



Redbridge Primary School



Information Booklet



Dear Families,

Welcome to our School!

On behalf of the staff and governors, I warmly welcome you and your child to Redbridge Primary School. We are a large, 4 form entry school situated in the London Borough of Redbridge.

Redbridge Primary school is a very happy and busy school- there is always so much going on! Our school motto is 'Dream Big, Work Hard, Be Kind'. We pride ourselves on being an inclusive school with a tight-knit, family feel. We place children firmly at the heart of everything we do and are always striving for improvement to ensure the best possible experience for all our children.

This booklet has been written for families of children who join Redbridge Primary School. It is our hope that this booklet will provide you with much of the information you need to help make a smooth and settled start at our school.



We are looking forward to welcoming you into our school.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Targett-Adams



Our School Values

Redbridge Primary School is proud to be a values-based school. A value is a principle that guides our thinking and our behaviour.

At Redbridge, every individual is valued for who they are and what they contribute to the school. Values are intended to support the personal, social and spiritual development of every child throughout the school. Our whole staff team, families and children are responsible for promoting the values and recognising where others are 'living the values



Attendance

It is our aim for every child to be in school every day. Of course, we know that this isn't always possible, so we set out some guidance on keeping school informed of absence. This helps us check that all children are safe.

Term Dates

Dates for academic terms are published on the school website.

<https://redbridgeprimary.redbridge.sch.uk>

Illness

If your child is too ill to attend school, please contact the school on the first and each subsequent day of absence on the school absence line before 8.45am. You can do this by telephoning 0208 551 7429. If your child is suffering with diarrhoea and/or vomiting, please allow 24 hours after this has ceased.

If you're unsure whether your children should attend, we suggest bringing them in and speaking with their class teacher or with the school office. We can always call home if they feel particularly unwell later in the day. Medical Appointments We always ask that you make routine appointments outside of school hours.

If this is not possible or it is a hospital appointment, please bring in the appointment letter or card to the school office so we can make a copy of this.



Home School Agreement

At Redbridge Primary School it is important that our families, children and staff, respecting each other's contributions, work together to achieve the highest possible levels of success for all children.

Why do we have a Home School Agreement?

- It acts as a reminder of commitments.
- It underpins the school's ethos and beliefs.
- It acts as a clear starting point for new children, families and the school staff.
- It provides a starting point for exploring difficulties.



Home School Communication

Clear lines of communication between home and school is really important. The school uses an application called **Weduc** for our main communication. You will also receive a weekly newsletter from the Head Teacher which covers whole school updates. The Early Years team will create a weekly newsletter to be shared with families which will include key messages and key dates.





SAFER Streets

We have introduced clean air zones, known as School Streets, around some Redbridge Schools as part of our plans to deliver a healthier, safer, greener and cleaner borough.

Redbridge School Streets aim to:

- Reduce air pollution around our schools, making the air children breathe cleaner.
- Protect children from the dangers of traffic at the school gate, preventing accidents and keeping children safe.
- Encourage families to walk and cycle to school, improving health and fitness.

The School Streets prohibition means that during term time, vehicular traffic (motorcycles, cars, vans, and lorries) will be prohibited from entering the following roads:

- College Gardens
- Highcliffe Gardens
- Grangeway Gardens

The times of the prohibition are between:

