



Dear Parents & Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome to all our new families. We are off to a great start this term with an exciting Science Fortnight filled with experiments and exploration!

## **Welcome**

Last term we welcomed some new staff to our team. Neneh Webb is our new Teacher and Keyworker, Charlie Symmons and Alice MacDonnell are our new Teaching Assistants, supporting learning in the school.

## **Lunches**

Our lunches are provided by Christ Church Primary School who employ their own chefs to source and cook seasonal food and choose the best quality suppliers. The meals are nutritionally balanced and provide children with a range of tasty and exciting meals. By eating a school dinner children try a range of foods that they would not necessarily eat at home. Lunch time is also a social occasion where children converse with their friends and teachers. The children also develop their cutlery skills and practise good table manners. Children sit in small groups with a particular member of staff and the meal is served at the table. Children are offered all the food and encouraged to try it but we never force a child to eat anything.

The lunch menu can be seen on the Christchurch website:

<https://www.chchelsea.rbkc.sch.uk/home.htm> or on their instagram feed.

If the information is not displayed please ask a member of staff or see the classroom parent board.

It is not possible for individual feedback to be given regarding each child's lunch everyday. If your child has not eaten anything or there are any concerns



regarding your child's eating or behaviour at lunch time your Keyworker will inform you and discuss the situation with you.

No news is good news!

## **Snacktime**

A snack is provided twice a day mid-morning and mid-afternoon. This consists of milk (provided by the school) and fruit / vegetables (provided by parents). Parents are asked to provide fruit and vegetables for snacks on a rota basis. A sign-up sheet is displayed in the classroom. Please ask a member of staff for more information. Please do not bring in grapes or cherry tomatoes as these can be choking hazards.

## **Please do not bring food into the Nursery. Coeliac disease.**

Once again I ask for the parent's support as we still have food being brought into nursery. The situation for one of our children is extremely serious and exposure to gluten has a direct and serious impact on her long term health. This is not an intolerance or preference, it is a serious and life limiting medical condition.

***Please help us to keep all of the children safe by not bringing any food onto the premises or storing any food in children's bags.***

## **Uniform**

At COA we have a range of clothing that can be purchased for children to wear at School- this is completely optional.

If you would like to purchase any COA uniform please speak to Anna in the office who will give you an order form.

## **Parent Helpers**

It is so wonderful having parents helping in the classroom, we really value those coming in and reading or playing maths games with the children. Please sign up in the classroom if you would like to come in.



## **Questions/Concerns**

If you have any questions or concerns about anything at COA please talk to your Keyworker.

## **Website & Social Media**

Please visit our new school website: <https://www.coans.rbkc.sch.uk/>

We would really appreciate your feedback regarding our website, please check it out and fill in the attached form as this will really help us to make it an informative and useful tool for parents. Please bring filled in forms to the office or give to your keyworker. Thank you!

We are on Facebook & Instagram so please follow us to see what we have been learning about and any special events.

If you like something you see please don't forget to like it and we would love it if you could share our pages!

Search:

Chelsea Open Air Nursery School on Facebook  
and chelsea\_open\_air\_nursery on Instagram.

## **What's going on this term?**

Please see the attached Learning Experiences & Diary Dates for information on what's happening this term.

Kind regards,

Alex & the COA Team