



Richard Avenue Primary School

Friday Flyer

Weekly Update

Friday 3 March 2023

UPCOMING DATES

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

Monday 6 March

Book week: please bring your favourite book into school this week

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Yr 1

Adult learning classes

Parent afternoon/evening from 1.45pm

Tuesday 7 March

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Yr 3

Wednesday 8 March

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Yr 5

Sunderland Empire Project for Y4

Girls' football for Yrs 5&6

Thursday 9 March

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by R&Y4

Dance for Y4

SATs information meeting for Y6 families from 3.50-4.30pm in our school hall

Friday 10 March

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Yrs 2&6

Swimming for Y3

Change4Health from 2.30-3.30pm

Head Teacher comment Dear Richard Avenue Families, Welcome back to the new half term; we hope you've been able to enjoy the break, with an opportunity to recharge your batteries and spend time together. We come back to a full diary (already!) but are raring to go with so many wonderful activities for the children to enjoy. Adult learning classes began again this week and Mr Spoors' was delighted with his *Half Term Sports Camp* which was enjoyed by a large number of children. We know families struggle with holiday childcare, and hope to be able to offer many more Mr Spoors' specials, so please watch this space over the coming weeks. Huge thanks to our wonderful Mr Spoors whose attention to detail, care and enthusiasm made sure the sports camp was a great success #thankyoutourwonderfulmrspoors **SEE PAGE 3 FOR MORE INFO, INCLUDING PHOTOGRAPHS!**

On that lovely note, enjoy the weekend and we look forward to seeing you at next week's parent and teacher meetings.

With very best wishes,

Claire McKinney.

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

Assembly stars. Last week's stars linked to the themes of kindness and love were:

Gracie & Kaisan

Ayaan, Ruby & Felicity

Ayyub

Nasiha

Juwariah & Mahnoor

Nia

Well done everyone, you are all RAPS stars!



In this week's assemblies.... We have been thinking about our favourite books this week. We love to read and listen to stories in our school. We discussed our favourite books and stories in class. Why not ask us about it?



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

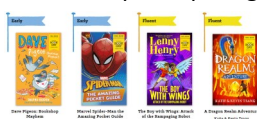
Meet the TEACHER

Meet the teacher appointments:
Monday 6th March. A reminder that it's parents' evening next week, an important opportunity to speak to your child's class teacher. In time for your appointment, please come into school through the main entrance where there will be a team of our oldest children waiting to greet you, and take you to your appointment. Please contact our school office if you have not yet made an appointment. If you would like to also request a translator for your appointment and haven't already done so, could you please let us know. **We look forward to seeing you next week.**

Book week at Richard Avenue. As part of our celebration of World Book Day, we are asking your child to please bring their favourite story into school next week, from Monday 6th March. We will celebrate our love of books throughout the week taking part in quizzes, book sharing cafes, journal writing and much, much more.



Your child also has a £1 book token which they were given yesterday. This token can be exchanged for one of the exclusive, new and completely FREE World Book Day books available from participating booksellers or used to receive £1 off any full price book or audiobook instead (as long as the book or audiobook costs at least £2.99). Booksellers include supermarkets, such as ASDA and Sainsbury's. Tokens are valid from Thursday 16 February to Sunday 26 March 2023.



Safeguarding update. At Richard Avenue Primary School, we are committed to creating a safe environment for our children. A duty is placed upon all adults within our school to safeguard and promote the welfare of the children (section 175 of the Education Act 2002). The aims of Safeguarding Procedure and practice are:

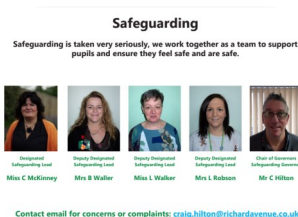
To provide a safe school in which we actively promote the safety of every child.

To provide a message to all adults within our community, that we are a safe school.

To challenge the identity and purpose of all visitors to our school, and to keep a record of those.

To provide an environment in which pupils feel safe, can express their feelings on matters relating to safety and can be assertive if necessary.

To provide a regularly updated policy on safeguarding shared with all staff and governors.