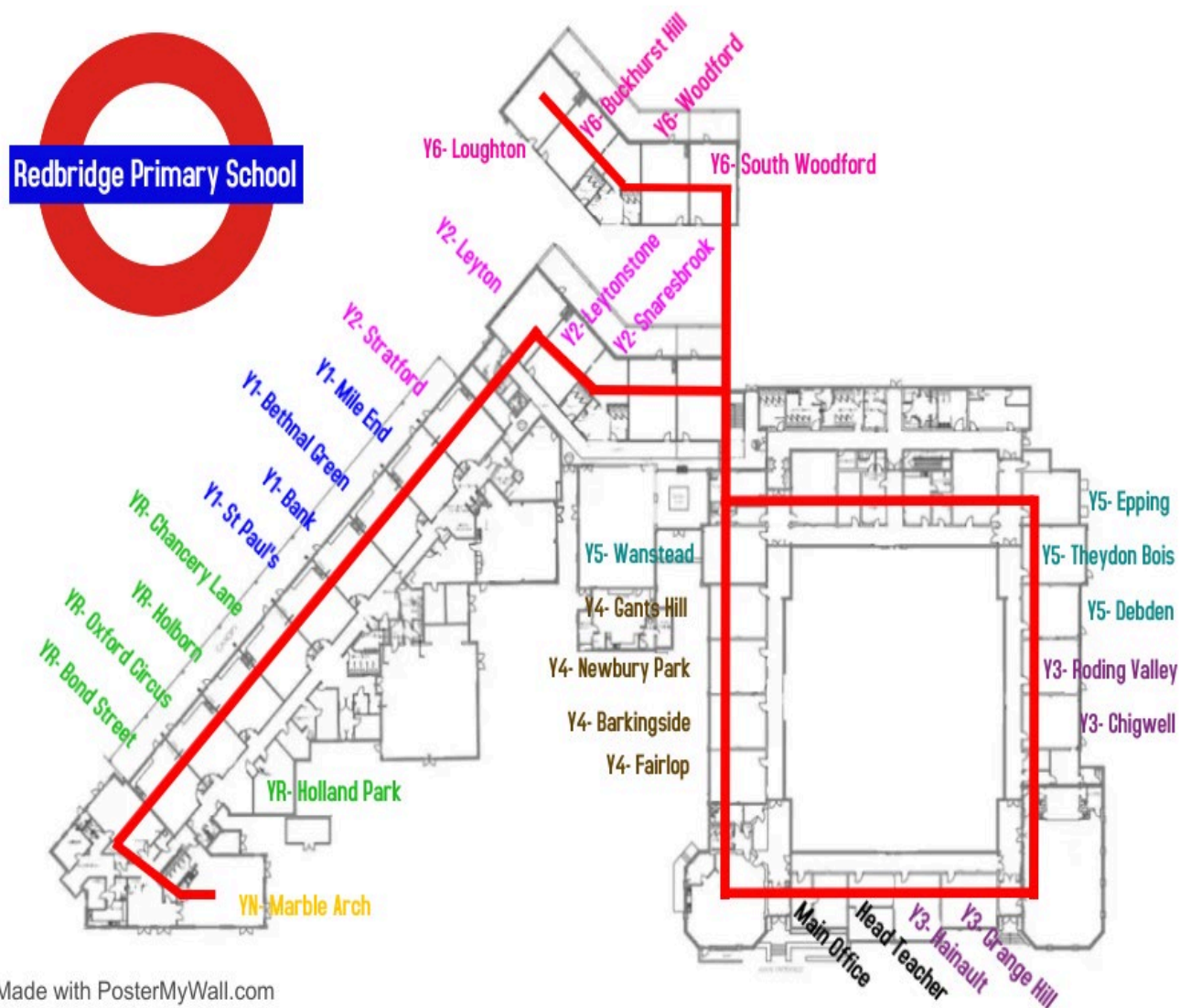
- Morning: 8.15am and 9:15am
- Afternoon: 2.30pm and 4pm





Our School Map

Redbridge Primary School is a large four form entry school, and every classroom is named after a tube station as we are situated so close to Redbridge underground station.



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Timing of the School Day

Nursery

Morning start time-8:40am- 11:40am:
Afternoon start time- 12:30pm-3:30pm
Full-time start time- 8:40am-3:30pm

EYFS and Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and 2)

Reception – Year 2
Start Time: 8:50am
Finish Time: 3:15pm

Key Stage 2 (Year 3 and 6)

Year 3 - Year 6
Start Time: 8:50am
Finish Time: 3:20pm

It is very important that children are on time. At the end of the day, EYFS and Key Stage 1 children should be collected from their classroom by an adult.

Key Stage 2 children are dismissed from the KS2 playground at their designated points.

Please let the school know if your child/children will be late or absent, or if a different person will be collecting them.



Enrichment

Our aim at Redbridge Primary School is to ensure that every child can take part in a range of inspiring and exciting opportunities during their time at school. We believe that education should extend beyond the classroom, we work with various organisations and other specialists who visit us in school.

Enrichment opportunities are carefully planned by teachers and leaders to:

- Bring children's learning to life in a new or different context
- Cover or revisit key knowledge and skills from across the National Curriculum
- Providing an inspiring or aspirational experience for children
- Develop children's confidence and self-esteem in a new environment.

Some of our current enrichment opportunities include:

- A farm visit for EYFS.
- A visit from theatre companies in KS1.
- Visits to the zoo, museums and galleries.
- Christmas performances for EYFS, Key Stage 1 and 2.
- Our Year 6 residential trips to Stubbers

Breakfast and Afterschool Club

Future stars childcare is the breakfast and afterschool club provider who offer a range of activities to participate in games and an opportunity to have a healthy breakfast with their peers. Breakfast and after-school club is independent from Redbridge Primary School. Therefore, related enquires should only be addressed via email or club staff directly and not the school.

Future Stars Childcare- Info@futurestarschildcare.co.uk
Telephone Number: 07400596334



Uniform

At Redbridge Primary School we believe that wearing the Redbridge uniform promotes a sense of belonging and pride as members of our Redbridge school community.

Our School Uniform List:

- Red Jumper – V neck jumper or cardigan (plain or with Redbridge logo)
- Grey or Black trousers/Black Joggers or shorts in the summer
- Grey skirt, pinafore
- Red and white checked summer dress or playsuit for summer
- White polo shirt (plain or with Redbridge logo)
- Black/ grey/white socks
- Plain black sensible shoes or plain black trainers that your child can fasten easily no open toed sandals or boots.
- Coat appropriate for the weather

PE Uniform List:

- Red T -shirt
- Black jogging bottoms or shorts
- Plain black trainers for outdoor PE and plimsoles for indoor PE
- Pe bag – please ensure all items are labelled

You may also purchase PE bags, book bags from the school uniform shop.



