



Richard Avenue
Primary School

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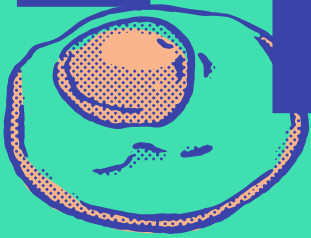
Friday Flyer

SUMMER

Weekly update

Friday 15 May 2026

Join us for **Breakfast**



NO BOOKING

REQUIRED!

If you would like your child to join us, they must arrive between

8.25 and 8.40am,

coming into school

via the small



gate...children from

rec - Y6 welcome!



Available everyday:
weetabix, cornflakes or rice krispies and toast with butter or butter and jam.

Daily hot options:
Monday: beans on toast
Tuesday: crumpets
Wednesday: omelette with hash browns
Thursday: beans on toast
Friday: omelette with hash browns



Weekly Update

RAPS daycare: Breakfast Club from 7.45am & After School Club from 3:30pm-5:15pm

Monday 18 May

Forest school for reception and ARP

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Y4

Celebration Event at Bede Campus for Y6

Tuesday 19 May

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Y3

Science Event for the whole school

Swimming for 5W

Wellbeing workshops for Y4

Wednesday 20 May

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Y1 & Y5

Walkwise for 1W and 1CW

Enterprise workshops for Y5 & Y6

Swimming for 6C

Thursday 21 May

Assembly for reception families from 9.05-9.30am

Athletics at Silksworth for some of Y3&Y4

Athletics at Silksworth for some of Y5&Y6

Friday 22 May

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Y2

Swimming for 3B

Swimming for 4Gr

School closes for the half term holiday @ 3.30/3.35pm

Future dates for your diary

Monday 1 June

School re-opens after summer half term

A message from our Head Teacher

Dear Richard Avenue Families,

With just one week to go until half term, we are making the most of every day at Richard Avenue. Our children have been really focused on their learning and Y6 in particular, have been superstars as they have tried their very best with this week's SATs tests. 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 this important week. The children 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. We hope you enjoy reading this week's flyer. Have a lovely weekend. With very best wishes,

Claire McKinney.

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

Assembly stars

RAPS assembly stars. Last week we celebrated...

PE STARS

N: ARIELLA & HUGHIE

R: ILYAS & ARIWAN

Y1: PRIANNSH & MARYAM

Y2: GOSPEL & ILYAS

Y3: SOPHIA O & YASIR

Y4: ZUBAIR & YASIN

Y5: ISMAIL & ISMAEEL

Y6: TABASSUM & ALESSIA

Well done everyone, you

are all stars!

THIS WEEK'S ASSEMBLIES

This week has been an important time for our Year 6 children who have been completing their SATS and to coincide with this, it has also been a mental health awareness week. Our overall theme has been persistence. We have read stories and discussed the importance of being persistent in order to achieve our goals. Year 6 have certainly demonstrated that this week!

Term Dates

2026-27

TERM DATES 2025/2026

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August 2026						
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School Holidays



Bank Holidays



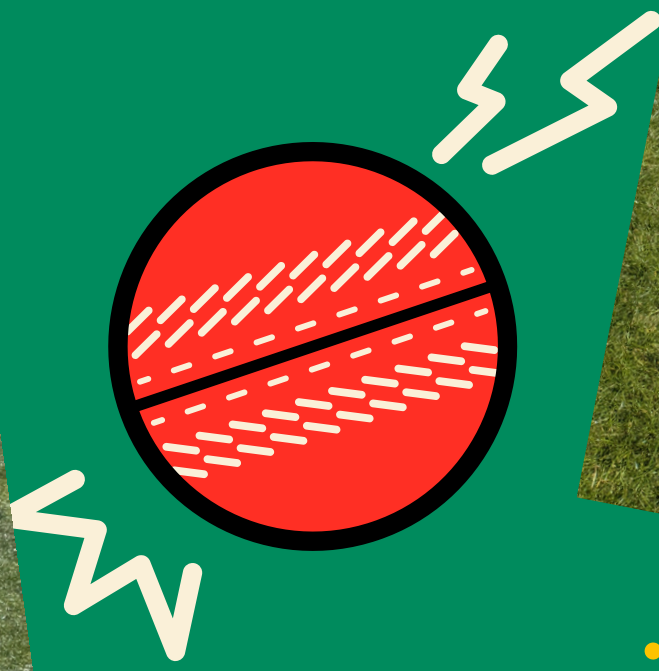
Inset Days

To enable your child to receive the best education we can provide, would parents please book routine dental and doctor appointments outside school hours. Please also remember that holidays are not permitted during school term time.