The designated safeguarding leads in our school are named on this screenshot ...

Safeguarding Team			
Miss McKinney	Designated Lead	Miss Donnelly	Premises, GDPR, Recruitment
Miss Waller	Deputy Designated Lead	Miss Grogan	SMSC
Miss Walker	CLA, Prevent, DSL	Miss Bell	PISE
Miss Robson	SENDOS, DSL	Miss Chavett	PISE
Mr Taylor	Premises, HSE	Mr Batten	Online Safety
Mr Mackenzie	VOS	Miss McMaster	British Values

Reception open afternoon. Our re-arranged Reception class open afternoon took place this week with thanks to everyone who came along to join in the fun, and for your understanding when we cancelled before half term. We know that the children really enjoyed seeing you in school, and hope that it gave you an insight into how maths learning is organised in reception? If you have any further questions whatsoever, please just ask. Thank you. Our thanks also to **Mrs Waller and Mrs Graham** for preparing and leading such a lovely afternoon, and to **our wonderful reception team** - thank you! Watch this space for next term's open event.



On the first of March, Mrs Dunn and Miss Higgins have started our 'WOW' **Walk Once a Week** project. If your child walks to school at least once a week, every week, they will receive a **WOW badge** at the end of the month to wear with pride. Our children have been very enthusiastic about walking to school although we appreciate this can be really hard for some families, and we have therefore set an achievable target of once a week. This will help us reduce traffic congestion during busy times on our nearby roads. For more information please see the letter at the back of the flyer from **Living Streets**. Enjoy collecting your walking badges!



Attendance of the week. Congratulations to **5W** who are our weekly winners.

Weekly whole school attendance is **92.5%**.

CLASS	ATTENDANCE %	CLASS	ATTENDANCE %
NURSERY MORN	75.0	3B	94.7
NURSERY AFT	86.8	3G	98.8
RG(M)	90.8	4G	91.4
RW	89.6	4S	93.5
1B	90.8	5M	89.0
1S	89.6	5W	99.1
2CW	96.7	6C	89.5
2H	90.8	6H	92.4

Holiday Club at Richard Avenue

We held our very first holiday sports club at Richard Avenue over the half term break. Children from KS2 came to school for either the morning or the afternoon to take part in a wide range of activities with **Mr Spoor**.

Children played cricket, handball, football, basketball and took part in a fitness trail time trial. Overall the day was a huge success and we can't wait to offer it again in the next school holiday!



Now from the children:

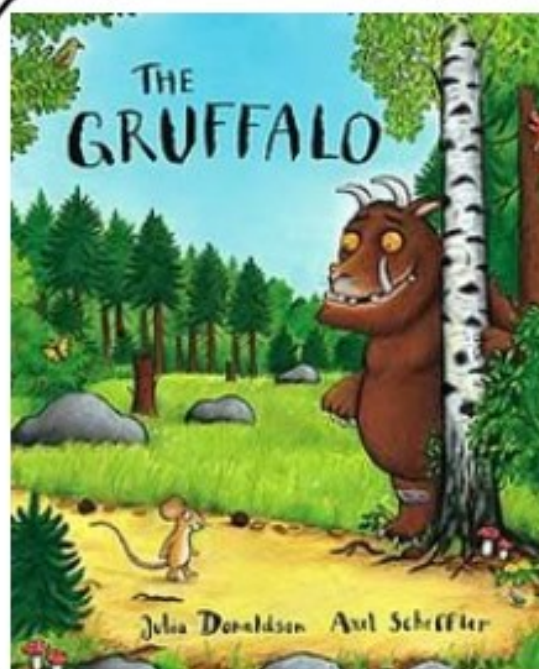
Aadil: I had so much fun and I can't wait for the next one. We played outside the whole time.

Saiba: I enjoyed the football the best. I won a medal for being the fastest on the fitness trail.

Victor: It was good to see my friends in the holidays and play all of the different sports.



Book Recommendation of the Week



I recommend 'The Gruffalo' for key stage 1 and early years because it is rhyming and intriguing with detailed illustrations.
By Sarah 6C