No jewellery is preferable – only studs or some religious jewellery is permitted.
We do offer preloved uniform so please speak to a member of staff if required.



Behaviour

Our whole-school approach to maintain high standards of behaviour that reflect the six values of the school (Resilience, Respect, Positivity, Honesty, Friendship and Kindness)

We ask children to follow our whole school 'Golden Rules' are as follows:

Pupils are expected to:

- We do our best in all our work
- Show respect to adults and each other
- We keep ourselves and others safe.
- We look after our school.
- Move quietly around the school
- In class, make it possible for all pupils to learn.

These are displayed around the school. Where appropriate and reasonable, adjustments may be made to routines within the curriculum to ensure all pupils can meet behavioural expectations in the curriculum.





Curriculum

Our broad and balanced curriculum seeks to develop knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary for life as a responsible 21st century citizen. Our curriculum provides opportunities for all pupils to learn and to achieve, irrespective of social background, culture, race, gender, differences in ability and needs.

At Redbridge, we are proud of our curriculum that incorporates the skills and content of the National Curriculum tailored specifically for our context and community. Through our curriculum we recognise children's prior learning, provide first hand learning experiences, allow the children to develop interpersonal skills, build resilience and become creative, critical thinkers, as well as to respect others and the environments in which they live.

We aspire for our children to develop as lifelong learners with a thirst for new experiences and knowledge.

SEND

Redbridge Primary School is committed to helping all children achieve their full learning potential. To support this goal, we offer additional resources and tailored assistance to pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). We do not operate a 1:1 model at this school and support is through a mixture of small group work, targeted intervention and differentiated planning.

If you believe your child may have additional learning needs, please contact Mr Chopra Evans, our SENCo, or Mr Josh Nash for EYFS.



Homework

At Redbridge Primary School we believe that education is a life-long process. A child's education does not cease when he /she leaves our school premises, learning at home is an essential part of good education.

Research on home learning's impact on student outcomes shows mixed results; however, we know that when home learning is successful, it's because the learning is fun, engaging, and easy for families to access. We also recognise and value the importance of family time and the many activities children enjoy outside of school. We appreciate that each family has a unique approach to home learning.

At Redbridge Primary School, we see the purpose of home learning as being to:

- Develop an effective partnership between school and parents for each child's education, as children achieve more when teachers and parents work together,
- Consolidate/reinforce skills and understanding, particularly in Literacy and Numeracy,
- Utilise resources for learning available at home,
- Extend school learning
- Develop confidence, independence and the self-discipline needed for personal study in preparation for secondary school and beyond,
- Provide opportunities for parents and children to work together to enjoy learning experiences.



School meals

At Redbridge Primary School we offer a selection of hot and cold meals. We cater for children who would like the non halal or halal option, the school does not serve beef or pork. Families can order via feeding hungry minds app.

Alternatively, your child may bring a healthy packed lunch.



Redbridge Primary School Packed Lunch Guidance



Lunch is a very important meal for children in school, packed lunches should be healthy and sustaining, providing children with energy enabling them to get the most out of their afternoon learning. For lots of easy-to prepare ideas that your children will love, as well as tips on what else to put in the lunchbox please visit

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

Lunches should include.

- A main dish- sandwich, wrap, bagel, rice or pasta
- Fruit or salad
- A little something else e.g Rice cakes, crackers, breadsticks, dried fruit, yoghurt, jelly, cheese cubes
- Water or natural fruit juice

No nuts, sweets or fizzy drinks please



Packed Lunch Treat Friday

Children may choose to bring **one** treat on a Friday



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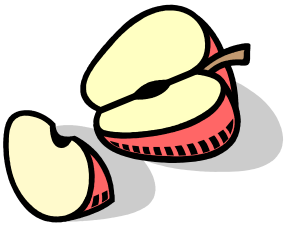
Monday-Thursday

Please support us by ensuring that there are none of the following unhealthy food items within your child's packed lunch:

- Crisps
- Biscuits
- Cold fast food eg. Pizza, chips, nuggets
- cakes



Healthy Snacks



Children in Nursery and Reception are provided with a piece of fruit each day alongside a carton of milk. Children in Years 3,4,5 and 6 may bring a snack, preferably fruit, to consume during their break time.

Nut Free School

Some children have severe allergies and if they come into contact with nuts or products that contain nuts they can suffer life threatening consequences. We have taken advice on this matter and as a result the school has adopted a **NO NUTS STRATEGY**. We ask parents **NOT TO SEND IN NUTS PRODUCTS** for children's packed lunch, snacks or for birthday treats.





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