

Richard Avenue Primary School

Friday Flyer

Weekly Update Friday 28 April 2023

UPCOMING DATES

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

Monday 1 May

School closed for May Bank holiday

Tuesday 2 May

School closed by NEU strike action

Wednesday 3 May

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Yrs 5

Walkwise for YI

IS Theatre Royal for The Lion King

Thursday 4 May

Polling Station in the Community Room

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

Coronation feast for lunch created by our wonderful catering team

Friday 5 May

Coronation picnic and celebration children to wear own clothes or party clothes to school

Families please arrive for 2.30pm

No Swimming for Y3

Saturday 6 May

The Coronation of King Charles III

Monday 8 May

School closed for Coronation Bank Holiday <u>Head Teacher comment</u> Dear Richard Avenue Families, We're almost at the end of another speedy month and are making the most of every day at RAPS. Our children have been really focused on their learning and 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. Speaking of being active, we are excited to tell you that we have been successful in our application to *active Sunderland* with news that we have retained our <u>Active Sunderland Schools Charter Gold Standard</u>.

To mark this fantastic achievement, the team from *active* will visit our school and formally present our award, but meantime we wanted to share this exciting news with our school community. Huge thanks to our wonderful **Mr Spoors** who completed and submitted the award application on our behalf, and who does so much each and every day to inspire the children to be physically active. Thanks also to



Miss Davidson who works hard alongside Mr Spoors, to make sure PE in our school is as good as it can be. Before we wish you a tree-mendous weekend (sorry!), eagle-eyed families will have spotted the tree planting which has been taking place in our school grounds this week. We've added a number of semi-mature trees to further develop the nature garden into a forest school area. We'll share more about this exciting development in the coming weeks but for now, see the back of our flyer for tree ish photographs! Have a lovely extended weekend.

With very best wishes, Claire Mckingy.

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

Assembly stars. Last week's good citizen RAPS values stars were:

Nursery: Daniel

Rec: David, Sumayyah, Zahraa, Noah, Akshad

& Maggie

YI: Maria, Daniel, Mera, Durkhanai, Ethan & Merviin

Y2: Poppie & Arthur

Y3: Rabiul, Rajaa, Leo & Aiyaz

Y4: Amna & Taylor

Y5: Simran, Muslima, Ismail & Francesco

Y6: Eesa & Sumayyah

Well done everyone, you are all RAPS stars!

In this week's assemblies. This week in assemblies we have been discussing what it means to be *creative*. We explored different ways people express themselves creatively through activities such as art, music dance and even cookery. We admired and shared people's creative achievements in art looking at some of our favourite artists and performers. Teachers were also on the look out for creative talents for this week's *star of the week* awards.





Polling Station: Thursday 4th May - **all day.** Our school will be used as a Polling Station in next week's local election. It will be set up in the community room with absolutely no access to our school building for members of the public. Breakfast and After School Clubs will be open as normal but please come into school via the main front door please.

Design a cake fit for a king. Sunderland School Meals Service is inviting our children to design a cake fit for a king – provide the recipe, method, name the cake and a drawing of how it should look. For the younger children in nursery and reception, the recipe and method can be left out. Any entries to be handed to Cathy, our school Catering Manager, who will pass them on to the judging panel. Remember to also include your name, your year group and our school name.

Eight winners will be chosen from across the City (hopefully one from each year group depending on quantity of entries), each of whom will receive a £20 Amazon gift card. Closing date for entries will be Fri

19th May. Good luck!

Offers for reception places in September 2023 were sent out this week. If you applied online, you will be able to log into the Family Portal to see your child's place. If you completed a paper application, you will receive a letter by post. If you have not yet submitted an application, please apply as soon as possible. You must accept or decline the place offered by **Monday 1st** May. If we can support you with this process, please do not hesitate to speak to one of the office team who will do all they can to help you.

Coats Reminder. Please could parents ensure that all children are bringing a coat with them to school. We are still subject to a few showers at present but break and lunch times will still take place outdoors whenever possible. Thank you.

King's Coronation day banquet at Richard Avenue. Cathy and the catering team are serving a feast fit for a king on Thursday 4th May. The menu will be:

chicken breast fillet or vegetarian chicken served with roast potatoes, creamed potatoes, vegetable selection and gravy or ham or cheese sandwich served with tortilla chips and mixed salad followed by jam & cream scone or iced chocolate cupcake

We are encouraging all of the children to have a school meal on the day. If your child does not normally have school dinners, then please let the school office know in advance. Thank you as always for your support.

The Coronation of King Charles III. A gentle reminder that on **Friday 5th May** we will continue to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III with a Cor-

onation Picnic on our school field. What

do you need to know now...

- Children can wear their choice of own clothes or party clothes to school that day:

- the picnic will run from 2.30pm until 3.15pm;
- Families are welcome to bring their own chairs, blankets and snacks, but we ask you to please avoid anything containing nuts due to potential allergies;
- Children will make sandwiches and fruit snacks in class for themselves.

We look forward to welcoming you on the day and hope the weather is kind to us! If it's wet, we'll cancel the picnic and let you know via Seesaw and text message.

Safeguarding update - Place2Be.

We wanted to take this opportunity to make families aware of a new website which has been launched by Place2Be to support parents. Parenting Smart is full of practical advice and tried and tested tips for parents and carers of primary-age children. The website collates short videos and quick- read advice articles for parents, with all content written by child mental health experts. Some examples of topics include parents support for children who are struggling to sleep, displaying signs of anxiety, managing grief, coping with ideas of negative body image or striving for unrealistic perfection amongst many other areas. Please follow this link to see the full range of available resources. We hope that you find them useful.

Attendance of the week. Congratulations to ??? who are our weekly winners.

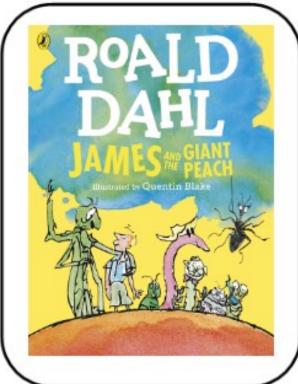
Weekly whole school attendance is ??? %

CLASS	ATTENDANCE %	CLASS	ATTENDANCE %
NURSERY MORN	89.5	3B	88.2
NURSERY AFT	97.2	3G	95.0
RM	96.2	4G	99.1
RW	96.0	45	94.4
1B	94.0	5M	95.5
1\$	90.0	5W	96.8
2CW	97.1	6C	91.1
2H	94.2	6Н	95.5

Attendance Guide		
95% - 100%	Excellent level of attendance	
90% - 94%	Good level of attendance	
80% - 89%	Concerning level of attendance	
Below 80%	Serious concern	



Book Recommendation of the Week



I recommend 'James and the Giant Peach' by Roald Dahl because it is adventurous and funny. By Leon 45

May = National Walking Month!

Walking is one of the easiest ways to improve physical and mental health as well as enabling us to feel connected to our community. Swapping a short drive for a walk can reduce air pollution, congestion and road danger. It can also help us save money.

All of this is why we celebrate National Walking Month every May — and we want you to take part!



Thursday 4th May 2023



MAIN COURSES

CHICKEN BREAST FILLET

OR

VEGETARIAN CHICKEN •

SERVED WITH

ROAST POTATOES, CREAMED POTATOES, VEGETABLE SELECTION & GRAVY

HAM OR CHEESE SANDWICHES

SERVED WITH
TORTILLA CHIPS AND MIXED SALAD.

DESSERT

JAM AND CREAM SCONES
OR ICED CHOCOLATE CUPCAKES

The beginning of our forest school journey...

