



Weekly Newsletter

Dear Parents/carers,

I hope you all enjoyed the long weekend last week. As always, there are lots of important updates below.

Covid Testing – a reminder that we will be running on-site Covid testing on 4th January, the day before the students return to school. Please refer to the letter and privacy notice sent earlier in the week, and to provide consent, please complete [this form](#). Students are always able to collect lateral flow testing kits from reception.

Face Coverings – it continues to be a requirement that face coverings are worn by all who are not exempt while moving round school (and in shops/public transport). Please support us by ensuring the students have them with them every day.

Holiday Activities and Food – Redbridge inform us there have been some technical issues with the Holiday Activities and Food sign-up. They therefore require anyone who has signed up to repeat the form. Details are at the base of the letter, and any questions, please send direct to haf@redbridge.gov.uk.

Extra-curricular clubs timetable is attached with updates and new additions below. We are pleased to be able to offer Bengali classes on Wednesdays after school – any interested students should speak to their head of year.

Fostering For Redbridge – Please see below for information from the council about ‘Fostering for Redbridge’.

End of term arrangements – the menu for Christmas lunch is on the next page of the letter. Term will finish at 12.30 on Friday 17th December. We will share further details with the students next week.

Term start in January – a reminder that term starts for all students on 5th January 2022.

I would like to take this opportunity to ask you to speak to your children about safety outside of school – we have had reports from the police of increases in antisocial behaviour at night in the local area. Your support in discussing personal safety with the students would be much appreciated, particularly as the days get shorter. We will be focusing on this in assemblies and personal development next term.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kind regards,

Mr Mackintosh
Principal

Dear Parents/Carers, if you would like your child to have Christmas dinner, please ensure your child has enough money in their ParentPay account. Thank you.

HER FOSTERING ACHIEVEMENT



Christmas Menu

Wednesday 15th December 2021

Set Meal for £2.30p

Roast Turkey

or

Cheese & Onion Pastry (Vegetarian option)



All served with:

Roast Potatoes, Roasted Parsnips,
Sage & Onion Stuffing, Pigs in Blankets,
Brussel Sprouts, Carrots, Broccoli,
Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy



Dessert

Chocolate Sponge & Custard



Fostering For Redbridge - Make this Christmas the most memorable yet. Change a Life. Foster for Redbridge.

"I love watching the difference I can make to a child. I love watching them succeed in life and to know I have made a difference to their life". Sarah, 48 and Kazim, 54 Foster Carers for Redbridge

"The thing I love most about fostering is seeing the progress children and young people make during the time they are with us. From surviving to thriving. I also wish I was told what fun fostering is and the sense of community you feel when meeting with other foster carers for support, friendship and advice. You really aren't on your own." Tracy, 53 and Wayne, 52- Foster Carers for Redbridge

Like all of our Redbridge foster carers, you could quite literally change a child's life.

Please call us for more information or to book onto our next Virtual Coffee Morning or Information Evening 020 8708 6068 or email us fostering@redbridge.gov.uk. Alternatively visit our website for more information or to book onto our next virtual information event www.redbridge.gov.uk/fostering



TOGETHER FOSTERING ACHIEVEMENT

TFA Extra-Curricular Activities Timetable

DAY	MORNING	LUNCHTIME CLUBS	AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS
MON	Breakfast club at the canteen for all students.	<p>*Cooking Club for All Students, Room 72 by F Amponsah & Ms North.</p> <p>*D & T Club (Comic Club) for All Students, Room 73 by Mr M Cabezas-Montiel.</p>	<p>*PE: Football Club Year 8 by Mr Onienze (3pm to 4pm).</p> <p>*PE: Football Club for Year 9s by Mr Stafford (3pm to 4pm).</p> <p>*Drama Department (Showcase Rehearsals) for all students by Miss Price at Drama Studio.</p> <p>*KS3 homework club for All Students by Mr Bakkar, Inclusion room.</p> <p>*KS4 Supported Study club for All Students Room 12 by Mr Lanza.</p>
TUE	Breakfast club at the canteen for all students.	<p>*Cooking Club for All Students, Room 72 by F Amponsah & Ms North.</p> <p>*Italian club for KS4 Italian speakers who would like to take a GCSE in Italian by Mrs Dudley-Hart lunchtime in room 83 (1:35-2:00).</p> <p>*Textiles Club for KS3 students, Room 76 by Ms Islam.</p>	
WED	Breakfast club at the canteen for all students.	<p>*Cooking Club for All Students, Room 72 by F Amponsah & Ms North.</p> <p>*Music: Keyboard Club All Students, Room 2 by Miss Hornig.</p> <p>*Coding Club KS3 Students, Room 59 by Mr. Gonzales.</p>	<p>*PE: Football Club Year 7 by Mr Stafford (3pm to 4pm).</p> <p>*PE: Girls Football Club All Years by Miss Hewitt (3pm to 4pm).</p> <p>*Table Tennis Club for All Students. Location: Gym by Mr. Gonzales.</p> <p>*Drama Department (Showcase Rehearsals) for all students by Miss Price at Drama Studio.</p> <p>*KS3 homework club for All Students by Mr Bakkar, Inclusion room.</p> <p>*KS4 Supported Study club for All Students Room 12 by Mr Lanza.</p> <p>*Bengali conversation club for All Students by Mr. M. Ali (Bengali Teacher) in the Library.</p>

