

King's Oak Primary School

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Friday 13th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have welcomed representatives from the Local Authority to visit our Reception classes. I am delighted to say that they were really positive about the facilities and education on offer, giving us the maximum possible score in many of the areas assessed. They have asked us to host visitors from other local schools to share the excellent practice here which we are delighted to do. I would like to thank Mrs Manley and the entire reception team for their continued hard work and commitment to the children.

Jubilee celebrations:

On 26th May we will have a special day in school to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee this year. To make this a really special day, the children can come into school wearing red, white and blue. We will be having an extended lunchtime where the children will eat outside. Children in Years 3-6 will have a 'street party' and the children in Reception to Year 2 will have a picnic. Children in Nursery will have a special lunch in their area.

The school kitchen will be putting on a special lunch for this occasion. If your child is in Reception, Year 1, Year 2, or is eligible for free school meals then this will be provided free of charge. If you normally send your child in with a packed lunch, they can continue to do this on 26th May or you can opt to order them a school meal using the Relish online ordering system.

For further details on how to order this or any other school meals online, please see the link below:

https://www.kingsoakprimary.co.uk/parents/school-meals-and-milk

Farm Open Day 30th April 2022:

I would like to say a huge thank you to all the staff who supported the school to open on Saturday 30th April for the Farm Open Morning. It was a huge success with a very large number of people coming to see the school, meet some of the animals and enjoy the fantastic weather. I would like to say a particular thank you to Mrs Ross and Miss Lemar for supporting the organisation of this brilliant event.

To learn more about the farm and the school please visit our facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/KINGSOAKFARM/

Dates for your diary:

We have some exciting events coming up in school:

- 26th May Jubilee day children can come into school in red, white and blue clothing
- 30th June New Reception Parents afternoon this is an opportunity for new parents to visit the school to find our more about the school
- 5th July Transition day. Children will spend the morning in their new classes and meet their teachers for next year. After school, parents will have the opportunity to informally meet the new teachers between 3:30 and 5pm
- Thursday 21st July the last day of school for this term.
- Friday 22nd July this is now a non-school day. This is because of the Queen's Jubilee falling in the May half term and us needing to put an additional day in for this.

As always, if you would like to ask any questions or have any concerns, please contact the school office and a member of the team will discuss this with you.

Many thanks for your continued support

Rob Morley-Smith Headteacher

Breakfast and After School Club Vacancies:

We currently have vacancies for staff in our breakfast and after-school clubs. We are looking to expand our successful provision to be able to offer this to more parents. These valued staff support children before and after school, working from 7:30am until 9:00am each day for the breakfast club, and 3:00pm to 6:00pm for the after school club. If you think you would like to be more involved with the life of the school, this is a great opportunity. Previous experience of working with children, ideally in a similar setting would be desirable and full training and support will be given. If you are interested, we want to hear from you. Please see the details in the vacancies section of the school website from 19th April for more information.

No products containing nuts in school please:

Could we remind parents that we are a nut free school and that no products containing nuts should be sent in with children



Covid Vaccinations available in the local area for 5-11 year olds:

We have been asked by the Local Authority to share the following information with you regarding Covid Vaccinations:

"Please could you remind parents that if they wish to bring their 5 – 11 year old child for their COVID-19 vaccination they can either book on-line through the National Booking System <u>www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/</u> or by calling 119 between 8.00 and 20.00 every day? Availability is updated frequently so please advise them to check daily.

Alternatively they are welcome to walk-in to any of the centres listed on this page on the BLMK website - <u>www.blmkccg.nhs.uk/covid-19/parentguide/</u>

It would also be extremely helpful to guide parents towards this guidance around preparing your child for a vaccination.

<u>https://www.bps.org.uk/news-and-policy/supporting-children-their-feelings-about-needles-can-help-those-who-w</u> <u>ant-covid-19</u>. We know that some young children are very anxious about needles and we hope this will help them.

Assistance with transport

The free Vaxi Cabs service will also be available via the usual route for families who may be finding it difficult to travel to our vaccination centres.

Each local authority has full details on their website. <u>Bedford Borough</u>"