



ATTENTION

City of Sunderland will again be working on our internet service after half term. This means that school telephones will be offline from 12 noon on Friday 5th June until end of day Monday 8th June.

If you need to contact school during this period, please use the following mobile number:

07851315983



Richard Avenue
Primary School

www.richardavenue.co.uk



Weekly Update

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

Monday 1 June

School re-opens for summer term 2

Forest school for reception and ARP

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Y4
Tennis Coach for Y4

Tuesday 2 June

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Y3
Swimming for 5O
Dental Health talk for Y4

Wednesday 3 June

RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Y1 & Y5
Swimming for 6H

Thursday 4 June

Y6 children are invited to come to school wearing cultural clothing/traditional dress or colours representing your heritage/country
Multiplication Tables check for Y4
Derwent Hill meeting for families from 4pm

Friday 5 June

Cultural Day for nursery - Y5. Children are invited to come to school wearing cultural clothing/traditional dress or colours representing your heritage/country
RAPS PE kit to be worn to school by Y6
Swimming for 3M
Swimming for 4Go

Future dates for your diary

Thursday 18 June

Morning nursery assembly for families from 9:05am

Thursday 2 July

Afternoon nursery assembly for families from 2:45pm

Dear Richard Avenue Families,

The end of another half term at Richard Avenue – where does the time go? It has been a wonderful half term. Your children are such a credit to you; their commitment to their learning has been an absolute joy to see. They are more able to understand and manage their emotions; are physically healthier and fitter; are better communicators, mathematicians, writers, readers, and scientists. They have a greater knowledge of the world around them, of art, music, history, and geography, and continue to improve their understanding of technology and how to use this effectively. Speaking of learning, our wonderful reception children yesterday performed a fabulous assembly for families and friends which included taking their turn with the microphone, singing, butterfly ballet and rave dancing - I know, what super talented children we have, and you have. We all thoroughly enjoyed joining them for what was the most perfect start to a gloomy Thursday. There was great delight on their faces as they presented their assembly to families with HUGE RAPS thanks to everyone who contributed. We know the children loved having you in school, thank you so much, we really value your support. We hope that you are able to spend some time with your children this holiday and that you enjoy every moment. A huge thank you from me to all of the team here. Everyone has worked so hard to make sure your children have the best possible experience. They are an amazing team and I am fortunate to work with them. Thank you all for your continued support and encouragement. School re-starts on Monday 1st June, we'll see you all then.

Let's hope the sun continues to shine 

With very best wishes,

Claire McKinney.

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

THIS WEEK'S ASSEMBLIES

This week we have been considering one of our RAPS Values – Friendship.

We have been thinking about the qualities a good friend would need, and how we can try to be better friends to everyone in school.

Friendships are not always easy, but with time and effort we can develop some excellent relationships with others.

Eid
al Adha

For some of our families, Eid celebrations are coming up during half term. Have a wonderful time!

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

SORRY!

Last week we re-shared 25/26 dates!



TERM DATES 2026/2027

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June 2027						
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August 2027						
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School Holidays



Bank Holidays

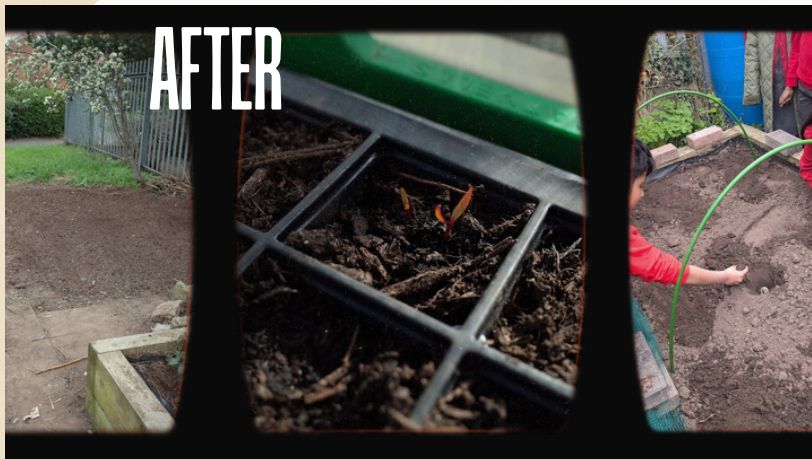


Inset Days

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.

