

10th March 2023

Dear Parent/Carers,

Welcome to this week's principal newsletter. I would like to begin by thanking you for working with us to ensure the pupils came to school safely with the change of weather conditions. Please ensure you check the Arbor App or Facebook page regularly to ensure you see all communication from the school.

Staff News

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Sara Nimmo was successful at interview and will become our Assistant Principal after the Easter Holiday. She will still be teaching in year 6 for the majority of the time this academic year. I hope you will join me in congratulating Mrs Nimmo on her new appointment.

Flashback Friday

After running Flashback Friday for a trial period and after consultation with the parent council, parents and staff we have decided on how this will continue for the remainder of this academic year and in the future. These changes will begin immediately, therefore the next Flashback session for years 2-6 parents will be **Friday 31st March.**

Flashback Friday will continue in school with the pupils only and a PowerPoint will be sent out from Years 1-6 each week to inform you of the children's upcoming learning. In addition, **every last Friday of the term parents will be invited in at 3pm** to listen to what the children have learnt from the term and what the future topic will be the following term.

The following sessions for the year will be:

Summer 1 - Friday 26th May 3pm Years 2-6 only.

Summer 2 - Thursday 20th July Years 1-5 only; information for the pupil's new academic term/topic will be shared.

Year 6 Easter Holidays booster sessions

Year 6 teachers would like to run additional SAT booster sessions to the Year 6 pupils for 4 days during the Easter Holidays. Each session will run on Monday 3rd April, Tuesday 4th April, Wednesday 5th April and Thursday 6th April from 9am until 11am.

If you would like your child to attend please complete the following online form by Friday 24th March. <u>https://forms.office.com/e/rkb7uvbsh2</u>

RPS donating PE equipment

Mr Sargent has been sorting the school's PE equipment and due to a collection over the years we have managed to donate some of our equipment to the following; Kettering Basketball Team Manor School Pacesetters Wellingborough Rugby Club





Book fair

A huge thank you to everyone who attended our Book Fair last week. Our sales total was over £2000, meaning that we can now spend £1256 on new books for our library and classrooms. We really appreciate your support with this event and we look forward to holding another Fair next year.

World Book Day

We really enjoyed celebrating World Book Day last week. The children had the opportunity to explore their favourite books and authors during the day as well as designing and creating their classroom door entries. We were inspired by authors such as Philip Pullman, Cressida Cowell and Julia Donaldson to decorate our classroom doors; thank you to everyone that has voted on our Facebook page. It was great to see so many fantastic book themed costumes – especially Gangsta Granny!

Ambition Day

Ambition Day is coming up on Friday 24th March! We are asking the children to dress up as their ideal job. On the day pupils will complete career related activities including a jigsaw jobs competition. Please look at our Facebook page for future posts of the day.

Silhouette Youth Theatre

Many of your young people asked how they could join Silhouette. Here is a link from Leigh Wolmarans (Leader of Silhouette Youth Theatre) to their open day :

https://forms.office.com/e/HN0nxgJzYR

World Down Syndrome Day – 21st March 2023

We will be showing our support for World Down Syndrome Day by wearing odd socks on the 21st March. Ups'n'Downs is a support group with registered charity status, dedicated to helping families and individuals in Northamptonshire affected by Down's Syndrome. If you would like to make a donation please use the QR code below.

#LotsOfSocks - Put some colour on your feet!



Strike Action

Just as a reminder, as a school and trust we respect our teacher's decision to strike and we will continue to update you if your child's class will be affected. Currently, <u>the school will be unaffected</u> on the 15th and 16th March but again we will keep you up to date with this information should this change.

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Join our Team

The Trust has a live advert for an Operations Manager, please visit this page if you would like to find out more information.

https://accesspeople.accessacloud.com/NeneEducationTrustRecruitment/

RPS Social media pages

If you haven't done so already, please sign up to our school's social media pages.

Our Facebook page is Redwell Primary

Our Twitter feed is @RedwellPrimary

Important dates for this Spring term.

- FoRPS Selling Disco tickets Monday 13th, Tuesday 14th, Thursday 16th & Friday 17th March before and after school (located at the front and back of the school)
- Teacher Strike Day Wednesday 15th March At the stage the school is fully open
- Teacher Strike Day Thursday 16th March At the stage the school is fully open
- Red Nose Day Friday 17th March
- FoRPS selling Chocolate Raffle tickets Wk. commencing 20th March
- Rock your socks off Down Syndrome Day Tuesday 21st March More details to follow
- FoRPS School Disco Tuesday 21st March YR (5-6pm) & Y3 (6:15-7:15pm)
- FoRPS School Disco Wednesday 22nd March Y1 (5-6pm) & Y4 (6:15-7:15pm)
- FoRPS School Disco Thursday 23rd March Y2 (5-6pm) & Y5 (6:15-7:15pm)
- Ambition Day Friday 24th March More details to follow PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE
- NO COME & SEE DUE TO PARENTS EVENING
- Parents Evening Monday 27th March and Wednesday 29th March More details to follow
- Y4 Chester House Visit Thursday 30th March
- Year 2 Easter Event Thursday 30th March Year 2 parents will be invited to attend an assembly
- FoRPS Chocolate Raffle Draw & Prize Giving Thursday 30th March
- Whole school Author Visit Friday 31st March
- End of Spring 2 and parents invited to Flashback Friday (Years 2-6)- Friday 31st March
- Start of Summer 1 term Monday 17th April

Thank you for your support and if you have any questions or queries then please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>chead@redwellprimary.co.uk</u>

Yours sincerely

Mrs Claire Head Principal