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THU

Breakfast club at the canteen for all students.

***Cooking Club** for All Students, Room 72 by F Amponsah & Ms North.

***Science Club**, Room 34 by Mr Ali. (3:15 to 4:15).

PE: Netball Club All Years by Miss O'Keefe (3pm to 4pm).

***PE: Boxercise Club** for Years 12 & 13 by Mr Latty (3pm to 4pm).

***PE: Football Club** All Years by Mr Stafford (3pm to 4pm).

***KS3 homework club** for All Students by Mr Bakkar, Inclusion room.

FRI

Breakfast club at the canteen for all students.

***Cooking Club** for All Students, Room 72 by F Amponsah & Ms North.

***D & T Club (Comic Club)** for All Students, Room 73 by Mr Cabezas-Montiel.

***PE: Staff Football** at 3pm to 4pm.

***Spanish club** for year 11 revision by Ms Catmur (Friday Week 2) in Room 82.

***French club** for year 11 revision by Ms Sohoraye (Friday Week 2) in Room 81.

***Drama Department (Drama intervention)** for Year 11 Drama students by Miss Price at Drama Studio (Week 1 only).

***KS3 homework club** for All Students by Mr Bakkar, Inclusion room.

***KS4 Supported Study club** for All Students Room 12 by Mr Lanza.



Holiday Activities and Food Programme – December 2021

What is the Holiday Activities and Food Programme?

Also known as HAF, this programme is being provided to enable eligible children to access the following during the school holidays:

- ✓ Daily physical activity
- ✓ Enriching activities
- ✓ Nutritional education

Children and young people who took part in the summer had a great time and made new friends too.

When is it?

Sessions will take place from 10.00am to 2.00pm, Monday 20 December to Thursday 23 December 2021. Once we've confirmed your place, you'll be able to turn up on all four days, but you don't have to. If you have other plans then you can just join in on one, two or three days instead.

Where is it?

Secondary age children will be able to attend one of the following sites:

- Caterham High School, Caterham Avenue, Clayhall, Ilford, IG5 0QW
- Oaks Park High School, 45-65 Oaks Lane, Ilford, IG2 7PQ
- If you live in Ilford and are unable to travel to Oaks Park or Caterham, we will also be running a transport service daily, to and from the front of Loxford School, Loxford Lane to the Oaks Park High School HAF.

We are also considering running online activities sessions for children who are unable to attend in person. If you are interested in these sessions, please indicate so on the application form and we will contact you with the relevant login details, if there is sufficient public interest.

Is my child eligible?

Your child will need to meet both of the following:

- ✓ Eligible for, and in receipt of, Free School Meals (not including those accessing universal entitlement for Free School Meals unless they also meet the eligibility criteria for FSM)
- ✓ Age 5-16 years

How do I book?

If you would like your child to take part, please register your interest no later than 5.00pm on Friday 10 December 2021 at <https://forms.office.com/r/zxM5YtLyyk>. Places are on a first come first served basis so please book as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

I completed a HAF request form in November 2021 but have not heard anything. What now?

We had significant issues with the HAF request form that was online in November 2021. Therefore, your application may have been lost. We sincerely apologise for the inconvenience caused by this but if you haven't already received a booking confirmation then we ask that you complete a further HAF application request. If you would like support in this matter or to check if your application was received, please email us at haf@redbridge.gov.uk.