



Richard Avenue Primary School

Friday Flyer

Weekly Update

Friday 6 October 2023

UPCOMING DATES

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

Monday 9 Oct

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Yr 4

Tuesday 10 Oct

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Reception & Yr 6

Foundation of Light PE for reception

Author Adam Bushnell's visit - Y3&Y6

Swimming for Y3

Ukulele for Y4

Wednesday 11 Oct

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Yr 1 & 5

Author Adam Bushnell's visit - Y1&Y4

Foundation of Light PE for Y1

Safety Works visit for Y6

Thursday 12 Oct

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Y3

Author Adam Bushnell's visit - Y2&Y5

Swimming for Y6H

Friday 13 Oct

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Y2

Swimming for Y6C

Future dates for your diary

Thursday 19th October

Y5's class assembly for parents. Please come into school via the main entrance, after you drop off at the gates. The assembly will begin shortly after 9am and last for approx. 20 mins. Y5 families very welcome!

Wednesday 8th November

Parents evening for all families about which you will receive a letter on Monday (paper copy) via your eldest child. If you have any questions, please speak to one of the team.

Head Teacher comment Dear Richard Avenue Families, Welcome to this week's newsletter, I hope that it finds you all well. It may be hard to believe, but we have now finished our fifth week of the autumn term. The newest members of the Richard Avenue Primary family are settling in well into life at school and their new classes. We are all excited to watch them flourish as they grow within our school environment. New Seesaw accounts have been set up for each class. You will have received a welcome invitation to this class account. If you require any support logging in, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. Home learning is a great way to support your child's in-school progress. Any support you can give your child with reading at home can make a big difference to children's confidence and can also provide a fun bonding experience. If you have any questions about supporting your child at home, please contact their class teacher, they will be happy to offer any support you may need. In other news, it's **Mental Health Day** today at Richard Avenue. At our school we take our mental health and wellbeing very seriously and we work towards the five winning ways to well-being: Connect-Be Active-Take Notice-Learn-Give. Learning to look after your mental health is a priority with HUGE thanks to our wonderful **Miss Ellis** for preparing such a wonderful day for the children and staff team. Looking ahead to the next few weeks, we continue the hectic pace with a number of off site visits and visitors to our school. We wish you all a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing you all next week.

With very best wishes,

Claire McKinney

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

RAPS assemblies. This week's focus was Responsibility. We have looked at what is responsibility and the types of responsibility we have in our lives. We talked about different responsibilities children take on in our school such as head pupils (*see page 2 of the flyer for more about these children!*) councillors, ambassadors, prefects and playground squads. We thought about the impact of people not taking responsibility and how this affects us, the wider community and the wider world. *This week is also World Space week and October is Black History month.*



RAPS Assembly Stars. Last week's **good friend** superstars were: **R: Mia; IW: Afreen; IG: Noah; 2CW: Luke; 2W: Mervin; 3D: Vale-rian; 3H: Holly; 4G: Nikita; 4S: Afreen; 5B: Mahnoor; 5W: Ava; 6C Zach; 6H Mia**



**Well done everyone,
you are all stars!**

Safeguarding Team. We would like you to remind you who our safeguarding team is so that you are aware of who to contact if you are concerned about the safety of a child or family in our school. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. We will do our best help.



Safeguarding

Safeguarding is taken very seriously, we work together as a team to support pupils and ensure they feel safe and are safe.



Assistant Safeguarding Lead
Miss C McKinney



Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs B Waller



Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Miss L Walker



Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs L Robson



Safeguarding Governor
Mr C Hilton

Sunderland Foodbank. We are collecting **donations for the Sunderland Foodbank** at the moment. The urgently needed items are: **INSTANT MEALS (KETTLE FOOD), LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE, JAM/PRESERVES, CHOCOLATE, TINNED POTATOES, BISCUITS/SAVOURY TREATS.** The children can bring their items into class; this will allow them to be delivered to the Sunderland Foodbank before half term. This is such a worthwhile cause in our community and your support is very much appreciated, thank you.

Parking. Can we remind you again to please consider our neighbours when you park to drop off your children. There have been cases of driveways being blocked, at all sites, in particular on Richard Avenue. Thank you for your help.

Our **Open Day** for new and prospective parents will be on **Tuesday 14th November**, from 9.15am - 3pm. Everyone is very welcome. Please ring school to book an appointment.



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.



Hi my name is Royal and I am Head pupil in Richard Avenue. I like to lead and bring ideas for people and represent the school. I like this school because it is fun and there are lots of interesting subjects. I would like to help other children to achieve their goals and improve our school. As long as I have been in this school I have enjoyed every single moment! When I leave the school I am going to encourage year 5 to be the best behaved.