THE SCHOOL

ALLOTMENT



We have exciting allotment news to share with everyone at home. Our wonderfully green-fingered staff, have truly breathed new life into the school allotment. We, along with other green-fingered friends including Mr Williams, Miss Scott and 2S, have cleared many, many weeds, installed a fabulous new green house and have planted all of the raised beds.

A frame has been constructed to protect our crop of peas and beans, and our wonderful Family Worker, Lucy Lavelle, has kindly donated wildflowers, a dwarf sunflower and some Nasturtiums. We're now looking for some lovely planters, if you have any you're not going to use this year. If you do, please let us know :-)

We also loaned our school a push mower, which we will use to mow a path in the middle of the grass. Other plans we have this year include the creation of a seated area of quiet reflection for staff and children to be able to listen to and enjoy the special sounds of nature. We hope to also sew wildflowers to add a rainbow of colour amongst the seats.

It's all been so exciting as you can see from the photographs with **HUGE THANKS** to the staff for their vision and determination to create a beautiful space within our school grounds and to all who have weeded, planted and cared for the allotment and green house. They truly have transformed the allotment area - take a look when you are next in school!



WALKWISE FOR Y1



Y1 HAVE LEARNT HOW TO
CROSS THE ROAD SAFELY -
WELL DONE Y1, THIS IS SO
IMPORTANT



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**BEWARE the Richard
Avenue Parking Buddies
are on duty everyday!**



**NO!
PARKING**

Save the Dates

Save the dates. We will be holding our annual sport and wellbeing activity week again 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 events such as javelin, sprint and our very much loved, now traditional high jump event.

This summer the England men's team will take part in the 23rd FIFA World Cup. In celebration of this, we will be repeating our very successful special football day during sports week meaning we will be again looking for parent participation in a number of parent/staff football matches.

Sport and wellbeing week will be taking place the week beginning 6th July, with more details to follow...meantime, please could we ask you to save these dates:

MONDAY AFTERNOON – 6.7.26: YEARS 5 & 6

TUESDAY AFTERNOON – 7.7.26: AFTERNOON NURSERY AND RECEPTION

WEDNESDAY – 8.7.26: FOOTBALL ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY AFTERNOON – 9.7.26: YEARS 3 & 4

FRIDAY AFTERNOON – 10.7.26: YEARS 1 & 2

MONDAY MORNING – 13.7.26: MORNING NURSERY



Contact details. Ensuring the safety and well-being of our students is our top priority. In the event of an emergency, it is crucial that we hold up-to-date contact information on file for your child. Please ensure that three emergency contact numbers are registered with the school office, which allows for a family member or trusted adult to be reachable during school hours, in case of any unforeseen circumstances.

If there have been any changes to your emergency contact details since the beginning of the school year, please get in touch with the school office staff to update your child's record.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS. OUR AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS WILL TAKE A BREAK TODAY FOR HALF TERM BUT WILL BEGIN AGAIN AS SOON AS WE RETURN, ON MONDAY 1ST JUNE. THANK YOU TO MR OLD AND THE RAPS TEAM FOR THE WONDERFUL JOB THEY DO IN ORGANISING AND LEADING THESE OPPORTUNITIES WHICH WE KNOW THE CHILDREN THOROUGHLY ENJOY.

