



NOTICES FOR ALL PARENTS

Week Ending 19th January 2024

Surrey County Council's consultation on the provision of primary school places in Reigate
The consultation **closes on 21 January 2024**. Please use your voice. You can read full details of the consultation and have your say via a dedicated webpage:
[Consultation on the provision of primary school places in Reigate.](#)

Safety Reminder

Please do not park on the yellow lines opposite the school.

New Eco Certificate

Thank you to all the children who submitted their fabulous designs for the new eco certificate. All the children who took part will receive their own certificate to recognise their thoughtful contributions.

If your child has taken part in any eco-friendly activities outside of school, we'd love to hear about it and recognise their efforts with our new certificate. We will also create a book of these eco-achievements which will be put in the library to inspire other children. Please email details of your child's eco-related activities to: eco.school@holmesdale.surrey.sch.uk

It is great to see that some families have been taking part in our litter-picker library. Please contact the office if you wish to borrow one.

R&Be Active - February Half Term Holiday Activities – from R & B Borough Council

Bookings are open for February half term holiday activities!

There are a range of low-cost activities for children aged 6 months - 13 years from indoor golf, lego and drama to dance, gymnastics and stone age skills, view the full timetable [here](#).

All activities are aimed at beginners and are a great opportunity for your child to try something different, make new friends and have fun over the holidays. There are also specific sessions for children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

If you are in receipt of benefits or have a looked after child you may be eligible for a 50% discount. Please see full details on their [website](#).

Warm Welcome Venues in Surrey – from SCC

Since SCC Warm Welcome venues opened their doors in November 2023, over 11,000 Surrey residents have attended sessions, getting a free hot drink, energy advice, winter essential items and much more. Many venues offer additional services such as free hot meals, debt and employment advice, as well as social activities. These include board game and arts and crafts sessions, cooking classes and in one case, a children's entertainer attends so children can run around after school while their parents relax and have an opportunity to speak to our volunteers.

With the current cold weather, residents are reminded that Warm Welcome venues are open to everyone this winter free of charge – no matter your age or situation. You can find a full list of Warm Welcomes on SCC website: [Warm Welcome Venues in Surrey - Surrey County Council \(surreycc.gov.uk\)](#).

NOTICES FOR NURSERY PARENTS

There are no Notices for Nursery Parents this week.

NOTICES FOR RECEPTION PARENTS

Maths Games

On Monday 22nd January games will be sent home on a fortnightly rota between the four classes. These games provide an enjoyable way of consolidating your child's learning whilst encouraging turn taking and fair play.

We have two sets of games to share between the 3 classes. This will give your child the opportunity to borrow games during a 2-week period approximately every 4 weeks. Children in **Foxes** and **Ducks** **will choose a game on Monday 22nd January** and may change their games on any day up to Wednesday 1st **February** (all to be returned on **Thursday 2nd February**). Games for **Rabbits** will be available between Monday 5th February and Wednesday 21st February (all returned on Thursday 22nd February).

When it is your child's turn for the games, they will be given a game on the Monday. You may keep the game for as long as you like (within the 2-week period) or swap it for another. Should you wish to swap the game, a box will be outside the classroom at drop off. Please return the game, cross off the game number next to your child's name on the class list and then enter the new game number that you have chosen to borrow.

Each game is packaged in a plastic folder and comes complete with the necessary playing pieces. We have explained to the children that these games must be treated carefully. However, accidents can happen. If any game gets damaged or lost, please send in £5 so that we can replace it.

If you mislay a playing piece, please try to replace it with a substitute from home. If this is not possible, send a note in with your child to let us know which piece is missing so that we can replace it before it goes home with another child. Likewise, please let us know if a game does come home with a playing piece missing.

Games can be made more or less challenging by adapting the playing rules, for example combining totals from 2 dice instead of one, doubling numbers etc.

We hope you will enjoy playing the games together at home.

NOTICES FOR YEAR ONE PARENTS

Victorian Day

This half term we are learning about what it would have been like to have lived in the Victorian period. We will be going back in time for the day on Wednesday 31st January and having a

Victorian school day. The children will be sitting in rows and taking part in activities such as drill and PT activities outside; learning poetry by heart; observational drawing, handwriting practice and arithmetic. If your child would like to dress up for the day, then please do! The teachers will be transforming into school masters and mistresses! Your child may like to wear trousers tucked into socks, a shirt, waistcoat and cap, or a dress / pinafore, skirt, plain top, apron, hat.



Leeds Castle Trip

Thank you very much to everyone who has volunteered to help with our visit to Leeds Castle. We really do appreciate your support. Your child's class teacher will let you know whether you will be accompanying us on the trip, as soon as possible. You will then hear from the school office regarding either keeping your DBS up to date or applying for one. Thank you!

NOTICES FOR YEAR TWO PARENTS

Reading books

A gentle reminder that reading books are expected back in school every Wednesday so new books can be sent home on Thursday.

Library books are changed in the class library slot on a Friday but can be brought back Wednesday if this is easier.

Dip and Do

A reminder that the Dip and Do home learning is due in on Monday 22nd January for children who have not already brought this back to school. Children will be sharing what they have done at home with the class in the next two weeks.

Pizza Making

As part of our current topic about 'Healthy Living' the children will be designing, making and evaluating their own healthy pizzas in the last week of this half term.

If your child has any specific allergies, please do speak with your child's class teacher so alternative ingredients can be arranged for them. They will be using a pizza base mix, tomato sauce, cheese and there will be a variety of topping ingredients to choose from when designing.



Ingredients

INGREDIENTS: Fortified British Wheat Flour (**Wheat** Flour, Calcium Carbonate, Iron, Niacin, Thiamin), Palm Oil, Yeast, Rapeseed Oil, Salt.



Ingredients

INGREDIENTS: Tomatoes (66%), Water, Tomato Purée (10%), Sugar, Onions, Salt, Modified Maize Starch, Acidity Regulator: Citric Acid; Garlic Purée, Basil, Rapeseed Oil, Oregano, Ground Black Pepper.



Ingredients

INGREDIENTS: Cheddar Cheese (Cows' Milk), Anti-Caking Agent: Potato Starch.

Gluten free pizza base



Ingredients

Maize Starch, Rice Flour, Sourdough 13% (Rice Flour, Water), Water, Potato Starch, Thickener: Hydroxypropyl Methyl Cellulose (E-464), Rice Starch, Maize Flour, Glucose Syrup, Yeast, Dextrose, Extra Virgin Olive Oil 1,6%, Sunflower Oil, Vegetable Fibre (Psyllium), Iodised Salt (Salt, Potassium Iodide), Ethyl Alcohol, **Soya** Protein, Raising Agents: Glucono-Delta-Lacton (E-575), Sodium Bicarbonate [E-500(i)], Acids: Tartaric Acid (E-334), Citric Acid (E-330)



Ingredients

INGREDIENTS:Water, Coconut Oil (21%), Modified Potato Starch, Maize Starch, Gluten free **Oat** Fibre, Modified Maize Starch, Thickeners:Carrageenan, Guar Gum: Salt, Yeast Extract, Tricalcium Citrate, Flavouring, Acidity Regulators:Lactic Acid, Sodium lactate: Colour:Carotenes.