



Together we build

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Key

Pupils at School
Weekends
Teacher Training Days
Bank Holidays
Holiday

Don't forget to bring your refillable water bottle.



Weekly Newsletter

Spring Term 1

Issue 199

23rd January 2026

Curriculum Update

As a school, we continuously review the curriculum on offer to best meet the needs of our pupils. To this end, with the support of a local OfG setting, we are now able to offer a number of GCSEs alongside the Functional Skills qualifications, and we are working towards becoming an accredited exam centre ourselves.

As part of this extension of the accreditation offer, we have appointed a secondary math's lead, Ash Winnett and are currently onboarding a secondary English specialist, to work alongside Naomi Train our secondary science specialist. Together, this will enable us to offer an extended formal learning pathway for Key Stage 4 and 5 pupils. As we move towards putting specific plans in place we will link up with the parents of these pupils who it will apply to.

Fizzy drinks are not allowed in School.

Water and squash are available all day.

Hot drinks are also available, we ask students to bring their own travel mug with a lid if they would like a warm drink.

We are celebrating Burns night on Monday 26th January.

We have a piper coming in to School at lunchtime and there will be a traditional burns night supper of haggis, neeps and tatties for the students to try if they wish. The usual menu (spaghetti bolognaise) will also be available.





SNAPCHAT



What is Snapchat?

Snapchat is a popular messaging app used by many children and young people. It allows users to send photos, videos and messages ("snaps") that appear to disappear after being viewed. It also includes group chats, voice and video calls, stories shared with friends, and a Snap Map feature that can show a user's location. Because messages seem temporary, many young people believe Snapchat is safer than other apps.

How can Snapchat be a risk?

The idea that messages "disappear" is one of the biggest myths. Snaps can be screenshotted, screen-recorded, saved using another device, or recovered in other ways. This can lead to images or messages being shared without consent.

Snapchat also allows direct messaging and group chats, where children may be added to conversations with people they don't know well. The app can be used for pressure, bullying, coercion or inappropriate contact, particularly because messages feel private and informal. Location sharing through Snap Map can also unintentionally reveal where a child lives, goes to school, or spends time.

How can parents support safe use of Snapchat?

Talk openly with children about the myth of disappearing messages – **anything sent can be saved or shared.**

Encourage privacy settings: limit who can contact them, view stories, or see their location.

Turn off **Snap Map** or set it to "Ghost Mode".

Remind children they never have to reply to messages that make them uncomfortable and should **tell a trusted adult** if something doesn't feel right.

Keep conversations calm and supportive – children are more likely to speak up if they know they won't get into trouble for being honest

Parents can report online concerns to **CEOP**, speak to the school's safeguarding team, or access guidance from **NSPCC**, **ThinkUKnow**, and **Childline**.



<https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/>

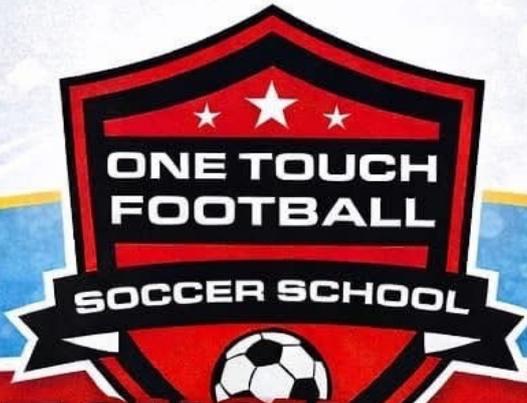


<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/reporting-abuse/report/>



<https://saferinternet.org.uk/resource/thinkuknow->

<https://www.childline.org.uk/>



ONE TOUCH INCLUSIVITY FOOTBALL

Football Made *for Everyone*

Inclusive football sessions for children and young people with a disability or EHCP.

NEW INDOOR HOME AT REDZ ARENA • SUNDAYS - LATE AFTERNOON

4:00 – 4:40pm

 **Under 11s Team** (Years 3-6)

 **Fun Football Session** - Any Age

Focus on learning new skills, building confidence, and making friends.

4:40 – 5:20pm

 **U15s** (Years 7-10)

 **U18s** (Years 11-13)

For players who are more confident and want to play as part of a team.

Monthly matches across the Leicestershire area.

WHO CAN JOIN?

- ✓ Children and young people with a disability or EHCP
- ✓ Those who enjoy football but may struggle in traditional grassroots teams.

WHY CHOOSE ONE TOUCH?

- ✓ UEFA-qualified coach
- ✓ SEN background and experience
- ✓ Friendly, **inclusive atmosphere**
- ✓ Parent seating area **upstairs**
- ✓ Strong community for players and parents.

Redz Arena

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COME AND BE PART OF OUR ONE TOUCH FOOTBALL FAMILY! 😊