

Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Responsible,  
Enjoy Learning

# NEWSLETTER

Spring Term  
2025 - Vol 5  
WE: 20th March 26

## Sustainability Matters



### Sustainability & Comic Relief

Our school is supporting Comic Relief through activities linked to Red Nose Day. Students will take part in eco-friendly fundraising initiatives to help people facing poverty in the UK and around the world, while promoting sustainable choices in our school community.

# THANK YOU



**YES PLEASE**

Clothing  
Towels  
Sheets  
Curtains  
Shoes  
Sleeping bags

**NO THANKS**

Soiled rag  
Carpet  
Rugs  
Glass  
Metal  
Paper  
Rubbish

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Be kind, Be safe  
Be responsible



## LATEST NEWS...

### Fundraising

A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for your kind donations to Comic Relief for Red Nose Day. The children and staff had a fantastic time dressing in red, and your generosity will make a real difference to people facing hardship in the UK and around the world.

We would also like to send heartfelt thanks to everybody for their contributions to the other fundraising efforts, including the raffle, cake sale and penalty shoot out today, your generous donations and seeing the school community coming together for one of our own is truly inspiring.

### Science Week

Thank you to everyone who participated in the science fair. The children had a wonderful time exploring National Science Week. We would also like to thank all the parents and carers for their hard work and support in making science projects with the child

### Upcoming Events..

Please remember that parents' meetings are now available to book on MCAS. An announcement was sent out at the beginning of the week. Bookings will remain open until Sunday 22nd March at 10pm.

### Class Photos

Please check My Child at School to confirm your child's permission to participate. Contact the office if you have any issues.

### Easter Break

Just a reminder that we break up on 27th March and return on 13th April. We would like to thank you for a wonderful term - we've made many great memories at Richmond and enjoyed lots of fun activities along the way. We hope you have a fantastic break, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

## KEY NEWS:

### WINNERS

Well done to AP2 & LG5 for having the highest class attendance this week, keep up the effort of coming to school every day!

### Drop Zone

If you would like your child to attend our Dropzone wraparound care, please ensure you book at least 24 hours in advance on to the MCAS app and collect a contract from the office.

### ATTENDANCE

Being in school, on time, every day matters. For children to learn and thrive to reach their potential, they need to be in school. Our gates are open **daily from 8.35am - 8.45am**, please ensure your child enters the school between these times so that they can get to class on time and engage in the important start of day activities and learning. - Keep an eye out for the next Superhero visit too! Thank you.



# Dates for the diary...

PLEASE REMEMBER, WE ARE...



## March

WB 23<sup>rd</sup> - Parent/Teacher Consultations (to be booked on the MCAS app)

Fri 27<sup>th</sup> - Easter Raffle, Easter Hat Spectacular and Competition

\*\*\*\*\* Easter Break 30<sup>th</sup> March - 10<sup>th</sup> April \*\*\*\*\*

## April

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April - Children return to school

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>/Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> - Year 5 Kip on a ship trip.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> - Class Photos

## May

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> - Bank Holiday (school closed)

WB 11<sup>th</sup> - Year 6 SATs Week

WB 18<sup>th</sup> - History Week

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Challenge Day (Parents/Carers to come in to school 2-3pm)

## Reminders:



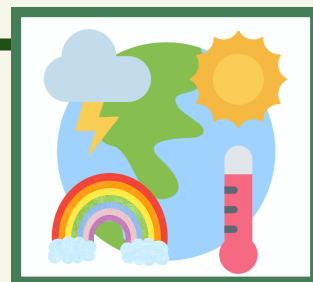
### **Easter Hat Spectacular!**

Remember to get creative and make amazing headwear ready for the parade on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March. It does not have to be a bonnet, it can be a cap, cowboy hat with Easter decorations or anything else that will impress - see what you can do with an Easter theme!



### **Easter Egg Raffle**

Our Easter Egg Raffle will be taking place on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March! We would be incredibly grateful for any donations of Easter eggs, please send your donations to the school office - every contribution is greatly appreciated!



### **Weather Changes**

As we look forward to the Easter break, we hope the weather will brighten and warm up! Please ensure your child comes to school with a hat and sun cream if required to keep them safe and comfortable during outdoor play and activities.

# Apply for Free School Meals



If your child is under 19 and in full time education, they may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also receiving Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you applied on or after 1 April 2018, your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Your child may also get free school meals if you get any of these benefits and your child is both:

- Younger than the compulsory age for starting school
- In full-time education

### Universal infant free school meals in England

Your child will be able to get free school meals if they are in a government-funded school and in:

- Reception class
- Year 1
- Year 2

If your child qualifies for free school meals, it is important that you tell their school, even if they take a packed lunch. This will allow the school to claim pupil funding for your child and allows them to provide your child with further support and opportunities.

