



Friday 9th October 2020

Welcome Back

It has been good to welcome pupils back this week as well as our colleagues from school passenger transport. We also welcomed two new STA's Cheryl and Tracy.



Updates

New arrangements and procedures have been put into place across school, these include creating a new bubble - turquoise. More classes are now eating lunch within the classroom, this will likely be until the end of term and will be reviewed for January. We have different entrances and exists for staff as well as pupils. Deep cleaning will continue on a Friday afternoon. Our procedures are continually under review, we are trying as much as possible for pupils and staff not to cross bubbles unless absolutely necessary. Unfortunately, the physical layout/building of the school does not permit this in its entirety, but we have done as much as possible to reduce this.



Harvest Festival

Classes have been working hard making their scarecrows and harvest boxes. We will be displaying all of these in the sunroom once they are complete.

Please remember to send in only donations of goods that MK food bank has requested by no later than Tuesday 15th October. Thank you for your support with this, especially at a time when even more families are reliant upon goods from the MK food bank.

We will unfortunately - due to Covid 19, not be able to hold our usual harvest festivals, nor indeed go to the orchard as we had planned. However, we are aiming to have a sing-along of our favourite harvest songs during the afternoon of Wednesday 21st October which will be streamed to all class groups.



Reminders

Swim kits -

Could I remind you all that it is important that you send in your son/daughter's swim kit, including swim pants each week. Without all correct equipment for swimming, unfortunately he/she will be unable to use the pool. Due to Covid we can no longer share swim kits.

Waterproofs, wellington boots and warm clothes -

As Autumn is now here please can you ensure that your son/daughter has a warm coat, hat and gloves as well as a set of waterproof trousers and wellington boots. It would also be appreciated if he/she could bring in a spare set of clothes each day. Please also ensure all clothes are named.

Announcements

Please ensure you are keeping a close eye on parentmail, the school website and our Facebook page for any updates/ announcements regarding closures etc. Please contact us on parents@theredway.net if you have any questions.

FLU VACCINE

There seems to have been an issue with the SIMS Parentmail communication about the Flu Vaccination Consent form. The Vaccination Team are no longer accepting paper copies and we have sent a link via Parentmail. To date very few parents have signed up. Please find attached the letter which has the link to give your consent for your child to have the flu vaccine.

The original date was to be Monday 12th October. However, I am negotiating with the vaccine people to arrange another date when the pupils can be vaccinated.

Please ensure that we have your up to date email address and that you are registered for SIMS Parentmail. The school is trying very hard to reduce paper use (especially at the present time) and we would encourage you to sign up so that you do not miss important information. Invitations are sent out regularly to those parents who have not yet signed up to this service. Again, please ensure that we have up to date email addresses for you.

Dates -

Friday 23rd October - School closes for pupils

Monday 2nd November - Staff training day

Tuesday 3rd November - School reopens for pupils



Transitions have invested in some extra space for their outside area. This will help with 1:1 working with individual pupils.



We raised a fantastic £226.29 for this great cause. Thank you to everyone who took part and donated.

Have a lovely weekend everyone
Ruth

