



Richard Avenue Primary School

Friday Flyer

Weekly Update

Friday 30 June 2023

UPCOMING DATES

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

Monday 3 July

Non-uniform day - bring a tombola donation

St Anthony's additional transition for Derwent Hill pupils

Tuesday 4 July

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by R & Yr 3

Swimming for Y4

Fire station visit (writing project) for Y5

Big Sing at the Empire for Y2

Wednesday 5 July

School closed - NEU strike action

Thursday 6 July

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Y4

Captain Chemistry for Y6

4-5pm & 5.15-6.15pm—welcome meetings for new nursery and reception families

Friday 7 July

School closed - NEU strike action

Future date for your diary

Saturday 8th July from 11am until 3pm - Community Summer Fair

Head Teacher comment Dear Richard Avenue Families, I am writing this having spent Tuesday with our wonderful Y5/6 intrepid adventurers in Derwent Hill. The children have had an amazing 5 days. They've enjoyed lots of fantastic activities including ropes challenge & the big swing, canoeing, ghyll scrambling and bush craft. Residentials are such important, educational experiences. Children learn to be independent and resilient; they improve their teamwork and communication growing as leaders and as individuals. It is why we are committed to taking our children on these visits and providing the opportunity to as many children as possible for which we cannot thank our families enough for supporting us in this ambition and know it has not been easy as the cost of living is so high. Thank you our families. We never take for granted your support and are always incredibly grateful. Huge thanks also to **Mr Warkman, Mr Spoors and Mrs Stephenson** for giving up their own time to look after our children. We are incredibly grateful. A special second mention to **Mr Warkman** for the many hours he has spent planning and preparing this visit. With so much to think about and consider, you can imagine how much there is to do. Many, many thanks Mr Warkman! To our Derwent Hill parents, good luck this weekend! 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 this week through collective worship. Our summer term's PSHE (*Personal, Social and Health Education*) topic is **Health and Wellbeing** with a focus on **Growing and Changing**. All children in school are further developing their knowledge and understanding of this important theme using key questions...

Y1: How are you the same and different to other people in our class?

Y2: What would we like to achieve in Year 3?

Y3: What are we good at? What are we proud of?

Y4: What are good strategies to support us when changes happen in our lives?

Y5: What is emotional wellbeing and what can impact it?

Y6: How should we manage increased independence?

If you have some time at the weekend, could you talk to the children using these questions?

Non-uniform day. As we get ready for our **summer fair** which is coming up on **Saturday July 8th**, there is a non-uniform day on **Monday** next week. Children are invited to wear their choice of home clothes to school and bring with them, if you are able to, a donation for the tombola stall. Tombola donations could be: **boxes of chocolate, soft toys, stationery (pens, pencils, notepads), unread books, toiletries, unwanted gifts, art materials (paints, paper, crafty bits and bobs).** Anything like this would be wonderful and we'd be very grateful. Looking forward to an excellent day and a wonderful summer fair!

Non-uniform day!

Eid al-Adha. Eid Mubarak! Wishing you a joyous and blessed Eid al-Adha with lots of laughter and good health.



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.*

Sports afternoons. We will be holding our annual sport and wellbeing activity week but this year we will be linking this fantastic week with our sports days. Families are welcome to come along and watch the children take part in our very own Olympic games style event. This will be taking place the week beginning 10th July. Please do bring your own chair or picnic blanket, as although the children will be taking part in a carousel of activities, you may prefer to sit rather than stand to cheer from the side lines. All welcome!

Monday afternoon: Years 3 and 4

Tuesday afternoon: Years 1 and 2

Thursday afternoon: Years 5 and 6

Friday morning: Morning Nursery

Friday afternoon: Afternoon Nursery and Reception

Year 2 had a wonderful visit from the fire service on Tuesday.



Children learnt about fire safety and what to do in the event of an emergency. We looked around the fire engine and were shown all the different equipment. Children were thrilled to try on a fire hat and use the hose. Special thanks to **Poppie's dad**



Rob who is a firefighter and arranged the visit. It was a fantastic visit, all children thoroughly enjoyed it.

Community Fair. Our School and Community Summer Fair will take place in our school grounds on **Saturday 8th July between 11am and 3pm**. There will be face painting, children's games, street food and much, much more. All welcome!

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](#).

