



Messages from Redfield's Senior Leadership Team



Redfield Educate Together Primary Academy

October 11th 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are coming to the end of our first term back of 24/25. It has been a busy and successful term. Please remember that there is an **Inset day on Monday 4th November** and school will **start back on Tuesday 5th November**.

Next week we have our first sporting event of the year with Freya (our Sports Coach) taking a group of children to Packer's Field for a cross country event. After school clubs for Term 2 will also be released On Monday 21/10/24. We are working hard to find a Sports Provider to add capacity to our extra-curricular club offer. Thank you for your patience with this.

Term 2 WB 11/10-WB 9/12				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Dance KS2 Steph & Annia Small Hall		Choir (nativity) Y1 and 2 Hannah Shiner Small Hall Boardgames Club KS1 and KS2 Emma Jaguar Class	

Absence request forms:

Please can you ensure that absence request forms are completed, and any evidence needed e.g. medical appointment are communicated with the office. Forms can be found in the foyer by the main office. This will ensure that your child is given the correct codes on the register.

Child pick up:

If there is a change of person picking up your child after school, please ensure that this has been communicated to the office or class teacher via Class Dojo. It is imperative that this is completed for safeguarding purposes.

Punctuality – drop off & pick up:

We would like to remind you of the importance of punctuality at the start and end of the school day at Redfield Educate Together.

The school gates open at **8:45am** and close promptly at **8:55am**. We kindly request that parents and carers dropping off younger children at their classrooms do so promptly within this 10-minute window. This ensures a smooth start to the day for all our pupils.

Similarly, at the end of the school day, the gates open at **3:25pm** and close at **3:35pm**. We ask that all children are collected by the time the gates close. We understand that some children may become anxious if not collected on time, and we aim to avoid any unnecessary worry by encouraging parents and carers to arrive promptly at the end of the day.

Key upcoming dates:

21/10/24 – Extra curricular clubs for Term 2 live on Arbor

21/10/24 – Individual school photos

21/10/24 and 23/10/24 – Parents' Evening (Please book via Arbor)

24/10/24 – Update to Relationship and Behaviour policy 9:00-9:30am and 5:00-5:30pm

25/10/24 – Last day of term

4/11/24 – Inset Day (school closed)

5/11/24 – First day of Term 2 (children in school)

Dance Troupe:



IT'S BACK!

**DANCE TROUPE AUDITIONS
20 SPACES AVAILABLE**

WHEN? MONDAY 11TH NOVEMBER

WHERE? SMALL HALL

HOW LONG? 3:30PM - 4:00PM

WHAT DO I NEED TO PREPARE? NOTHING, COME ALONG AND ENJOY!

DO I NEED TO WEAR ANYTHING SPECIFIC? NO, JUST SOMETHING YOU CAN MOVE IN

WHERE DO I GET PICKED UP FROM? THE SCHOOL GATES



MUST BE AVAILABLE ON TUESDAY 29TH APRIL FOR EVENING COMPETITION

PARENTS/CARERS MUST BE AVAILABLE TO PICK UP CHILD AT BATH FORUM AFTER THE COMPETITION AT APPROX. 7:30PM



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We are an all Weather School We Embrace the Outdoors in Every Weather!

Why Outdoor Play Matters:

- Boosts physical health
- Sparks creativity and imagination
- Builds social skills and teamwork
- Connects children with nature

Essentials for All Weather:

- **Waterproof Jacket:** Stay dry during rain!
- **Warm Layers:** Keep cozy on chilly days.
- **Wellington Boots:** Perfect for wet weather.
- **Sun Hat:** Protect against UV rays on sunny days.
- **Gloves & Scarves:** Stay warm when it's cold.
- **Extra Socks:** Keep feet comfortable.

💡 Remember to Bring Spare Clothes!

Having a change of clothes means more fun and less worry.
Children can keep a spare pair of clothes, including socks and shoes in school.

** If you have spare waterproof coats or wellington boots that you would like to donate as school spares please drop hand them to the office - thank you!



