

Richard Avenue Primary School

Friday Flyer

Weekly Update

Friday 24th June 2022

UPCOMING DATES

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

Monday 27 June

Assessment week in school

Nursery and reception induction meetings, *by appointment*

Tuesday 28 June

Swimming for Y3

Nursery and reception induction meetings, *by appointment*

Thursday 30 June

That History Bloke visits Y3 – Romans

Triathlon comp for Y5/6 at Silksworth

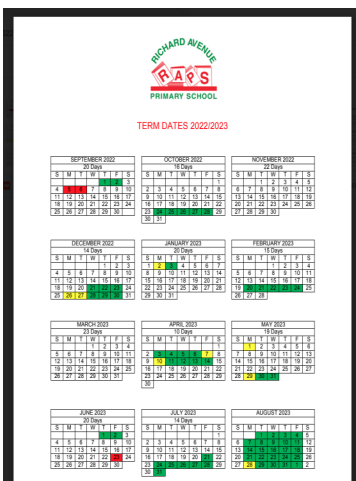
Friday 1 July

Barnes Park event for Y5

Whole school sculpture project

Future dates for your diary

Next year's term dates have been added to our website and inserted below for your information at home.



RICHARD AVENUE
RAPS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Head Teacher comment

Dear Richard Avenue Families, In addition to the wide range of sporting and enrichment activities that have been taking place in school throughout this week, the children have produced some stunning pieces of work in their classes, many of which have been displayed around school. We had a number of achievements to recognise in our celebration assembly and we would like to congratulate all of our children for their fantastic attitude to learning. Y4 in particular have been superstars as they have tried their very best with this week's multiplication checks. 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 these assessments. As we all know, this is a very busy half-term; we're looking forward to our Sports and Wellbeing Week and the Community Summer Fair (*see overleaf for more details*), as well as the last educational visits of the year. We'll be saying au revoir to our Y6s and celebrating their time with us. We will also be sharing reports with you all and children and yourselves will find out who their new teachers will be for September. I know your children won't want to miss a moment of that. It is a crucial half-term for them and their education. Have a lovely weekend with your wonderful children; we look forward to seeing everyone back to school on Monday for what will be the last few days of June, already! With very best wishes, *Claire McKinney*.

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

RAPS assemblies. In assemblies this week, we have been discussing how unique we are. We talked about how being different and not the same as everyone else makes the world an interesting place. We looked at how we are unique – interests, hobbies, likes and dislikes, opinions. We agreed that uniqueness is great!

This week's **RAPS value** has been: celebrating differences, thinking about how good it is to be me...



RAPS Assembly Stars. Our teamwork RAPS

stars are:

- Nursery - Safwan & Aleisha
- Rec - Preston & Souyima
- 1 - Poppie & Ahmed
- 2 - Omar & Yasin
- 3 - Eknoor & Ethan
- 4 - Zakwan & Ellie
- 5 - Asiyah & Umaira

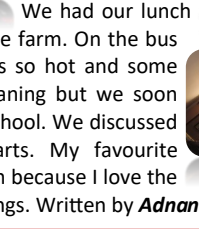
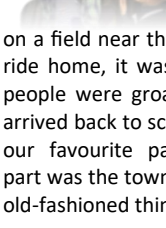
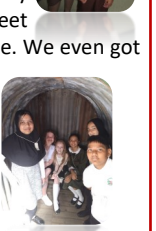
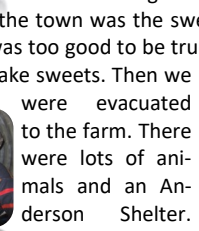
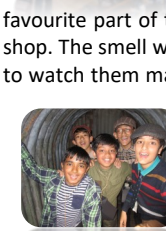


Well done everyone, you are all RAPS superstars!

This week's theme for the RAPS Star is mathematics. Mathematics superstars have shown great enthusiasm for number work including: making an extra effort with times table practice, problem solving and reasoning skills. This is also someone who has demonstrated effort in mathematics lessons, shows superb arithmetic skills or uses their mathematics skills in other areas of the curriculum.

