



Oldfield Primary School Lockdown Newsletter www.oldfieldprimary.com



15th January 2021

Staff and Governors of Oldfield Primary School are committed to the safeguarding of children

Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you are all keeping well. It is much quieter in school without all the children but we are missing them and hope that they will return to school soon. We understand how difficult it is juggling home life with the remote learning but it is great to see how well the children (and staff) have adapted. Please do contact us if you are having any issues with accessing the lessons or work, and we will do our best to help where we can.

Medicines kept in school

If your child has any medication in school i.e. inhalers or epi-pens that you wish to collect, please e-mail the school office at office@oldfieldprimary.com with your request and we will arrange for it to be made available for collection from the school office.

Judy, Manuela and Lucy (the office amigos!)

the three amigos



CBBC have launched [Blue Peter on YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter).

Blue Peter is the longest running children's TV show in the world and they are uploading videos to it that are suitable for 5-11 year olds. There are world record breaking challenges, arts and crafts, environmental videos, cooking and baking how tos, inspirational films, gaming, celebrity appearances, dance routines and music performances. They also feature ways of getting a Blue Peter badge, behind the scenes footage and extra content about our incredible presenters Adam, Lindsey, Mwaksy, Richie and Henry the Blue Peter dog.



If you think your child would be interested in this, please subscribe to <https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter> - (it's obviously completely free to subscribe!) and don't forget to watch the live programme on CBBC at 5pm every week, or on BBC iPlayer.



School Days Direct

As of the 19th January, School Days Direct will be moving their store location to: -
20A Buckingham Avenue, Slough
SL1 4QA. Their contact details remain the same.



Internet safety

With children being online more than they might have been before, it is important to check your privacy settings and parental controls on all devices. Please make sure that you are overseeing what your child is doing and that they are behaving appropriately. More information can be found from the following website:



<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/news/2020/may/online-safety-during-coronavirus>

September 2021 School Admissions

RBWM would like to remind any Parents/Carers applying for a primary or junior school place for entry in September 2021, that the deadline is today, **Friday 15th January 2021**.

Early Risers

Just a reminder to Parents and Carers of children attending school that Early Risers breakfast club is still open from 7.55am.

You can book any sessions in the usual way through your Scopay account.



Designated Person for Safeguarding and Child Protection: Mr Richard Jarrett

Deputy Designated Personnel: Mrs Louise Greene and Miss Claire Howard

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ONLINE PL KICKS SESSIONS FACEBOOK LIVE FOOTBALL SESSIONS

Great news! Our PL Kicks coaches will be streaming a facebook live football Kicks session for all once a week. The sessions will be on the Reading FC Community Trust account.

When : The sessions will be on a Thursday at 4pm.

Where : You can do these sessions indoors or outdoors, all you need is roughly 4m x 4m space.

Age : 8 - 18 years old

Equipment : All you need is a football and 4 cones, cone alternatives could be - bottles, jumpers or shoes.



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FORM'S QR CODE BEFORE
THE SESSION

OR CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW TO
ACCESS THE CONSENT FORM

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Remote Learning

There are several additional online tools and resources for remote learning to choose from.



Below are some recommended ones. Oak National Academy has videos as well as interactive lessons available for reception students up to year 11. These are ideal to support remote learning. There are over 10,000 free lessons and resources available for both students and teachers.

Another website with many resources for primary and secondary pupils and teachers is BBC Bitesize. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize> Here you will find videos, lessons, quizzes, activities and more.

If you have children up to the ages of 5, Hungry Little Minds is another great resource to utilise.

Mental Health and Wellbeing

An important topic which is not mentioned enough, is the mental well being of students during this difficult time. There are many helpful resources online with advice for both students and their parents. Young Minds offers advice about the impact of coronavirus and self-isolation on mental well being and how they can help.

<https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help-for-parents/>



Young Money, supported by HSBC UK, has developed a new financial education programme, Money Heroes. The free programme is suitable for use at school or at home and is designed to help teachers and parents collaboratively support pupils aged 3-11 years to develop their financial capability skills.



A range of high-quality, online resources, tools, and guidance for parents and teachers ensures that pupils have the opportunity to develop their knowledge and skills across the core themes from the Young Money Primary Planning Framework.

Working together to develop financial capability

As pupils work their way through the various activities and develop their knowledge, progress can be tracked on the bespoke online platform so teachers and parents can see and share their development.

Resources have been designed for use at school or at home with clear guidance for parents included.

A set of resources, including KS1 and KS2 storybooks and games, will also bring learning to life in a fun and engaging way, along with the Money Heroes Podcast series and Parent Guide seeking to support and empower parents to introduce money talks at home.

To access free resources, please see: <https://moneyheroes.org.uk/>

Pupil Premium Eligibility

All children who currently qualify for free school meals based on their family circumstances are entitled to pupil premium. This applies if you are in receipt of certain benefits.

For example:

- Universal credit (provided you have a net income of £7400 or less)
- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance
- Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less.

For a full list of qualifying benefits, please see the attached **Free School Meal application form**.

If you believe that your child qualifies for free school meals it is important that you tell us BY WEDNESDAY 20th JANUARY – even if they're in Reception or KS1 and receive universal school meals for infant pupils, or are in KS2 and take a packed lunch – as this