What Parents & Educators Need to Know about HORROR FILMS & AGE RATINGS

The 'on-demand' availability of streaming platforms in many homes creates extra possibilities for young viewers to be exposed to age-inappropriate content. Material which features horror or violence can cause anxiety and nightmares for children, especially since it can be hard for young ones to grasp that what they're watching isn't real.

CLASSIFICATION BREAKDOWN

The British Board of Film Classification has the following age ratings:

U: Suitable for all ages

PG: For children aged 8 and above; this content shouldn't unsettle them

12A: Children under the age of 12 should not watch without an adult; this content potentially features bad language, nudity or sexual references

15: Suitable only for 15-year-olds and above

18: Exclusively for an adult audience, with potentially explicit themes of violence, nudity or sex

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

STREAMING IS EVERYWHERE

Modern mobile devices make it very easy for children to watch streamed films without the need for a TV. The availability of inappropriate content has risen significantly on streaming platforms, almost all of which host 18-rated content. If not restricted by parental controls, this could be viewed by children who aren't quite ready for such adult themes, concepts and imagery.

FACT VS. FICTION

Many children have no trouble separating fact from fiction. However, with modern day technology making pretend violence and horror look ever more realistic, it's becoming harder for youngsters to tell the difference. For instance, consider remakes of older films, where dated special effects (making it easy to discern that something wasn't real) have been replaced by far more convincing monsters and gore.

PEER PRESSURE

Friends encouraging each other to watch the latest film featuring violence or horror can lead to children consuming content that they're not ready for. As 18+ content is available on many streaming platforms, youngsters can watch these together – potentially without their parents' or carers' knowledge.

CHILDREN SCARE DIFFERENTLY

It can be difficult to decide what content is appropriate for children. What's fine for one child could be extremely frightening for another. As many children admit to not sharing or discussing the content they watch with their parents, encouraging an open dialogue around the kind of media that young people consume can help avoid exposing them to any inappropriate content.

PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACTS

Horror prides itself on its ability to startle or induce genuine fear in the viewer – so it's no surprise that this genre isn't usually intended for children. A natural side-effect of this is that 'jump scares' or a creepy, suspenseful atmosphere can have lasting effects on younger minds. The resulting anxiety can impact a child's sleeping patterns or eating habits.

Advice for Parents & Educators

WATCH THE FILM FIRST

If you're concerned that a film might be unsuitable for children (whether it's their first dive into the horror genre or a step up in age classification), then take a look for yourself. There's no better way to judge whether this content is something you'd deem appropriate for a child – and if a parent, for example, has actually seen the film (or at least a portion of it), they can construct a far more credible case if they decide it's inappropriate.

REMEMBER – IT'S NOT REAL

Emphasise to children that the content they're viewing is entirely fictional and has no chance of affecting them in real life. If a child is upset after watching a film, try to understand what exactly has unsettled them; this can help you approach the topic in a healthy and informative manner, to dispel any fears or anxieties they may have.

DISCUSS THE CONTENT OF FILMS

If a child has seen a film that you think may have exposed them to potentially uncomfortable themes and ideas, don't shy away from talking about it, and answer any questions they may have. This is especially important if they watched the film without an adult present. Ask them to summarise the story for you, as this will give you an understanding of what they've learned from watching it.

USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Most streaming platforms have the option to put age ranges on children's accounts. This means that films and shows that are inappropriate for children won't be advertised while they're browsing and won't even appear if a child specifically searches for them. This can be changed any time at parents' discretion, but it's wise to protect these settings with a password, so a child can't alter anything on their own.

Meet Our Expert

John Insley is an assistant principal at a secondary school. He has been involved with e-safety in schools for over 10 years, writing policies and supporting various schools in developing their e-safety provision. John has introduced a range of strategies at multiple schools aimed at helping parents to better support their child in the ever-changing digital world.



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The National College

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PLEASE TAKE
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE
ENERGY YOU BRING TO SCHOOL.

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Your words matter.
Your behaviours matter.
Our pupils, staff, parents/carers
and community matter.

TAKE A SLOW, DEEP BREATH AND
MAKE SURE YOUR ENERGY IS IN
CHECK BEFORE ENTERING
OUR SCHOOL SITE.