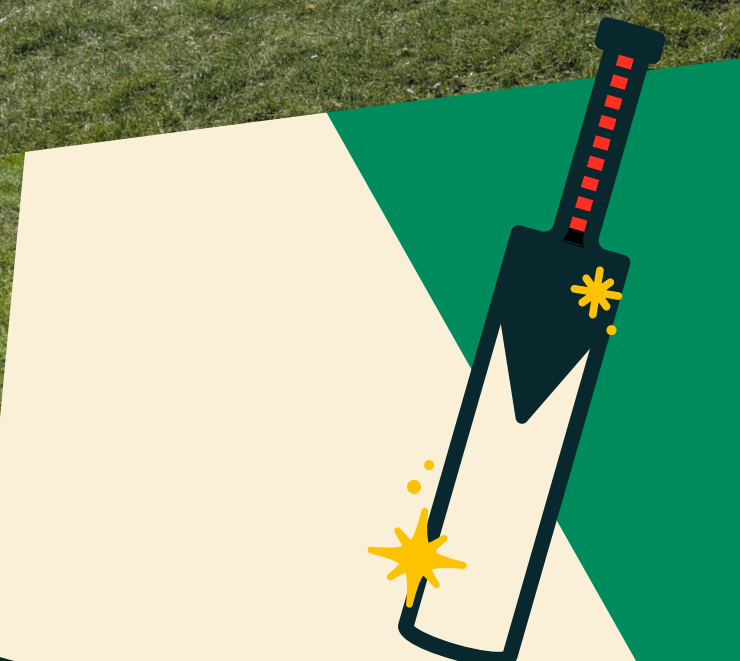
Years 1&5 have thoroughly enjoyed their cricket with Chance to Shine's Elliott...



CRICKET FUN AT RICHARD AVENUE



The adults couldn't leave the children to have all of the fun, and came along to show off their own cricket skills in a special session with Elliott.



Year 4 Learn to Ride



I was scared at first, but, after a while I could do it. It was really fun when I learned. The teachers were really nice and they took me through each step. I didn't learn that many skills, but I learned how to ride.

Amirah 4GO

LET'S GO



Before I met Liam and Ross, I didn't know how to ride. Liam and Ross encouraged me and taught me how to ride. I was wobbly at first, but Ross gave me a few tips. In the end, I knew how to ride and rode with the others.

Mahera 4GR

When I saw the bike, my confidence decreased and I started to panic. They coaches told me to put my head up and go fast. The speed made it easier to ride.

Emmanuel 4GR



Last week a number of Year 5 children had the chance to learn how to safely ride their bikes on the roads. This was all part of the Bikeability programme run by Sunderland City Council. All of the children who took part passed the level 2 course, demonstrating how safe and sensible they could be out on the roads.



For more about safe cycling, please read page 9...



BIKEABILITY CYCLE TRAINING EQUIPS CHILDREN WITH VITAL LIFE SKILLS. PUPILS LEARN TO CYCLE SAFELY, GAIN INDEPENDENCE, FURTHER DEVELOP SOCIAL SKILLS AND IMPROVE THEIR SENSE OF WELLBEING.



YEAR 5

BIKEABILITY



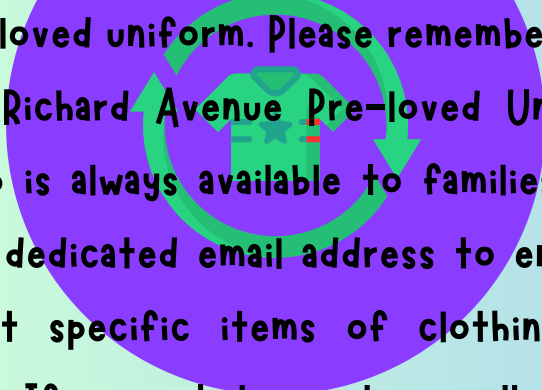
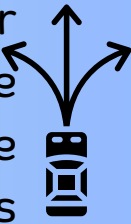
**“ I ENJOYED LEARNING HOW TO BE SAFE OUT NEXT TO THE ROADS AND IT GAVE ME MORE CONFIDENCE ON MY BIKE”
AMELIA IN 5W**



WELCOME

Reception's assembly for families on Thursday 21st May from 9.10am. Please come into school via the main entrance. The assembly will begin shortly after 9am and last for approx. 20 mins. *Reception families very welcome!*

Polite request. Please be considerate when arriving at school by car and be aware that Richard Avenue is not wide enough for families to perform three point turns, especially during our busy drop off and collection time. This creates an even more dangerous situation for our children which we know everyone wants to avoid. We know these periods are challenging and as you know, we are working hard with the council to make more changes, but for the time being, please avoid turning in the road. Many thanks for your continued support in helping to keep all of our children and families safe.



