



# Raysfield Primary

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



## MAY NEWSLETTER

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May

Dear Parents and Carers,

My last newsletter started with welcoming you back to the summer term and I'm hopeful I will soon be able to say, we are all enjoying the summer weather – it's almost here! So, despite the damp start, we continue to enjoy the buzz of school life at Raysfield and the sun is certainly shining within the classrooms ☺

**COVID UPDATE:** *Will our safety measures be changing in school, in response to national restrictions changing?*

In line with government guidance and advice from our own local authority, we will continue to review our measures regularly. Please be reassured we will always respond in a cautious way, with the safety of our pupils and staff being the upmost priority. To clarify, the table below describes what these measure will be in place after the half term break.

ENTRY AND EXIT OF THE SITE	For Key Stage 2 the entry and exit remains the same. For Early years and Key Stage 1 there will be some changes, please see additional letter (emailed to all parents) Swift entry and exit is still applicable, and appreciated.
FACE COVERINGS	Face coverings have been a part of our measures since the beginning of the pandemic. We decided to take this action because it is difficult to social distance on our site and we do not have staggered entry and exit times. <b>We will be keeping this safety measure and ask that you respect our wishes and continue to wear face coverings whilst on site.</b> The guidance stipulates that we (staff) should still continue to wear face coverings whilst we move around the building.
BUBBLES	The year group bubbles will remain in place for term 6.
HYGIENE	We will continue to ensure your children and our staff team observe good hygiene routines.
VENTILATION	With the nicer weather, increased ventilation will be much easier to achieve and maintain a good temperature for learning. Where possible, teachers will use our extensive outside space for their lessons.
LUNCHTIMES	We have decided to gradually introduce all the children to eating within the dining hall.

	Year R – Year 3 have already been eating in the hall. We believe this will be easy to facilitate, easy to clean between cohorts of children and provide a more positive dining experience for all our children. This will be a gradual introduction, starting with Year 4 in the first two weeks of Term 6, followed by Year 5 and finally Year 6 when they have returned from their residential trip. This new measure will be reviewed weekly.
CLEANING	Our high levels of cleaning will be maintained.
TESTING	The staff will continue with their twice weekly testing.

**COVID is still here and we will continue to be vigilant.**

Any child with the three main symptoms (*new and continuous cough, high temperature and loss/ change in taste and smell*) must self-isolate, until they have received a negative COVID test.

## STAFF UPDATE

In school we are busy making plans for our next academic year. There will be some changes to our staff team. At the end of this academic year we will be saying goodbye to Mr Gibbs, who is relocating. I'm sure you will join me in wishing Mr Gibbs all the best at his new school and thank him for all his contributions to Raysfield over the last couple of years. Mrs Phillips will also be temporarily leaving to have her second child, but this won't be until term 1. Mrs Sharp will continue to be a part of our team, but instead of being full time she will be working part time. Therefore we will be welcoming some new members to Team Raysfield in September: Miss Miles, Miss Harvey, Miss Fletcher and Miss Collins.

During Term 6 our teaching team will spend time on several transition tasks which will include some time for our children to meet with their new class teacher.

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

- MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE – This is an INSET day for Raysfield (no children in school)
- WEDNESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY – SPORTS DAY
- FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JULY – Children will meet their new teacher
- FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> JULY – Reports sent home to parents

The office has received several calls regarding different arrangements for children being collected at the end of the day. It is great to hear that some children are now having more opportunities to visit each others' houses. Can we please ask that pre-planned changes regarding who might be picking up your child is given to the office prior to lunch time, allowing us time to inform teaching staff. Many thanks.

*Our wonderful PTA are running a competition to design the front cover for the 'Rumble Tums' cookbook – be sure to get your entry in! For more information please see the poster on Dojo. Competition closes Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June.*

### Fundraising

A big thank you to Sarah Hitchings who has raised over £1,000 for the school through an Easter Hamper and special Raysfield Auction. This is a wonderful amount and will be used for the outside spaces for the benefit of all our children.



# Peopleton Brook Farm



## Summer club



10:00am to  
15:30pm

for individuals with learning  
difficulties

£40 Per  
Day

Choice of days

throughout the week!

26<sup>th</sup> July – 28<sup>th</sup> August 2021



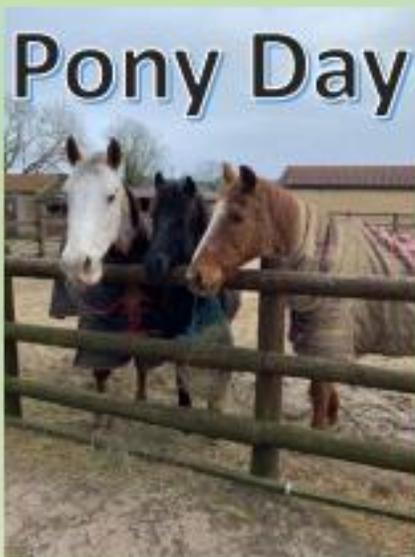
Peopleton Brook Farm is tucked away in the quiet village of Old Sodbury, caring for retired race horses and an array of other animals, such as Pigs, Sheep and Alpacas!

### Dog Day

### Sports Day



### Pony Day



### Arts and Crafts

If you are interested in learning more about the days we have available, or require any information, please contact Clarissa by email: [clarissapayne1990@hotmail.com](mailto:clarissapayne1990@hotmail.com), or by phone: 07985333922