



Raughton Head C of E Primary School
Raughton Head, Carlisle, CA5 7DD
Head teacher Mrs A Dickinson

10th May 2024

Dear parents and carers,

SATS Week

Next week, week commencing 13th May, our Year 6 children will be sitting their SATs. These will commence just after 09:00 and will take place in the hall. Please can year 6 children arrive at school for 08:45 and all other parents try to be punctual to avoid needing access through the front door. Thank you. SATs are something we complete as a statutory requirement and we wish our children every luck in sitting them – by no means is the result in these a true reflection of what fantastic young individuals they are.

Cyber Crime

On the Tuesday 14th May, DC Lee Clark from the Cyber and Digital Crime Unit will be visiting children in Classes 2 & 3 regarding Cyber-crime and what to look out for. We would like to invite any parents who are interested in learning more about this ever-increasing area of concern to join us in school at 3pm when DC Clark will help highlight issues surrounding cyber-crime as well as teach us adults a thing or two on how to stay safe when we complete our online shop!

Local Walk – Class 3

On Thursday 16th May Class 3 will be going on a walk as part of their Geography work. Please can your child/ren bring appropriate footwear that day along with a coat/ sun hat depending on the weather.

Stay & Play Session

We will be holding another Stay & Play session on Friday 17th May at 1:30pm – 3pm.

Tennis – Selected Year 3 & 4 Children

On Monday 20th May selected children from Year 3 & 4 will be going to Chatsworth Tennis Club to take part in a tennis event, they will be travelling by car and will take a packed lunch provided by school. A text will notify the parents of those attending,

Cultural Week, 20 - 24 May 2024

Monday - Poetry day. Children will explore their own heritage and write their own poems, as well as performing a poem by a famous author.

Tuesday - Sculpture and Textiles day. Children will create a sculpture and a piece of textile art to be displayed at an exciting event in school.

Wednesday - Drama day. We have Kathryn Harper, an experienced drama teacher to work with the children on the theme of 'Nature in our local area'.

Thursday - Art day. Children will all create their own canvas self-portrait in the style famous artist from different cultures.

Friday - Photography day. Some of the older children will explore their own and other cultures through photography with an experienced photographer.

Our new Arts group, 'Action for Arts' have been helping to plan this week and would like to request a few things:

1. We are looking for fabric in the colours red, white and blue.
2. We would like to welcome parents/friends into school to talk about their heritage. Please contact Mrs Metcalf if you would like to help. Children are also welcome to share photos and artefacts from other cultures linked to their own families.
3. In order to help your child with the poetry day, please spend time talking with them about your family heritage.

Vets visit

Finally, we have a date agreed to visit Paragon vets with Class 1. This is a follow on from our previous topic, Paws, Claws and Whiskers. The visit will take place on Wednesday, 22 May in the afternoon. We are hoping that those children who can be, will be picked up from Dalston Recreational Area at 15:40 rather than school as we are struggling to book a bus at going home time. Children will walk to the park after their visit and those needed to be back at school for club will return by car and collected after club as normal. Please let School know if you cannot collect from the park, thank you.

D-Day anniversary

On Thursday, 6 June, the UK will commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Normandy Landings on 6 June 1944 with a series of major commemorations and events across the UK and in France. To honour all those involved in the D-

Day landings, National Fish and Chip Day is moving from its traditional Friday slot and will be celebrating on the same day.

At school, with the help of 'The Fryery' we are going to hold our own fish and chip day as well as attend school in something red, white or blue.

The Action for Arts group are also planning an Arts exhibition to showcase the fantastic work the children produce in Art in school. Parents are invited at 10:40am on Thursday 6th June to come and see the work on display. A canvas produced by each child will be available to buy. If any parents are unable to attend the exhibition, there will still be the option to buy the artwork.

Overdue monies

We currently have a number of people with quite large outstanding balances. Please can all outstanding monies be paid to school ASAP in order for our books to balance. Failure to do so may leave us with no option other than to prevent children from accessing the paid provision. Should you believe you are entitled to financial support please check:

<https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/schools-and-education/free-school-meals-and-clothing-vouchers>

<https://www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/schools-and-education/free-school-meals-and-clothing-vouchers>

Alternatively, please contact me at school and we can discuss options.

DIARY DATES

May 2024

13 - Cricket with Fraser Conn

14 – Cyber Crime talk – Class 2 & 3

- Parents talk at 3pm

15 – Forest School – Class 3

17 – Stay & Play Session 1:30-3pm

20 – Cultural Week

- Tennis at Chatsworth Tennis club – Selected year 3 & 4

- Cricket with Fraser Conn

22 – Forest School – Class 3

24 – Break for Half term

June 2024

03 – Back in school

- Cricket with Fraser Conn

06 – D-Day 80th Anniversary – Art Exhibition

10 – Phonics Screening week

- Cricket with Fraser Conn

11 – 14 Residential – Class 3 – Hawse End

17 – Cricket with Fraser Conn

20 – Year 6 Leavers Service at Carlisle Cathedral

24 – Caldew Taster Day – Year 5 Children

25 – Cluster Schools Athletics tournament

28 – Sports Day

July 2024

01 – Moving up Day

- Caldew Taster Day – Year 6 Children

- Cricket with Fraser Conn

03 – Cycle Wise Year 5 & 6

04 – Athletics at the Sheepmount – KS2 children

05 – Cycle Wise Year 5 & 6

12 – Stay & Play session 1:30 – 3pm

- Whole School Sleepover

16 – Talent Show & end of term celebrations 5:30pm

17 – Whole School Activity day at the Sheepmount.

18 – Wheelchair Basketball

19 – Last day of term

Best wishes

Alison Dickinson

Head Teacher