Year 6 step back in time. When we first arrived at we went on a tram. It was really cool and a favourite part was how we got to the top deck of the bus seats.

There was no roof and we all loved waving at the people walking. Our destination was the town and we soon got there. It was amazing! My favourite part of the town was the sweet shop. The smell was too good to be true. We even got to watch them make sweets. Then we were evacuated to the farm. There were lots of animals and an Anderson Shelter. We had our lunch on a field near the farm. On the bus ride home, it was so hot and some people were groaning but we soon arrived back to school. We discussed our favourite parts. My favourite part was the town because I love the old-fashioned things. Written by **Adnan 6H**



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

Reception visit the farm. Reception enjoyed their trip to Whitehouse Farm this week. The children fed the larger animals and even gave the baby lambs their bottles. We held some smaller animals and then had a fun tractor ride. It was a full-packed fantastic day out, which showed by the number of children who had a nap on the bus on the way home. **Destiny** said, "I liked feeding the baby lambs. I gave them milk. They were so cute."



New Parent Governor. We are delighted share news that **Rima Ali**, mum of Yasin in 2H, has been duly nominated and elected as our new Parent Governor. Our congratulations to Rima, with thanks to her for caring about our school so much to volunteer her services to make our school even better than it already is. We also thank **Sandra Williams** and **Nicisha Miles** for their nominations, as well as everyone who voted. We really do appreciate your fabulous support of our wonderful school. Thank you Sandra and Nicisha. Finally, we really look forward to working with Rima - thank you Rima and welcome to the GB team!



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.*

Helping hands. Huge thanks to our green fingered friends who have spent many an hour in our school gardens in the past few weeks: thank you to **Mr & Mrs Williams** grandparents of **Sebastian in 4S** and to **Mr & Mrs Brown** grandparents of **Emma in 6C** and **Jamie in 4W**. We are incredibly grateful too you all - thank you!

Save the date. We are working with members of the community on plans for a **Community Summer Fair** which will take place in our school grounds on **Saturday 16th July between 11am and 3pm**. Please save this date in your diaries for now, and we'll tell you more in the next few weeks... All welcome!

Class organisation and class mixing. We are currently in the process of finalising staffing and organising classes for next year. In order to ensure that classes are balanced, we may decide that some classes will be mixed as they enter the next year group. This is a regular and healthy process that takes place periodically to provide children with opportunities mix widely and to ensure that our class groupings provide all children with the best opportunities to succeed. Our informed decisions regarding class groupings are always made with careful consideration and with the best interests of the children in that year group at the centre. We look forward to sharing further information with you regarding the next academic year in the coming weeks.

Parent online safety update.

CEOP are delighted to announce the launch of their new website for 4-7-year-olds and accompanying guide for parents and carers. The new interactive website encourages 4-7s to engage safely online by helping them to recognise worrying, upsetting or scary situations and reinforcing the key message that they should 'Tell A Grown Up' in these instances. The content is divided into sections for 4 - 5 and 6 - 7 year-olds and features relevant and age-appropriate games for the chosen age bracket. Each game focuses on one of four topics: *watching videos, chatting online, sharing pictures, gaming online*. The Jessie & Friends episodes are also available to watch on the new website to enhance understanding. You can access the new interactive website resources [here](#) and read the [parent/guardian guide here](#).

Attendance matters. Increasing days off for illness – we understand that everyone gets sick sometimes but regularly taking days off for illness is a cause for concern. It is best to provide evidence to support absences where possible (appointment cards/prescriptions) so that we can continue to authorise time off. Where possible, you should encourage your child to come to school. A cough, a cold and feeling a bit unwell are unpleasant but not necessarily something we need a day off for.



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 to **1S** who have top attendance this week achieving **99.2%**.



Weekly whole school attendance is
94.7%