

Dear parent/carers,

Welcome back to the new school year at Redfield Educate Together! We are having a positive start to the new year and the children are all settled and enjoying their new classrooms and teachers.

To ensure the children have the best possible start, please take note of these important reminders:

Attendance and Punctuality:

- Success starts with showing up! Registers are taken promptly at 8:55am. Children arriving after this time may be marked absent for the morning session, missing valuable learning and causing disruption.
- Please ensure your child arrives on time every day to help them settle quickly and benefit fully from lessons.
- If your child is absent due to illness, please contact the school office each morning.
- For medical appointments during school hours, please inform the office in advance and provide evidence.

School Meals:

- We encourage children to choose school meals, which offer a varied and nutritious range of options.
- Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 children are entitled to free school meals, making this a convenient and healthy choice.

Healthy, Nut-Free Snacks and Packed Lunches:

- Children in KS2 (Years 3 – 6) can bring a healthy nut free snack to school for morning break times, (no chocolate or crisps allowed)
- If your child brings a packed lunch for midday, please ensure it is healthy and free from nuts and junk food. This supports our whole school commitment to promote healthy, balanced diets.

Clothing Guidelines:

- We are an all-weather school and embrace outdoor play in every season.

- Please ensure your child comes to school with appropriate clothing such as waterproof jackets, warm layers, wellington boots, sun hats, and spare clothes. This helps keep children comfortable and ready to learn, whatever the weather.
- Suitable shoes must be worn to school. No sliders, flip flops or heelys to be worn. This is to keep children safe from tripping down stairs etc. If children are wearing these shoes they will not be allowed on the climbing frame

Additional Items:

Toys and bags:

- Toys, Labubu keyrings, playing cards and bags do not need to be brought into school.
- Book bags with reading book and reading records and packed lunch box is all that is needed.

Phones

- Only children who walk home alone in year 5 or 6 can bring a mobile phone into school. This must be given to the teacher when they go into class and it will be locked away and returned at the end of the day
- Phones are not to be used on the playground or school site

Nails and jewellery

- False nails should not be worn to school for health and safety reasons and are not appropriate for school
- If children are wearing earrings, they need to be studs and not hoops, again this is due to the likelihood of them getting caught and ripped during playtimes/ PE lessons. The same applies to necklaces. Long necklaces should not be worn.

Class Dojo

- The new classes are currently being set up on for this academic year and information will be ready by the end of the week.
- Class Dojo will be our main method of communication this academic year so please ensure you speak to class teachers if you are having trouble logging in.
- Teachers will endeavour to respond to messages within 72 hours (working days) and will not respond during the evening or weekends

Communication/meeting with SLT

- If, following speaking with class teachers you require a meeting with a member of SLT, please email info@redfieldet.org.uk or visit the office and they will be able to book a meeting in for you.

Thank you for your partnership in making Redfield Educate Together a place where every child can thrive.

Regards

The Senior Leadership Team

Sarah, Scott and Lisa