable children to enter the classroom when they arrive between 8.45am and 8.55am. The gate opens at 8.30am but there is no staff supervision in the playground before 8.45am.

PTFA

You can contact the PTFA via the school office or email oakdalejuniorptfa@gmail.com
Please let the PTFA know if you are able to volunteer to help at any of our events.

Dates for the diary:

PTFA Disco (Y3&4 5pm - 6.30pm, Y5&6 7pm – 8.30pm)	Fri 29 th Sept
PTFA AGM	Tues 10 th Oct, 7pm
PTFA Big Breakfast	Fri 17 th Nov
PTFA Christmas Disco (Y3&4 5pm - 6.30pm, Y5&6 7pm – 8.30pm)	Fri 8 th Dec

Lost Property

If your child has lost a named item of property, please tell the school office and we will list it here in our weekly newsletter. Please check your children's items at home to see if they have accidentally picked up any lost property and if so, please return to the school office.

Advertisements

Advertise here for just £1 per week!

Please give the wording of the advert to the school office or email adminoj@redbridge.gov.uk by noon on Wednesday.

Bancroft RFC

TAG / Mini Free Taster Session

Sunday 17th September, 11am – 12pm

Under 6s to Under 12s

Contact Grant Mardle – Youth Chairman - 07983 363283

www.bancroftRFC.com email - info@bancroftRFC.com

Buckhurst Way, Buckhurst Hill, Essex, IG9 6JD

'Tennis for a Tenner'

Clayhall Park - 5 Weeks tennis Coaching for £10

Starting 9th September

Minis 5-11: 13:00 - 14:00 / Juniors 12-16: 14:00 - 15:00 / Adults: 15:00 - 16:00

To Book a place please visit www.playtennisredbridge.com or for more information please contact Jack Dowsett on 020 8498 1033 or e-mail jack@rslonline.co.uk

