



# Raysfield Primary

**Know myself. Respond to my world.**  
**Connect with my community.**

## OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, thank you to all of you who attended the Expectations Evening last Wednesday. We hope you found the information useful. If you were unable to attend, the information has all been shared on Class Dojo.

As we approach the end of term 1, it is important to take a pause and look back on all we have achieved in the short time we have been at school this academic year. The first thing to celebrate is our whole school Tiny House Project. This project has ignited our young people's interest in so many future careers: architects and grand designers, motivated mathematicians, young people who want to make a difference and change our world to be a better place – we have all been so impressed with our children's enthusiasm and engagement in the project. This week we are celebrating with a Virtual Ideal home exhibition. This will be posted on Dojo and our new Facebook page.

### PARENTS CONSULTATION EVENING

It is our Parent Consultation Evening next week. Unfortunately, there was a slight delay in the online booking system, due to a technical issue, but it will be **available from 6pm today.**

Parents' Evening will take place over the Teams platform to enable a face-to-face conversation. You will be emailed the link to the meeting. There will only be one link, which means we will all need to strictly adhere to the allocated time slots please.

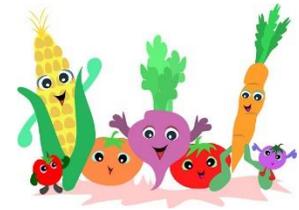


### MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October you were all sent a letter about how school photographs will operate safely this year. The most important change for you to note is you must register your child with the photographer **BEFORE the 15<sup>th</sup> October.** The only children who will have their photograph taken will be those who have pre-registered. Full school uniform to be worn, no PE kits. To register you need to click the link that was provided on the letter. All letters were emailed so please do check your inbox.

## Healthy Snack Time in Key Stage 1

Thank you for providing your children with snacks at break time. There is no need to continue to do this now as our normal fruit delivery service has resumed and we have lots of lovely fruit and sometimes vegetables to share during our break times.



### HARVEST FESTIVAL

Join us for a virtual festival on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. This will be a recorded event so you can enjoy every year group performance, celebrating harvest and the importance of giving thanks to the world. We will not be collecting donations this year, instead we are teaming up with the Friends of Raysfield PTA to support the Blonde Angel event on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October (please see Dojo for the details).

### COVID-19 UPDATE - POLITE REMINDER

We are now living the new normal, and whilst it continues to be a challenge for us all I am reassured by the measures we have taken as a school. These measures are to protect your children and our staff.

**What follows is a plea for you to help us keep safe at school...** Sadly, I have received several reports some parents are not using the one-way system and not social distancing. We cannot be held responsible for these actions, but we do ask that everyone does take personal responsibility for themselves and respects what we have encouraged you to do. We do not ask this because we want to be difficult or just to make a change, we ask you to do it because it is one way we can reduce the spread of the virus. In light of hearing more local schools have needed to close multi-bubbles due to positive cases and hearing the local rates rise on the news, it is imperative we all pull together to ensure we stay safe at Raysfield and keep open!

#### Our expectations have not changed:

**All children in year groups 3 to 6 use the one-way system.**

**Parents maintain social distancing when dropping off and picking up their children.**

**When social distancing is difficult (which it is) please wear a face mask /covering.**

**In addition to this, we would like to remind you that only ONE parent is permitted into the main school office at a time, if you need to visit in person. Please ensure you respect this request. We would ask, where you can, to either telephone or email the office. If you need to drop paperwork in, please either use the post box outside the main office, or the tray inside the main reception area.**

**Thank you all for playing your part in keeping our site safe.**



South Glos Parents & Carers

I would like to bring to your attention **South Glos Parents and Carers group**. It is a supportive community group who are fantastic at providing help to parents of children with additional needs. They have a community base, run supportive events and provide publications which are incredibly informative and supportive. If your child has additional needs and you would like to know more, please follow the link to join the group. <https://www.sglospc.org.uk/>

**Starting school in September 2021?** Please do ring the office to book an appointment to look around Raysfield. We are running several tours after school for those who wish to have a look around. The tours will be for a maximum of **5 people, 1 person per family, per tour.** **Ring 01454 866795 to book yours!**