Attendance OF THE WEEK

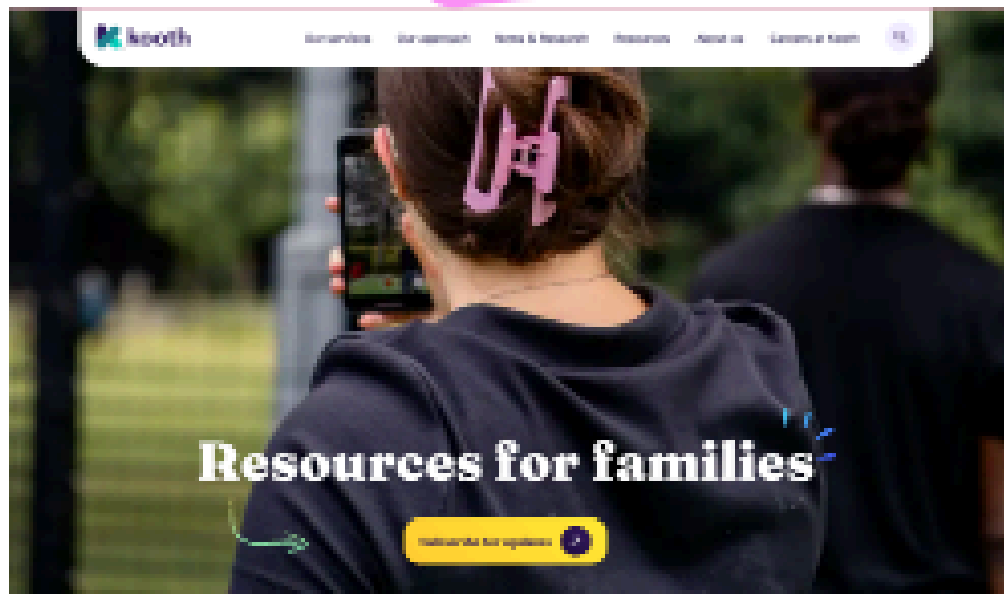
Congratulations to 6H who are our weekly top attenders.

Weekly whole school attendance is 94.47 %

CLASS	ATTENDANCE %	CLASS	ATTENDANCE %
NURSERY MORN	94.7	3B	95.7
NURSERY AFT	93.8	3M	95.1
RJ	92.7	4GO	89.9
RS	94.8	4GR	95.3
1CW	91.4	5O	95.3
1W	98.4	5W	97.3
2S	95.6	6C	94.0
2W	92.7	6H	99.2




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- » Raise awareness of online safety risks
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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

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MAY HALF-TERM

HOLIDAY COURSES

26-29 MAY



THREE DIFFERENT VENUES
FOOTBALL
26-28 MAY



HOLIDAY CLUB
26-28 MAY



WEAR 4 ALL SEND
SPORTS CAMP
26 AND 29 MAY



TODDLER TALES
28 MAY



MINI BAKERS
28 MAY



JUNIOR BAKERS
27 MAY



TODDLER TALES
26 MAY



MINI BAKERS
26 MAY



JUNIOR BAKERS
27 MAY

26-29 MAY

Tues 26 - Thurs 28 May

3 Day Football | Beacon of Light
SR5 1SN | 9.30am-3pm | £50

Tues 26 - Thurs 28 May

3 Day Football | Wellfield School
TS28 5AX | 9.30am-3pm | £45

Thurs 28 - Fri 29 May

2 Day Football | Beamish Centre
DH9 6PZ | 9.30am-3pm | £30

Tues 26 - Thurs 28 May

3 Day Holiday Club | Beacon of Light
SR5 1SN | 9.30am-3pm | £50

Tues 26 May

Toddler Tales | Beacon of Light
SR5 1SN | 10am-12pm | £6

Tues 26 May

Mini Bakers | Beacon of Light
SR5 1SN | 1.30-3.30pm | £15

Tues 26 May

Wear 4 All SEND sports camp
| Beacon of Light SR5 1SN |
10am-3pm | Free

Tues 26 May

1.1 Coaching | Beacon of Light
SR5 1SN | 4-5.30pm | £30

Wed 27 May

Junior Bakers | Beacon of Light
SR5 1SN | 10am - 12pm | £15

Wed 27 May

1.1 Coaching | Beacon of Light
SR5 1SN | 4-5.30pm | £30

Thurs 28 May

1.1 Coaching | Beacon of Light
SR5 1SN | 4-5.30pm | £30



MAY HALF-TERM HOLIDAY COURSES

