

Dear Parent/Carers,

We are approaching the first half term of 2023 and the children have had a busy half term.

### Number Day

On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, Redwell children completed different math's activities for Number Day in support of the NSPCC. Each year group completed different activities, from times tables games to crack the code worksheets. We had so much fun!



### Cancer Charity - Cancer Research & Niamh's Next Step

The year 6 girls have been running the name the elephant and raffle for the sweet jar charity events for the last 2 weeks. They have done an incredible job of fundraising and so far, raised **£111.60**, thank you to those who have contributed. Today we have had a mufti day to add to these funds and the proceeds are to be given to Cancer Research and Niamh's Next Step. We are very proud of the girls for an amazing event; the girls began with the initial idea, they then ran an assembly to the whole school (including creating their own PowerPoint), purchasing the prizes, advertising the event, running the stalls (Including coming into school early), counting the funds with Mrs Gayton and then drawing the winners and presenting to them in assembly.

### Children's Mental Health Week 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> February

The focus of Children's Mental Health Week this year is "Let's Connect!" We came together for an assembly and we have completed an activity each day that promotes connection. We have also enjoyed trying out the Place2Be Taskmaster activities which included creating rainbows and devising our own games as well as attempting to solve the treasure hunt clues.

### Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February, we had a Safer Internet Day with learning based around the theme '**Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online**'. Please see our Facebook page for updates. Read more about the theme of the day.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2023/parents-and-carers/about-safer-internet-day-2023>

### Friends of Redwell Primary School:

The Friends of Redwell Primary School (FoRPS) are in the process of organising another round of discos in Spring 2 for children in Year R – Year 5. The discos will take place on the dates below. The children in Year 6 will be having a special end of year prom to celebrate their time at Redwell in Summer 2. The Year 6s have been spoken to about this by their teachers and the Year 6 Prom Reps are currently working alongside FoRPS to organise the event.

**£2.50**  
Per Ticket  
Includes  
All Drinks

**FRIENDS OF REDWELL PRIMARY  
SCHOOL DISCOS**

**TUCK  
SHOP**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March**  
Reception 5.15 - 6.15. Yr3 6.30 - 7.30

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**  
Yr1 5.15 - 6.15. Yr4 6.30 - 7.30

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**  
Yr2 5.15 - 6.15. Yr5 6.30 - 7.30

Don't forget  
your named  
drink bottles &  
tuck shop  
money !!!

Tickets for sale at FORPS hut W/C 13<sup>th</sup> March  
8.30 – 9.15 & 3.15 – 4.00

### Personal items from home

Please can we ask ALL TOYS remain at home, if your child requires a fidget toy these will be provided by school.

### Pencil Cases

We have decided to limit the use of personal pencil cases to Years 5 & 6 only to support in the transition from Primary to Secondary school and children developing a level of independence. We have found pencil cases lower down the school have caused numerous issues and the teachers have requested that this is limited to Upper Key Stage 2 only (Years 5 & 6). Can we also ask that mechanical pencils are not brought into school as these have also caused issues.

### School Uniform

Please can we remind you of our uniform expectations, see attached document. It is **our expectation that all children must have full school uniform**, worn correctly, for daily attendance at school. We very much appreciate parents' support in ensuring that the children have the correct uniform and attend school smartly dressed. We regard this as a very important factor in the success of the school.

Our expectations are based on the belief that a school uniform is essential to the ethos of our school community as it establishes a clear sense of identity, fosters a sense of inclusive belonging, and engenders both positive behaviour and self-discipline, which in turn supports teaching and learning.

FORPs will be having a second-hand sale on the 10<sup>th</sup> March and at the parents evening events in March. If you require uniform before this date please contact the front office. Thank you for your support.

### Strike Action

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, the school will be unaffected on the 1<sup>st</sup> March but again we will keep you up to date with this information should this change.

**Toddler group** – Every Thursday pm in The Hub.

It is been great to see the number of visitors attending our toddler group increase, here are the details if you would like to attend.



**Wellitots**  
Carers and Toddlers Group

THURSDAY @ 1.30-3.15PM

Wellitots is a weekly, term time group for under 5s and their carers, for the whole community, at the Hub inside the grounds of Redwell Primary School car park.  
Cost: £1 a session per household

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### 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.

- **End of Spring 1** – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February
- **Start of Spring 2 term** – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February
- **Baby Dino Visit – EYFS** – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February
- **Teacher Strike Day** – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March – At the stage the school is fully open
- **Year 5/6 football tournament** - Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March TBC
- **Teacher Strike Day** – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March – At the stage the school is fully open
- **Teacher Strike Day** – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March – At the stage the school is fully open
- **Ambition Day** – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March – More details to follow
- **ForRPS selling Chocolate Raffle tickets** – Wk commencing 20<sup>th</sup> March
- **Rock your socks off - Down Syndrome Day** – Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March – More details to follow
- **ForRPS School Disco** - Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March - YR (5-6pm) & Y3 (6:15-7:15pm)
- **ForRPS School Disco** – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Y1 (5-6pm) & Y4 (6:15-7:15pm)
- **ForRPS School Disco** – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Y2 (5-6pm) & Y5 (6:15-7:15pm)
- **NO COME & SEE DUE TO PARENTS EVENING**
- **Parents evening** – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March – More details to follow
- **Y4 Chester House Visit** – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March
- **Year 2 Easter Event** – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March
- **ForRPS Chocolate Raffle Draw & Prize Giving** – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March
- **Whole school Author Visit** – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March
- **End of Spring 2** – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March
- **Start of Summer 1 term** – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April



Thank you for your support and if you have any questions or queries then please do not hesitate to contact me at [thead@redwellprimary.co.uk](mailto:thead@redwellprimary.co.uk)

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C Head', written over a light blue circular stamp.

Mrs Claire Head  
Principal

**Attachments:**

- School Uniform Expectation