



## Rakegate Primary School

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Headteacher: Mrs S L Horton

Dear Parents/Carers,

08.09.2021

Welcome back to the new term! Before we broke up for the summer holidays, we shared with you the arrangements for this term, if you require another copy of that letter, please visit the website or ask at the main office.

With this letter, I have outlined the dates for this year. Some may have to change, depending on the ever-changing Covid-19 situation. We will keep you informed of any changes using the communication channels below.

### Communication

Unless a letter requires signature consent, we will not send out any paper letters. All communication will be done through Marvellous Me, Facebook, Twitter and the school website. Please contact the office if you do not have a Marvellous Me code. If you wish to communicate with us, we would prefer you to do this via phone or email if possible rather than face to face meetings. If possible, we ask that you avoid cash payments and all payments are done: through Sims pay, over the phone by card or through card or contactless at the office.

If you have a question about your children's learning, teachers can be contacted directly via the year group email addresses:

[nursery@rakegateprimary.co.uk](mailto:nursery@rakegateprimary.co.uk)

[year2@rakegateprimary.co.uk](mailto:year2@rakegateprimary.co.uk)

[year5@rakegateprimary.co.uk](mailto:year5@rakegateprimary.co.uk)

[reception@rakegateprimary.co.uk](mailto:reception@rakegateprimary.co.uk)

[year3@rakegateprimary.co.uk](mailto:year3@rakegateprimary.co.uk)

[year6@rakegateprimary.co.uk](mailto:year6@rakegateprimary.co.uk)

[year1@rakegateprimary.co.uk](mailto:year1@rakegateprimary.co.uk)

[year4@rakegateprimary.co.uk](mailto:year4@rakegateprimary.co.uk)

Please inform school if any of your contact details change. It is vital that we have your current phone numbers, email addresses and emergency contact numbers so that we can contact you immediately if your child is unwell.

### Homework/Remote learning

In Reception, parents will receive a weekly newsletter which will include any homework tasks to complete with your child(ren) linked to their learning that week.

In Years 1-6, to support our journey of becoming a paperless school, all homework will be set and completed online. In Years 1-6 spelling homework will be set weekly on EdShed for children to practise. In Years 2-6 Classroom Secrets will be used to set a weekly English and mathematics homework task. For the Autumn term, Year 1 will be sending a maths and English task home to complete on paper (with the aim to go paperless in Spring term 2022). Your child's class teacher will setup your child's log-in details for both EdShed and Classroom Secrets and will send this information home accordingly. Furthermore, your child will have been shown in class how to access their homework.

To record your child's home reading, you child's class teacher will set your child's log-in details for the Go Read app which you can download on to your mobile devices. Children will bring home a reading book,

If you do not have a device or internet access at home for your child(ren) to access their online homework then please notify your class teacher by emailing the appropriate year group inbox - arrangements can be made to support your child with this.

If your child has to self-isolate then they will be able to access remote learning (if they are well enough to do so) through Google Classroom. Details on our remote learning offer are available on the school website and log-in details can be obtained by telephoning the school office.



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### Uniform

On PE days, children can come to school wearing their PE kits rather than uniform. (In Winter they may wear plain black, blue or grey jogging bottoms rather than black shorts)

PE days will be as follows:

Reception – Wednesday

Year 1 – Tuesday & Friday

Year 2 – Tuesday & Thursday

Year 3 – Thursday & Friday

Year 4 – Wednesday & Friday

Year 5 – Monday & Friday

Year 6 – Wednesday & Thursday

### Parent Consultations

For this term, we will hold our consultation sessions remotely using Sims, like we did in the Summer Term last year. We will send further information about this nearer the time. We are hoping to re-introduce family mornings from January 2022 and these will also be an opportunity for your child to share their learning with you through looking at their books.

### Sandwell Road entrance

At October half term, we are having an intercom system installed at the Sandwell Road pedestrian gate. This will enable you to access the school site during the school day from this entrance. Until then, we will continue to keep it locked between 9.00am and 2.55pm therefore if you need to come onto premises between these times, you will have to use the Rakegate Close entrance.

### Parking

We appreciate that parking is limited around the school entrances but in the interest of the health and safety of the children, we ask that you park safely and considerably, in accordance with the highway code.

### Children self-isolating due to a positive case

Please inform the school, if your child is self-isolating due to testing positive for Covid-19 or awaiting a PCR test result. We also ask that you email a copy of the positive PCR result to school. If your child is entitled to free school meals, we can provide a food hamper for you. Please contact the main office if you require one.

### Dates for your diary

02.09.2021 – INSET Day (school open for staff only)

03.09.2021 – Term starts for children

24.09.2021 – PDSA fund raising day – Dress up as an animal day

27.09.2021 – Year 4 Roman Fort visit

07.10.2021 – Photographer in school

08.10.2021 – Severn Trent Assemblies

13 & 14.10.2021 – Parents Consultations 3.30 – 6.00pm

15.10.2021 – INSET Day (school open for staff only)

22.10.2021 – Last day of term. (Non-uniform Day - £1.00 for school funds)

25.10.2021 – 29.10.2021 Half Term

01.11.2021 – Term Starts

12.11.2021 – Children in Need

22.11.2021 – Year 1 Phonic Checks

26.11.2021 – Fundraising for Ethiopian libraries



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10.12.2021 – Christmas Jumper Day £1.00 donation.  
Fluenz Nasal Spray – All year groups 9.00 – 12.00pm  
14.12.2021 – Carol Concert  
15.12.2021 – EYFS/KS1 Christmas Parties  
16.12.2021 – KS2 Christmas Parties  
17.12.2021 – Term End – Finish at 1.00pm (Non-uniform Day)  
04.01.2022 – Term Starts  
04-07.01.2022 - Year 6 Standon Bowers  
31.01.2022 – INSET Day (school open for staff only)  
07.02.2022 – Class Photographs  
18.02.2022 - Last day of term. (Non-uniform - £1.00 for school funds)  
21.02.2022 – 25.02.2022 Half Term  
28.02.2022 – Term Starts  
23 & 24.03.2022 – Parents Consultations 3.30 – 6.00pm  
08.04.2022 - Last day of term – Finish at 1.00pm (Non-uniform day)  
25.04.2022 – Term Starts  
09 – 12.05.2022 – Year 6 SATs week  
26.05.2022 - Last day of term. (Non-uniform day - £1.00 for school funds)  
27.05.2022 – INSET Day (school open for staff only)  
30.05.2022 – 03.06.2022 – Half Term  
06.06.2022 – Term Starts  
Year 1 Phonic checks (2 weeks)  
Year 4 Multiplication Tables Checks (3 weeks)  
04.07.2022 - INSET Day (school open for staff only)  
05.07.2022 – Reports Sent home  
06.07.2022 – Parent Consultation Evening  
21.07.2022 – Last day of term. Finish at 1.00pm (Non-uniform day)

Thank you for your continued support and as ever if you have any concerns please contact us. Let us hope this school year will be less eventful than the last one!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Horton  
Headteacher