Pierced ears. We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that children cannot under any circumstances wear jewellery in school. This especially includes earrings or studs and taping them is also not permitted. If you are therefore considering having your child's ears pierced, the best time to do it is at the start of the summer holiday. This will then allow the studs to remain in for the required period and thereby enable them to be removed for school once everyone returns in September.

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.*

Contact details. Could we please remind families to ensure that we hold up to-date contact details for the children. If you move house or change telephone number, please let us know. Thank you.

Lockdown practice. We wrote to families to explain this policy and confirmed when we would be practicing for it. Since school is now affected by the NEU's strike action, **our lockdown practice will take place on Tuesday next week**. Please do not be concerned about this. We regularly practice the fire evacuation plan to make sure we continue to do all we can to keep everyone safe. This is just the same. If you do have any concerns or questions, please speak to the staff team.

 **Year 6 leavers' production.** This takes place on **Tuesday 18 July @ 2.30pm** and **Wednesday 19th July @ 9.30am**, to which families are invited - please read your letter for more about ticket allocations. We intend to mark this occasion in a rather memorable way, and would be delighted if Y6 families were able to join us. Refreshments will be served in the community room before each performance. Team Y6 is working incredibly hard on the production and we would love to see as many of you as possible in the audience. If you have any questions, please speak to the Y6 teaching team. We look forward to seeing you soon, bring tissues!

Refreshments will be available in the Community Room between 8.45-9.15am and 2-2.30pm.

Top attendance. Congratulations to **6H** who have top attendance this week achieving **95.6%**.

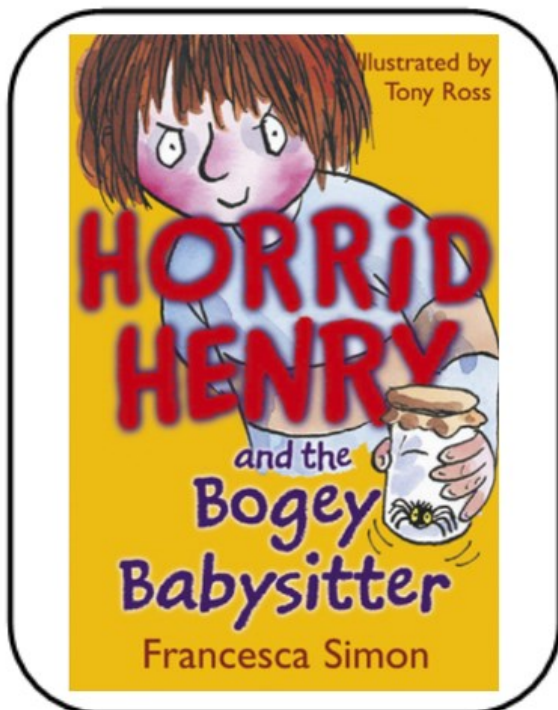
*Weekly whole school attendance is **95.3%**.*

CLASS	ATTENDANCE %	CLASS	ATTENDANCE %
NURSERY MORN	89.7	3B	87.0
NURSERY AFT	84.5	3G	89.6
RG (M)	85.0	4G	94.2
RW	82.0	4S	88.7
1B	82.6	5M	94.6
1S	92.5	5W	96.8
2CW	95.4	6C	94.8
2H	93.7	6H	95.6

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 'Horrid Henry and the Bogey Babysitter' by Francesca Simon because the babysitter is scared of the spider.

By Liana 1B



Community SUMMER FAIR

8TH JULY | SATURDAY

11AM TO 3PM

Venue: Richard Avenue Primary School

FACE PAINTING
FAIRGROUND
BOUNCY CASTLE
SLIDE

ICE CREAM
BURGERS
CAKES
HENNA

VARIOUS STREET FOOD
AND MANY MORE

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Youth Almighty Project

Free Family Fun Day

Barnes Park

Saturday 1st July 2023

10am to 4pm

- * Climbing Wall
- * Gamezone Gaming Van
- * Clean & Green
- * Nobles Funfair
- * Meccano
- * Tyne & Wear Fire & Rescue Demo's
- * Events2gogo Makers, Bakers & Gift Stalls
- * Story Telling
- * Music & Entertainment at the bandstand
- * Crafts
- * Trampolining
- * Dancing Workshops
- * Police Demo
- * African Drumming
- * Glitter Tattoos
- * Basketball
- * Sports

Plus many more activities for a fun filled day!

Enjoy a day out with all the family!

No car parking available at Barnes Park for this event, please use public transport where possible

Although most activities are free, there may be a charge to some activities.


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