



## A message from Mrs Chambers

Dear Families,

### Exciting News:

We are pleased to announce that Katie Allen has begun her maternity leave. Baby is due very soon and we can't wait to meet them. We wish Katie all the very best for the new arrival.

Please contact Mrs Summers ([inclusion@lightyear.kent.sch.uk](mailto:inclusion@lightyear.kent.sch.uk)) if you would like to discuss any inclusion matters in Katie's absence.

We are also very excited to have appointed Talia Clark as a new TA to the school. Talia will be joining us very soon in Year 3 and is very excited to meet all of the children and families.

In addition, we are pleased to say that Mrs Taylor will be returning from her maternity leave to teach across the school from Wednesday to Friday after half term. She is looking forward to seeing all of the children again.

### School Uniform:

Please can we remind you that all children should please be wearing full school uniform on all days except their classes PE days. We greatly appreciate your help in maintaining our expectations for school uniform. Please do visit our 'One Stop Shop' in the school entrance area for second-hand school uniform.

**Do you need support buying school uniform?** Free online school uniform vouchers for Repton Manor Primary School students through Repton Community Trust (12.02.24-12-03.24, postage charges for the uniform may apply). Please email [maria.price@reptonct.uk](mailto:maria.price@reptonct.uk) for more information.

**School Uniform:** Red jumper or cardigan (Optional: with logo)

- White polo shirt
- Trousers: black/dark grey or School shorts: black/dark grey
- School skirt: black/dark grey
- Black shoes (No boots, trainers, opened toed sandals or heels higher than 2cm please)

### **Additional Items Needed:**

- Waterproof coat
- School book bag / small rucksack (will need to fit into a small locker)
- Water bottle
- Outdoor shoes / wellies (children may use their outdoor PE trainers)

### **School PE Kit:**

- House PE t-shirt (colour of house – optional: with logo)
- Shorts: black/navy or Track suit for winter outdoor lessons: black/navy
- Trainers for outdoor PE (these can also be used as outdoor playtime shoes)

Further details can be found here: <https://www.reptonmanorprimary.co.uk/our-parents/school-uniform/>

**REMINDER:** Years 4, 5 and 6 children are invited to join in the parents evening discussions on Wednesday (7<sup>th</sup> Feb). If you would like to bring them along.

**Jackie Chambers**  
**Head of School**



<p><b>Reception</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Bedtime story event - Will be held <b>Tuesday 6th February</b> at 16:30-17:30 in the reception classrooms</li> <li>❖ Please ensure your child has a PE kit in school from Week 2 of term 3 please. We'd be very grateful if you practice the skill of dressing and undressing independently in preparation for PE lessons.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Year 1</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ PE Monday's and Tuesday's</li> <li>❖ Dinosaur Workshop – Sign up closes 15<sup>th</sup> February</li> <li>❖ Next week, we are completing a Design Technology week and will be making our own British landmarks. If you have any junk modelling (such as kitchen rolls, cereal boxes, cardboard) or newspaper that you could donate to help us complete our learning, please bring it into school by Tuesday 6th February.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Year 2</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ PE days will be Tuesdays and Friday's</li> <li>❖ Kent Life Trip on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February</li> </ul>
<p><b>Year 3</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Please ensure your child reads at least 5 times a week and that you sign your child's reading record.</li> <li>❖ PE days: Wednesdays and Thursdays</li> <li>❖ Please practice the whole term's spellings in preparation for our termly spelling test at the end of this week.</li> <li>❖ We will be continuing to make our prehistoric landmark structures this week and continue to be grateful for any junk modelling you can spare for the children to use. Thank you for your continued support.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Year 4</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Please can all children be reading and parents ensuring that books are signed</li> <li>❖ PE Wednesday's and Friday's</li> </ul>
<p><b>Year 5</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ PE Monday's ONLY - this will be a double slot as we have our PE specialist and external specialists from Charlton Athletic coming in on this day.</li> <li>❖ Ready, steady cook schedule has now been sent out – Please do get in touch if you have any further questions</li> </ul>
<p><b>Year 6</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ PE Tuesday's and Friday's</li> <li>❖ TLM questionnaire – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February</li> <li>❖ Mrs Siddiqui is visiting our RE lesson to speak about Islam - Thursday 8th Feb</li> </ul>
<p><b>Whole school</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Valentines disco – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February (More details to follow)</li> <li>🔗 <b>Strictly no peanuts or peanut butter products in school please.</b></li> <li>🔗 Please be reminded that the front car park is for <b>badge holders only</b>.</li> <li>🔗 The school opens in the morning for children at <b>8.30am</b> and the gate closes at 8.45am. In the afternoon the gate will open at <b>15.15pm</b> for home-time (with the exception of extended care and clubs).</li> <li>🔗 Please allow 2 working days for email responses. Should your query be of an urgent nature please do call the office.</li> <li>🔗 Please ensure that you sign up for trips <i>before</i> the deadline.</li> <li>🔗 <b>ALL</b> medications must be bought <b>directly to the office</b>. We ask the children <b>do not</b> come into school with medications in their bag please ✕</li> </ul> <p><b>Useful contacts:</b>          For attendance and absences email: <a href="mailto:attendance@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk">attendance@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk</a></p>



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<b>Pastoral and Inclusion</b>	<p><b>Eat Well Spend Less returns</b> If you need extra support as a result of the cost of living crisis then come along to our Eat Well Spend Less roadshow on Saturday 3 February from 9:30am to 1pm at One You Shop, 25 Park Mall, Ashford TN24 8RY. Get expert advice on looking after yourself (and your bank balance) as well as guidance on additional support services that may be available to you. The event brings together a range of partner organisations including frontline NHS staff and Ashford Borough Council officers, outreach organisations and charities, in one easy-to-access place.</p> <p><b>Household Support Fund applications open</b> We have now launched the final part of our Household Support Fund scheme, which gives Ashford borough residents the opportunity to get financial assistance with the cost of energy. There is a clear set of criteria to be eligible for this support, which is available to view, along with the application form by visiting our dedicated web page below. The application window is open until 12pm on Wednesday 7 February 2024, or sooner if the available funding is committed before this time. The minimum amount of financial support for successful applicants will be £100.</p> <p><b>Energy efficiency upgrades</b> Did you know that a new grant scheme has been launched by the government to provide energy efficiency and clean heating upgrades to households in the Ashford borough? The grant will pay for improvements to your home that will help to use less energy, reduce your carbon footprint and spend less on energy bills. The scheme is funded by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ)</p> <p><b>Imago are offering 'Time Out Tuesdays' for Young Carers.</b> We offer fun and engaging virtual workshops for all our registered Young Carers aged 5-18yrs. The sessions are held on the first Tuesday of every month (4:30-5pm for our Primary Young Carers and 5:30-6pm for our Secondary). Each month is a different theme, topic or activity which usually consists of interactive games, quizzes, discussions, arts and crafts and more where Young Carers can 'meet' and engage with each other.</p> <p>As always please feel free to contact Miss Crook if you have any questions or would like to discuss support available for you or your family further. <a href="mailto:flo@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk">flo@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk</a></p>



# Week ahead:

## Repton Reminders for W/B 05.02.24



### Community

Let's All Dance! Ballet Company presents  
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# CRAFT & DAFT KLAN CRAFT FAIR

**SATURDAY 10TH FEBRUARY**

1:30-4:30

**REPTON COMMUNITY CENTRE**