



Richard Avenue Primary School

Friday Flier

Weekly Update

Friday 13th May 2022

UPCOMING DATES

RAPS daycare: Reading Breakfast Club from 8-8:45am & Homework After School Club from 3:30pm-5:15pm

Monday 16 May

Year 2 SATs begin

Bikeability for Y5

That History Bloke for Y6

Durham visit for Y1

Tuesday 17 May

Swimming for Y3

Captain Chemistry for Y4

Durham Castle visit for Y1

Y5/6 Swimming Team are representing the school in the Sunderland Swimming Gala Finals at the Sunderland Aquatic Centre

Wednesday 18 May

Walk Wise for Y1

Thursday 19 May

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Tennis/Soft Play at Silksworth for RDM

Quadratics at Silksworth for Y3/4

Friday 20 May

Tennis/Soft Play at Silksworth for RW

Monday 23 May

Dental hygiene visit for Y4

Future dates for your diary

- School will be closed on **Friday 27th May**, for an additional day's holiday to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee
- All pupils will return to school after the break on **Monday 6th June 2022**.
- Week beginning **Monday 6th June 2022**, Year 5 and 6 will set off for their visit to Derwent Hill, returning on **Friday 10th June 2022**
- W/b 6th June** Y1 Phonics Screen

Head Teacher comment Dear Richard Avenue Families, We begin this week's Flier with a huge well done to our Year 6 pupils for the calm and sensible manner in which they tackled their SATs. We are incredibly very proud of them all and know that they are enjoying a well deserved day of treats today which we are certain they will tell you all about at home! Many thanks to the RAPS staff team for the care and consideration given to the organising and the smooth-running of this important week. Next week, our Year 2 pupils will also be undertaking a range of assessments planned and delivered by their teachers. These will contribute towards their final Key Stage 1 assessments. With two weeks to go until summer half term, it is crucially important that your child is at school every day and on time. Not only does missing school significantly impact their learning, it also disrupts their friendships. Children need certainty. If their friend is not in school regularly, they will quickly find someone else they can rely on to be there. I understand that sometimes absence is unavoidable but please do ensure that your child is on time and only absent if they really are unable to come into school.

Thank you, as always, for your support. Have a lovely weekend.

With very best wishes,

Claire McKinney

Miss McKinney and all of the staff at Richard Avenue Primary School

RAPS assemblies. This week we looked at the United Nations declaration of Human Rights. We found out Human rights are rights that belong to every individual, regardless of race, sex, religion, nationality or ethnicity. Some classes discussed scenarios where people's human rights had been violated, we thought about how this could be rectified and what we would do in certain situations. We then thought about school and how we can make sure we support and respect people's rights.

RAPS Assembly Stars. Our RAPS teacher's choice stars are:

Nursery - Yasir & Azeema
Rec - Efosa & Aarin
Y1 - Inaaya & Bryan
Y2 - Sophie & Afreen
3 - Mavin & Salma
4 - Noah & Maisie
5 - Amelia & Arafat
6 - Andrei & Hannah



Well done everyone, you are all RAPS superstars!

This week's theme for the RAPS Star has been **creativity** linked across subjects; something children might do as a hobby/school club or a specific subject where children have shown creativity.



Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations at RAPS... SAVE THE DATE!

We will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in school on Tuesday 24th May. The children will spend the day learning about why we are celebrating the Jubilee, alongside preparing for our afternoon picnic! We would love to have parents / carers join us on the school field for a Jubilee picnic from 2-3pm. Also, to give you some notice, we will be asking the children to wear red, white or blue clothes on the day or non-uniform so please do not feel you need to buy anything extra. We hope lots of you can come along to celebrate with us!

Care when driving. Please could we ask families to take care when driving around our school site at drop-off and pick-up times. Just last week there was almost an awful incident at the school gates involving fast moving cars and our children. With many thanks for your support with this important issue.

Football team news. The Year 5 and 6 boys played two 7 aside fixtures against Northern Saints and Bexhill last Thursday evening at Richard Avenue. The team gave it a great effort in both matches and are continuing to improve game by game. We were cheered on by a great home crowd which was great to see, thank you for your support. Well done to our team who have more fixtures in the coming weeks. Our thanks also to **Mr Old** for all he did to organise our team to take part. **Thank you Mr Old!**

Safetyworks. Year 5 enjoyed a visit out of school on Monday morning to Safetyworks in Newcastle. The children improved their knowledge in making informed life choices, where they needed to recognise key risks and dangers, and gain confidence to take actions which will reduce the risks to themselves and others. They enjoyed activities based on home safety; fire safety; road safety and internet safety and many more. Well done Year 5!



Parenting. We all know that being a parent is both a wonderful gift and a tremendous challenge. **Fegans** is a charity which offers support with a wide range of family issues. There is a wide range of advice available from how to help your child manage nightmares to how to support them in staying safe online. Please have a look at the following link for more information: www.fegans.org.uk/familyhub/



Taken during last week's coffee afternoons #happytimes

Reception 2022 offers. If you have received an offer from Sunderland Local Authority for a reception school place for September 2022 please remember to accept your offer to secure your child's place. Thank You.

School lunches. School lunches are **£11.50 per week**. Please could we ask that all school lunch payments be completed online? Do remember to include your child's name and class in the message box. Thank you.

Roll of honour. We know our children are as busy out of school as in (often busier!), so invite you to please let us know when they have achieved something special - this could be gaining a new martial arts belt or a brownies badge or anything else like this. Whether it's sporting successes or achievements in any other interests, please do let us know and we will give a special shout out in our Friday Flier as well as in our special RAPS STAR assemblies.

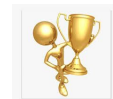


Attendance matters. Did you know...that 90% attendance at school is equal to one day off each fortnight? Attendance matters and at Richard Avenue and we work incredibly hard to maintain the regular and punctual attendance of all of our children in order to support them in achieving their very best each and every single day.



If your child is absent from school due to illness, please ensure you call the school office by 9.30am to let us know. Thank you.

Top attendance. Congratulations for a third week in a row to **5M** who again have this week's top attendance achieving 99%.



This week's whole school attendance
92.8%.