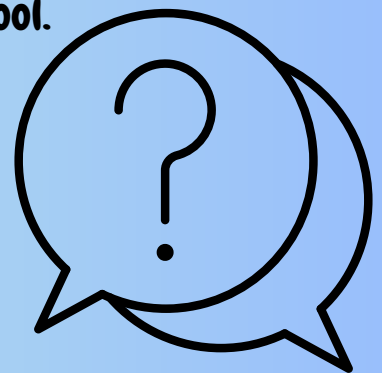
Pre-loved uniform. Please remember that our Richard Avenue Pre-loved Uniform Shop is always available to families. Use this dedicated email address to enquire about specific items of clothing and sizes. If we can help, we always will.

uniform@richardavenue.co.uk

Please also continue to donate any spare uniform that you may have to the team in the main office. **We are currently running low on shorts, trousers and t-shirts for younger children – ages 5/6, 7/8.**

SHOULD I SEND MY CHILD TO SCHOOL?

There are always viruses in circulation. If your child has a minor cough or cold, please send them into school. However, if they have diarrhoea or sickness, they must not return to school until 48 hours after the last bout of sickness. This is the advice of NHS England. Thank you for your continued support getting the children to school.



**Have you ever wondered about Jesus and his disciples?
Do you know their names but don't know who they were?
Do you know there were 12 disciples but not much more?
Do you wonder why the disciples chose to follow Jesus?
Do you wonder what all this has to do with you?**

Well, Messy Church @ St Nic's might be the place for you! At Messy Church, we learn together to find out more about Jesus and how to follow him. We do that through stories 📖, through crafting ✂️, through prayer 🙏 and through sharing time 🕒 and food 🍞🍰 together. EVERYONE is very welcome!!

If this sounds like your cup of tea ☕, then come along THIS SUNDAY 17th May at 3pm. We'd love to see you there 😊



Messy Church at St Nic's

Church for all the family!


with Storytelling, Crafts, Songs, Games, Faith, Prayer and Food



St Nicholas Church,
Dunelm South A690,
Tunstall, Sunderland SR2 7QY

Sundays 3pm-5pm

17 th May	21 st June
19 th July	16 th August
20 th September	18 th October
15 th November	



NCD TRAINING & SKILLS DEVELOPMENT **NE** North East Combined Authority **SBIC**

STEP INTO TEACHING WITH NEW COLLEGE DURHAM

Level 1 Award: Preparing to Work in Schools
 Start your journey into the education sector with this introductory qualification designed to build your confidence and knowledge.
 This course will help you:

- Understand the teaching and learning environment within a school
- Learn how to support the wellbeing and development of children and young people
- Gain insight into key roles and responsibilities in an education setting
- Prepare for further study and training in the sector

On successful completion, learners can progress to:






Level 2 Award: Understanding Safeguarding & Prevent
 This next step will:

- Increase your knowledge of safeguarding responsibilities
- Develop your understanding of the Prevent Duty
- Raise awareness of online safety risks
- Strengthen your understanding of duty of care within education settings

Dates:
 Enrolment session will take place on the 23rd April 10.00am – 1.00pm & the course will run on the 30th April, 7th, 14th and 21st May and 2nd, 4th, 11th and 18th June from 9.30am – 2.30pm

Venue:
 Sunderland Bangladesh Centre, 30 Tatham Street, Hendon, Sunderland, SR1 2QD

WHY NCD?

-  Flexible Learning
-  Fully funded
-  Gain a recognised qualification
-  Fill professional knowledge gaps
-  Boost skills gap

For further information please email training@sb-international.org.uk or call T: 0191 564 0888 | M: 07934871737

Interested in becoming a Teaching Assistant?

Our Level 1 course is the perfect place to begin!

⌚ Limited spaces available — first come, first served!

Don't miss your chance to gain valuable skills and kickstart your career.

👉 Drop me a message today and take the first step!

 Start Your Journey in Education!

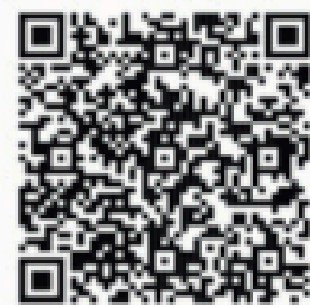


YOUR RELATIONSHIP MATTERS

ONEPLUSONE RELATIONSHIP SUPPORT FOR PARENTS

Arguing Better

Disagreements are a normal part of life. How you approach them can make all the difference to you, your partner and your children. Recognise stress and how to deal with it.



Attendance OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to **6C** who are our weekly top attenders. Weekly whole school attendance is 94.0 %

CLASS	ATTENDANCE %	CLASS	ATTENDANCE %
NURSERY MORN	96.0	3B	92.7
NURSERY AFT	91.9	3M	90.2
RJ	94.4	4GO	95.5
RS	95.8	4GR	94.3
1CW	97.0	5O	97.1
1W	91.9	5W	93.7
2S	89.6	6C	99.6
2W	95.8	6H	95.6

