



Summer Newsletter

We are rapidly approaching the end of the school year. Children and staff are continuing to work hard to ensure that learning carries on right until the end of the school year. Over the coming weeks, there will be the usual end-of-year activities and celebrations.

Dates for your diaries are as follows;

Monday 27 th June	All day	INSET Day – school closed for children
Wednesday 29 th June	1-3pm	Y6 to Redhill for sports event
Wednesday 6 th July	All day	Redhill Induction day (Y6)
	am	RMPA class swap morning
Friday 8 th July	3:15 – 5:15	Summer Fair
Wednesday 13 th – Saturday 16 th July		Hathersage residential - Y6
Thursday 14 th July	2pm	Parent Makaton Workshop
Monday 18 th July	am	F1 trip to the park
	1:30pm	Y3,4,5,6 Sports Afternoon
Wednesday 20 th July	All day	Colwick Park trip and Sleepover
	9:15am	F1 sports day
	1:30pm	EYFS, Y1 & 2 Sports Afternoon
		Reports to be sent out
Thursday 21 st July	2pm	Y6 leavers show
Friday 22 nd July	pm	EYFS 'festival on the field'
	2pm	Y6 leavers show
	4-6pm	Y6 leavers party
Tuesday 26 th July		Last day of school
Thursday 1 st September		Return to school

GREAT and DART

Every year, our curriculum for children in Year 6 includes 'DARE' or, as it is now called 'DART'. This is special learning around supporting children in their understanding of how to make healthy lifestyle choices including being resilient against peer pressure and understanding the negative effects of alcohol and substance use. This programme is currently taking place, being delivered by Mr Eggleston.

In addition to this, our children in Years 5 and 6 will be taking part in the GREAT project. This is a course that takes place over four sessions with learning about Healthy Relationships. This learning will be delivered by external providers alongside the children's class teachers. If you have any questions that you wish to ask around this learning, please don't hesitate to ask.



Transition

We are currently working hard to organise the class groups for next year. We will be letting you know which class your child will be in and which teacher they will be having in time for a class-swap morning on Wednesday 6th July. As always, your child's current class teacher takes into account a number of important factors to ensure that the children are grouped in a way which is supportive of all needs. Please trust us to make sensible and informed decisions about this.

We are welcoming Miss Barber to our Y3&4 teaching team for next year. Miss Barber will cover for Mrs Taylor who starts her maternity leave at the start of the summer holidays. We look forward to hearing baby news when the new arrival is here and wish Mrs Taylor and her husband all the best.

Summer reading

We will soon be sending out our Robert Mellors 'Recommended Reads List' for each year group. This is a list of books to suit children in the different age groups across school. These are beautiful books which should suit all interests. Children will be given a special award if their new class teacher receives a photo of them reading ones of the books over the holidays in preparation for their new school year.

Year 6 events

As well as transition sessions at the secondary schools, we have the traditional events taking place in school to mark the end of the children's time at RMPA.

The children are preparing an end of year/school show to share with you. There will be two performances taking place and we hope that you will be able to join us for one of them. The performances will take place on Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd July at 2pm.

The Parent Fundraisers are organising a leavers party for the Year 6 children. This will take place at school on Friday 22nd July from 4-6pm. Further information about this event will be shared with you soon.

Uniform

We will be giving all Year 4 children their new school tie towards the end of the year. Please be reminded that children in Year 5 and 6 need button-down shirts which they will wear their ties with in Year 5 and 6.

We will be holding our 'pre-loved' uniform table-top stall over the next few weeks. If you have any uniform which is no longer of use to you that someone else might find useful (including school ties), please pass it on to us to add to our stall.

In addition to this, if you have any secondary school uniform that you no longer need (for our local secondary schools), please feel free to pass it in our direction as we would be able to distribute this as well.

We hope that we will see you at one or more of the events that are planned for the next few weeks.

Best regards

Mrs Essex