Hello I am Hifza and I am 10 years old. I am Head pupil and have changes that I would like to make in school. I would like to change the lunch hall so that the staff can have more time to clean. What I like about school is that we can trust the teachers if we have a worry. The teachers are strict when they need to be and are sweet with the younger children. We could have a lost property box outside so that if coats are lost at break time they can be put there.

Hello my name is Zakwan and I am 10 years old. I am Head pupil and have ideas for the school. We should have a bike rack for the people that ride to school. I would like to add some things to our foundation subjects. They would be food technology and engineering. I would like school to compete in other things and not just PE.



Story-based PE with the Foundation of Light. Reception have been enjoying their story based PE sessions with Jack from Sunderland AFC's Foundation of Light. Early PE lessons are focused on a familiar story book which children then recreate thinking about special themes and ideas including of course, they physical development including throwing and catching, running, jumping, climbing and dancing. Our children are having a fantastic time and really look forward to these sessions. Thank you Jack for your brilliant delivery!



Pre-loved uniform. Please remember that our Richard Avenue Pre-loved Uniform Shop is always available to families. Use this dedicated email address to enquire about specific items of clothing and sizes. If we can help, we always will.

uniform@richardavenue.co.uk



Please also continue to donate any spare uniform that you may have to the team in the main office.

Primary school admissions. The online admissions portal for **primary schools** opens on Monday and will close on 15 January 2024. **If your child's date of birth falls between 01/09/2019 and 31/08/2020, you will need to apply for a reception place for September 2024.** Allocations day is 19 April 2024. The Admissions Handbook and full guidance on how to apply can be found on Sunderland County Councils' website: <https://www.sunderland.gov.uk/schools-admissions-infant-junior-primary>

Attendance of the week. Congratulations to 3M & 4G who are our weekly winners.

Weekly whole school attendance is 96.1%

CLASS	ATTENDANCE %	CLASS	ATTENDANCE %
NURSERY MORN	95.8	3D	92.7
NURSERY AFT	89.3	3M	100.0
RH	95.9	4G	100.0
RG	98.0	4S	96.8
1G	94.6	5B	96.3
1W	97.2	5W	95.9
2CW	97.7	6C	95.5
2W	97.4	6H	92.3



Meeting for families of children new into Reception class. You are invited to join the reception team for the afternoon visit to find out more about how they deliver key learning goals, resources they use, how you might support at home, and of course enjoy a cuppa and chat. The autumn term 's meeting will take place on **Tuesday 17th October from 2.15-3.30pm**, with an opportunity to visit the reception classroom as well as some time with the staff team. We look forward to seeing you then.

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Dear 1G Parents,

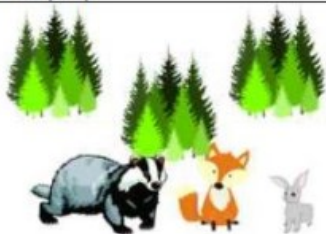
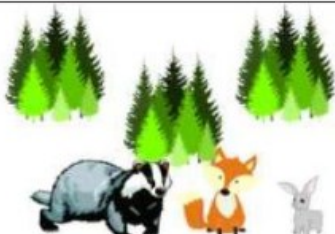
Your child in **1G** will be taking part in our on site Forest School every **Wednesday** afternoon for the next 4 weeks.

Wednesday 11th, 18th October and 1st 8th November

Please send your child into school wearing:

- * outdoor shoes for example old trainers or wellies to change in to
- * old leggings or jogging bottoms
- * a waterproof outdoor coat.
- * usual uniform polo shirt and jumper/cardigan can be worn on top.

Sessions will include building holistic and sustainable life skills in our Forest School. Thank you as always for your support :-)

Physical Education	Science	Personal, Social, Emotional, Health Development
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Balance• Strength• Fine motor skills- tying knots etc.• Gross motor skills- lifting, climbing• Stamina• Coordination• Using tools safely	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Weather• Seasons• Growth and decay• Plants• Animals• Habitats• Senses• Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resilience• Risk taking• Cooperation• Collaboration, team work• Independence• Self esteem• Confidence
Literacy and language	Art and Design	Mathematics
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New Vocabulary• Speaking and listening• Stories• Reference books- information books• Spotter sheets• Role-play	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creativity• Imagination• Joining materials• Musical instruments – natural percussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Measurement• Estimation• Comparison, – sizes• Problem solving• Sorting, ordering
	Religious Education Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awe and wonder• New life• God's wonderful world• God's creatures• Caring for the environment	

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Where and When?

Location: Richard Avenue Primary School,
Hurtswood Road, Sunderland, SR4 7LQ

Enrolment: 4th October 1pm - 3pm
Course Starts: 11th October 1pm - 3pm
(running every Wednesday)

If you are interested please contact: Syeda Khaled
Education and Training officer training@sb-international.org.uk 07934871737

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