We advise signing up for free school meals whilst your child is an infant. Even though they will be receiving a free school meal already, this could help your child's school to apply for extra money to help support your child.

### Early Education Funding

Children aged 9 months to 4 years old will be eligible for free school meals where the following applies:

- The child is a registered pupil of a state funded school
- The child attends an early education government funded early education funded place both before and after lunch
- The child's parents are in receipt of specified benefits and meet the criteria and have made an application for free school meals

### Free school meals for asylum seekers

Asylum seekers can apply for free school meals if they have a NASS Number.

Providing free school meals to families with no access to public funds

Children in households who are unable to claim public funds should be able to access free school meals (subject to maximum income limits). Please contact your school office to apply for free school meals under this scheme. The school will ask you to complete an application form, you can get help to fill the form in from the school office.



# Richmond Avenue Nursery

Enrol your child in our exceptional Nursery today!

Our enthusiastic and caring Nursery team is dedicated to providing a fun, nurturing and inspiring learning environment for children from 2 years of age. We support early learning through play, exploration and creativity—helping every child to grow in confidence and thrive!



Please contact the Nursery Team on

01702 292197 or email

[nursery@richmond.secat.co.uk](mailto:nursery@richmond.secat.co.uk) to book our

upcoming open sessions:

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 15:45-16:15

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 16:30-17:00

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 16:00-16:30

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 15:45-16:15





## **DROP ZONE BREAKFAST CLUB MENU**

Cereals, Milk  
Toast, Crumpets, Bagels, Butter, Jam  
Fruit  
Water

## **DROP ZONE AFTER SCHOOL CLUB MENU**

Wraps, Pitta Bread, Mini Bread Rolls, Bagels  
Toasted Sandwiches with fillings - Baked Beans,  
Cheese, Ham  
Make your own Pizza  
Baked Beans on Toast  
Sandwiches  
Ham, Cheese, Dairy Lea Cheese Triangles  
Cucumber, Peppers, Fruit  
Frubes, Raisins, Malt Loaves, Tea Cakes  
Water, Milk

**\*\*Gluten free bread, non-dairy spread, non-dairy milk available\*\***



Gluten



Milk



Egg



**WHEAT**



**DAIRY**



Soybean



# ClubsComplete

Action-packed childcare that promises parents peace of mind and children lots of fun!

**4-11 years**

**We are working in partnership with SECAT trust**

**Early Bird 10% Discount if you book before 13th March with code: SECAT10**

**CHALLENGES**

**EGG HUNTS**



**Week 1: Eggstravaganza  
30th, 31st March, 1st, 2nd April**

**Week 2: Challenge Your Limits  
7th, 8th, 9th, 10th April**

**COOKING & SCIENCE**



## EASTER HOLIDAY CLUBS

**SPORTS**



**EASTER CRAFTS**



**Any child from any school can join our easter clubs!**

**Half days available for 4 year olds**

TIMES	PRICES
8.30am-4.30pm	£37.50
9am-3.30pm	£34
8.30am-6pm	£43
Half Days	£17

**Hinguar Primary School & Nursery  
New Garrison Rd, Shoeburyness, Southend, Essex, SS3 9FE**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**01530412750  
07821288712**



**BOOK ONLINE**



**admin@clubscomplete.co.uk**

**www.clubscomplete.co.uk**



# WRAPAROUND CARE

Available for children Reception - Year 6



## BEFORE SCHOOL

Children will be offered a nutritious breakfast (including dairy alternatives) and taken to their classes ready for their school day.

Monday - Friday  
7:30am - 8:40am  
£6.00 per Child, per day

## AFTER SCHOOL

Children are escorted by their teachers at the end of the school day to a safe supervised space, providing enrichment, where they can build friendships. During the session, children will be offered a nutritious snack, for example a toastie or a pitta pizza. There are plenty of activities to keep everyone occupied, including crafting, puzzles, board games, small world playsets, quiet zones for homework and outdoor play.

Monday - Friday  
3:10pm - 6pm  
£12.50 per Child, per day

## INFORMATION

The club is there to help working parents and offer social interaction and varied experiences beyond the curriculum, focusing on fun and development.

Session can be booked on MCAS parents can also;  
email - [dropzone@richmond.secat.co.uk](mailto:dropzone@richmond.secat.co.uk)  
or call 07759720103 (During session times only)

## DID YOU KNOW?

Parents eligible for **Tax-Free Childcare** or **Universal Credit Childcare** will be able to use the support to help pay for wraparound care.

Childcare  
**Choices**



HM Government