



Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a happy, family time; it's been great to hear everyone's news. We have an exciting year ahead planned, with Redmile School making history...four classes!

I have been informed this holiday that the additional classroom we are waiting for, will be a **permanent one**; great news for our school! The planning application was submitted several weeks ago so we'll only have a couple more weeks to hear back. I will obviously keep you updated when I can.

Creating a partition in the hall has proved complex as companies won't install a temporary solution, only permanent fixtures. This has taken up much time over the holiday, but we have sourced a company who will work with the unusual design of our hall and are in the process of making a curtain, which will help to partition the room. This should be installed over a weekend, sometime soon.

**We've also just been notified that we have achieved GOLD in the Sports Games active Mark for our commitment to sports. Fantastic news!**

A special welcome to our new teacher Miss Blankley and to all our new Reception children and families. I hope you all have a happy and rewarding time here at our special school.

More exciting news...

**Our website has been updated and is now LIVE!! Please have a look and send a comment to the Guestbook.**

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### News from Classrooms

#### Class 1:

WOW, we are so impressed with how the reception children have settled into school this week! They are learning the routines in school as well as getting to know their new classroom and the adults around school. They have also been counting animals, listening to silly stories and making friends.

**Maths next week:** Counting to 10.

#### Class 2:

Class 2 have settled really well in the hall with all the extra space to do lots of exciting activities with Mrs Copeland. They have been starting their working on traditional tales and created a sensory story of Goldilocks with musical instruments. They have also been looking at the different characters in 'Trolls'. In maths they have been practising their number bonds to 10 and 20.

**Maths next week:** Place Value

#### Class 3:

In Class 3 they have been getting to know their new teacher, Miss Blankley, and getting used to the bigger tables! In English they have been enjoying their novel 'Chilly Billy' – make sure you keep an eye out for him in the fridge. In maths they have been doing the timetables conga!

**Maths next week:** Place Value

#### Class 4:

The class and teachers have been getting used to being called Class 4 this week! The children and Mr Cope have been very excited to start their work on the novel 'War Horse' and they have already created powerful writing and art work based on the sound track. They have also created amazing 'trailers' using iMovie's (on the Ipads) for the book too!

**Maths next week:** Place Value

Thank you for supporting the children with their homework projects this holiday.

#### Seesaw:

If you haven't already signed up to Seesaw (Y1 to Y6) please make sure you return the letter so that we can share your child's amazing learning with you at home. We have had such positive feedback from parents who are already signed up. Please ask the office for a permission letter if you haven't already got one. You will then receive your own personal QR code (quick response code) to access the app for your child's learning journey.

### Clubs:

Clubs will start again next week. Please complete and return the clubs letter sent home today to secure your child's place. Unfortunately telephone calls/emails will not suffice.

### **Early Morning Sports Club**

This is open to all children and continues to be part-funded, with a contribution of £1.00 per child per session required. *Please send payment into the school office on Mondays, with any cheques payable to Redmile Primary School.*

### **After School Clubs**

KSI after school sports club will only be open to children in Y1 and 2 at present, with Reception children invited later in the term. After school sports club continues to be fully funded by school.

### Woodland Adventures:

Children in Reception and Year 1 will be taking part in Woodland Adventures outside in the school grounds every Monday morning during the first half of the autumn term. Children may come in their outdoor clothes (wellies, waterproofs etc. – depending on the weather) and bring their school uniform in a bag to change into afterwards.

### School Dinners

All children in Reception to Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals. For children in Years 3 – 6 who wish to have school dinners the cost is £2.20 per day, with payment required on Mondays for the current week. If you would like to pay for the half term in advance the cost is £74.80 for Monday – Friday. Cheques should be made payable to Redmile LCC.

### Uniform Reminders

Please ensure children wear full school uniform, including polo shirts (not t-shirts) and sweatshirts with our school logo on. Thank you.

### Head Lice

**We have already had a case of head lice reported. Please check and treat your child's hair accordingly before we have an epidemic! Thank you.**

### Lost Item

On non-school uniform day last term, a Next navy sweatshirt age 12 went missing. Please could you check at home and return to school if found.

### Diary Dates

These will follow next week.

### Midday Supervisor

A re-advertisement has been sent out this week. Please do consider helping us as we are really struggling.

### Bus Arrangements

A letter will be sent home next week regarding arrangements for children who use the school bus. Please do look out for it. We endeavour to follow your instructions but sometimes messages don't get through in full to the right people and confusion occurs so we are looking to review this process.

Have a lovely weekend! See you on MONDAY!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J. V. Hopkins,  
Executive Head teacher