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Ryefield Admissions Consultation



The Governing Body is seeking feedback from local stakeholders regarding the **admissions policy for 2021/2022** which has been emailed to all parents, and posted on the school website. The seven week consultation period begins today.

An email has been sent prior to this newsletter containing an important set of documents which are being distributed to all local stakeholders. They detail the proposed changes in Pupil Admission Numbers (PAN) from 90

to 60. This will mean that Ryefield will make a permanent change to ensure that each year group remains at to two forms of entry across the whole school, with effect from September 2021. Further details can be found in the Parents section of the school website.

Furthermore the consultation is also regarding the following changes to the oversubscription admissions criteria: the inclusion of members of an updated second criterion:

New second criterion

- Children of staff in either or both of the following circumstances:
 - a) where the member of staff has been employed at Ryefield Primary School for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, and/or
 - b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

In addition parents were also sent the admission documents for both Secondary schools (Vyners and Ruislip High) within the VLT multi-academy trust, as they have adjusted their oversubscription criteria to include an additional category:

- *Children who attend a primary school within Vanguard Learning Trust, living within a 2 km distance of the school, based on the arrangements outlined in the distance criterion of the oversubscription admissions criteria.*

The governors would welcome feedback from stakeholders - information on how to provide feedback are to be found in the admissions policy and accompanying letter which were emailed yesterday to all parents.

VLT Choir Concert



Pupils from Ruislip High, Ryefield and Vyners congregated at All Saints Church on Monday to celebrate the advent of the Christmas period. Carols were sung and we enjoyed welcoming in the festive period.

Many of our pupils also sang and behaved impeccably at the annual Carol Concert in the Chimes, Uxbridge. We are very proud of our pupils community spirit and the 100% commitment they give to showcasing the wonderful work undertaken by the school.

Maternity leave

Last Friday we wished Mrs Dowsett a fond farewell as she left us to start her maternity leave. With her baby due in the next few weeks, Christmas will certainly be a busy time of year for the Dowsett family. Darwin will be taught by Mr Ford and over the past few weeks the children have already had several chances to be taught by him.

Christmas Jumper Day - no donation required

This Friday marks our traditional wear a Christmas Jumper to school day. **Please note that pupils are to wear normal school uniform - the only exception is a Christmas jumper rather than a school cardigan or jumper.**



Sports Update:



Club bookings - watch this space.

Are you eligible for Free School Meals and access to the Pupil Premium?

Visit: <https://myfreeschoolmeals.com/> to check for eligibility

Tuck Shop

We encourage all children in KS2 to bring in a healthy snack for morning playtime such as vegetables or fruit. Children in KS1 enjoy fruit at playtime and their parents have the option to purchase milk from Cool Milk. Children in KS2 have access to the Tuck Shop, where they can pick up a healthy snack for 50p.



Christmas Lunch

Please be advised that our school Christmas Dinner will be held on Wednesday 18th December 2019.

Please ensure your child's Christmas lunch is ordered on sQuid before Friday 13th December 2019.

ParentPay

You may have seen some posters around school advertising that we are moving our parent payment system over to ParentPay. We are hoping to send out registration letters by Thursday 12th December 2019.



Once you have set up your account you will be able to book your child's Spring Term after school clubs and book RASCALS places. When we return in January 2020 all meals will need to be ordered and paid for on ParentPay.

Parents who pay with childcare vouchers should also be able to make bookings for RASCALS via ParentPay, we will send more information directly to you as we receive it.



IMPORTANT DATES:

EYFS Nativity - Tuesday 10th December at 2:00pm & Wednesday 11th December 10:00am

KS2 Panto - Thursday 12th December (For children only)

NURSERY CLOSED FOR POLLING STATION - Thursday 12th December
Nursery will be closed all day

Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 13th December wear a Christmas Jumper to school instead of school jumper/cardigan. No donation required

FOR Christmas Shop for pupils - Friday 13th December

KS1 Carol Service - Monday 16 December Main Hall pm time 2.30pm

School Christmas Dinner - Wednesday 18th December 2019 - **Pre order on sQuid**

KS2 Carol Service - Wednesday 18 December, ALL SAINTS CHURCH 2.00pm

FOR Xmas Bazaar - Wednesday 18 December from 3:30pm

End of Term - Friday 20th December School finishes at 1.30pm **Infants**

School finishes at 1.35pm **Juniors**

SPRING TERM

INSET DAY Monday 6th January 2020 (SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS)

SCHOOL OPENS Tuesday 7th January 2020

Half Term - Monday 17th - Friday 21st February 2020

End of Term - Friday 3rd April 2020 School finishes at 1.30pm **Infants**

School finishes at 1.35pm **Juniors**

Term Starts - Monday 20th April 2020

Bank Holiday - Friday 8th May 2020

Half Term - Monday 25th - Friday 29th May 2020

End of Term - Friday 17th July 2020 School finishes at 1.30pm **Infants**

School finishes at 1.35pm **Juniors**