



Richard Avenue Primary School

Friday Flyer

Weekly Update

Friday 20th May 2022

UPCOMING DATES

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

Monday 23 May

Dental hygiene visit for Y1

Tuesday 24 May

No swimming for Y3

Year 6 Boys Cricket Team are representing the school in the Sunderland Cricket Finals at Hetton Lyons Cricket Club

Queen's Platinum Jubilee day and family picnic

Wednesday 25 May

Walkwise for Y1

Dental hygiene visit for Y2

Safetyworks for Y3

Tennis at Silksworth for Y4

Year 6 Girls Cricket Team are representing the school in the Sunderland Girls Cricket Finals at Philadelphia Cricket Club

Thursday 26th May

Walkwise for Y1

Visit to Silksworth for Soft Play and Tennis for Y1S (morning only)

Friday 27 May

School will be closed on **Friday 27th May**, for an additional day's holiday to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee

Future dates for your diary

Summer half term begins on **Monday 30th May 2022**

Monday 6 June

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, With just one week to go until half term, we are making the most of every day at RAPS. Our children have been really focused on their learning and Y2 in particular, have been superstars as they have tried their very best with this week's SATs tests. We are so proud of them all for the sensible way in which they have tackled these with many thanks once again to the RAPS staff team for the care and consideration given to the organising and the smooth-running of this important week. The children are also working hard to be physically active throughout the day as they develop their understanding of their own emotions. As we all know, this is so important for them now and in the future. We hope you enjoy reading this week's flyer. Have a lovely weekend.

With very best wishes, *Claire McKinney*

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

RAPS assemblies. We have continued our learning in PSHE lessons through our collective worship this week themed around the topic of **Health and Wellbeing**—at the moment we are learning about physical health and mental wellbeing. All of the children are further developing their knowledge and understanding of physical health and mental wellbeing using these key questions to support discussions: in Y1: who can help you stay healthy? In Y2: who can help us to manage our feelings? In Y3: what healthy choices do we make and how could we make healthier choices? In Y4: how do you support your physical health? In Y5: how do we support our own mental wellbeing? In Y6: where can we get support for our mental wellbeing and from who?

Are the children able to talk about these discussions with you at home?

RAPS Assembly Stars. Our RAPS stars are:

Nursery - Ruby & Ayaan
Rec - Ibrahim & Husam
Y1 - Urwa & Ilyas
Y2 - Miray & Lawk
Y3 - Logan & Tanisa
Y4 - Mehnaz & Lily
Y5 - Tehzeeb & Phoebe
Y6 - Hajrah & Millie



Well done everyone, you are all RAPS superstars!

*This week's theme for the RAPS Star **curiosity**. It has been suggested by Year 4. The curiosity award might be given to a child that is always asking questions, reading books and going out to try to learn about the world, shows an interest in finding out more, has an inquisitive mind, is keen to learn in class or outside of school or has great investigations skills.*



Queen's Platinum Jubilee. A gentle reminder that we are celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Tuesday (24.5.22). 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, and invite the children to wear red, white or blue clothes on the day or non-uniform. We hope lots of you can come along to celebrate with us! If you are able to join us, could we please ask that you contact school to confirm, just so that we have an idea of numbers expected. Our number is 0191 5007990. We can't wait to see you all.



Have you logged into your child's **Seesaw** account this week? Staff have shared a number of updates after such a busy week. *If you need a new invite, please contact the class teacher.*

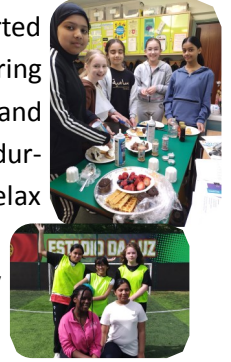
Roll of honour. We are absolutely delighted that **Hajrah R 6H** has had a painting accepted for the Young Artists' Summer Show in London. Her artwork was judged by a panel of passionate artists and arts professionals. They selected her piece for display online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts. A fantastic artistic achievement Hajrah. Congratulations.



Welcome visits for our Nursery and Reception families. Our plans for these important visits are being finalised. Please do look out for letters of invitation.



From Y6... On Friday we enjoyed brunch with waffles, lots of sweet treats and started watching Goodnight Mister Tom (which is about a young evacuee during World War 2). Then we walked to **Goals** where we played football and we all had lots of fun! We showed great teamwork and team spirit during our matches. It was a nice end to our SATS week and helped us relax after a busy week. We were all grateful for a lovely treat! Thanks to Miss Cherrett, Miss Howard, Miss Green and Mr Spors for a lovely day! **Written by Anya A, Adnan, Taieb and Samia.**



ZooLab in Nursery. As part of their topic on minibeasts, Nursery got to handle a colossal collection of creepy crawlies this week, courtesy of Rob from ZooLab. They handled giant snails and millipedes, met a tarantula, stroked a very large rat, and chased a very fast cockroach!



Wellbeing club had a great time on Monday night making sunshine rainbows. They were so good the sun came out in time to go home after an awful day of rain.



Y1 visits Durham Castle. Year one visited Durham Castle on the 16th May (1CW) and Tuesday 17th May (1S). We all had a great time exploring a real castle and finding out about its features. Some of us dressed up as the kings and bishops connected to the castle history. In the afternoon, we all made our own cardboard models of castles using what we had learned. The we were challenged to make a strong castle wall and the teachers tried to knock it down!



The Year 5/6 swimming team took part in the Sunderland School Swimming Finals. Well done to all of our children who swam brilliantly and showed great determination. Special mention to the boys who made the grand final of the medley relay race. Our children were superb ambassadors for our school with thanks to Mr Spors for all he did to organise the children. Thank you Mr Spors!



That History Bloke. Year 6 were visited by Richard Stevenson (*That History Bloke*) who brought in fascinating artefacts from World War 2. He taught us all what happened during this war. We learnt about a family from Gateshead; what their lives were like during the war. He let handle his artefacts and taught us how to recognise British and German planes. Richard also brought in an air raid siren and he demonstrated this for us - it was extremely loud! It was very educational yet fun and everyone had a great day! **Written by Imogen, Sophia and Matthew.**



Could we remind families that the fitness trail and gym equipment must not be used at home time. It is only to be used under staff supervision in case anyone get hurts. Thank you for your support.

Top attendance. Congratulations for a fourth week in a row to **5M** who have top attendance achieving 97.9%.



Weekly whole school attendance is 88.5%.



The match! Finally, the biggest good luck shout out to SAFC for the game that we won't mention but are all thinking about (or most of us!) **Ha'way the lads!**