

# Rackheath Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018

It's hard to believe it is the last half term of the year already. As usual we have a very busy end of the year ahead, with lots of exciting curriculum events. This week Year 4 went to How Hill and Year 2 visited the Cathedral.



**Goodbye to Mrs Higgs** – Today we said goodbye to Mrs Higgs who has been with us a SCITT Student in Reception Class since Christmas. Mrs Higgs has done a great job and fully deserves the Outstanding Grade she received at the end of her course. We will miss her and wish her all the best for her first teaching appointment at Arden Grove Infant School.

### Information for Sports Week

We have sporting events taking place over 3 days starting on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June. Details are below:

**Monday 18th June** – Fun Sports Day (9:15am - 11:45am). All children from Reception to Year 6 will compete in teams in a fun sports event. Parents can stay at school from the start of the day and then follow their children round and cheer them on. On this day children should come to school in their PE kit

**Tuesday 19th June** – Reception Sports Day (10:30am - 11:30am). Our youngest children will compete in a special sports day where parents of children at Bombers, who are due to start school in September, are invited to bring their little one to join in with some races too! Parents should arrive from 10.20am.

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June** – Key Stage 2 Sports Day (9:30am - 11:45am) Year 3 to 6 will compete in a series of races in the morning. Parents should arrive from 9:15am.

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June** – Key Stage 1 Sports Day (1:20pm - 2:45pm). Year 1 and 2 will compete in a series of races in the afternoon. Parents should arrive from 1:10pm.

#### **General Information:**

- \* Please ensure children bring plenty to drink and have sun cream and a hat.
- \* Should the British weather intervene in any way we will let you know the reserve date as soon as possible.





**Vacancy to Work at Lunchtime – We are looking to add to our excellent MSA team. Should you, or anyone you know, be interested in working in the school over lunchtime please speak to the office or Mr Cavender for more details.**

**Damage to the Bicycle Shelter** – Unfortunately the cycle shelter was damaged over half term. We are in the process of organising repair; however, this is likely to take a few weeks at least. In the meantime please be careful in the area of the cycle shelter. Should anyone hear or see anyone in the school grounds outside of normal school hours please do call the police.

### **Reception Open Evening**

Next Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> June, we are holding our new parent meeting at 6:30pm. Retro Alley our school uniform suppliers will be in attendance and I am particularly looking forward to the contributions from the Year 6 children attending.



**Retro Alley Pop Up** – Our uniform supplier will be in school next Tuesday afternoon to place orders for next term.

**Swimming** – Year 6 will start their swimming next Thursday and will swim until the end of term with the exception of their Transition Day at Broadland High School.



### **Year 6 Cycling Dates**



**Year 6 had their bike check yesterday. Next week they are carrying out their on-road cycling training in 2 groups across the week. A further letter has gone out with more details about the groups the children are in.**

**Homework Club** - There will be four sessions this term which will be on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> June and 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> July. Please put your child's name down at the office if they wish to attend.

## Year 4 Trip to How Hill

On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018 Year Four went on a school trip to How Hill. We left school at 9:30am and went on a coach; the journey took about 25-30 minute. Once we arrived we took a quick trip to the toilets and put our lunch and bags in a hut. Next we were split into two groups; one group went with Laurence into the woods. It was horrible, there were too many biting bugs to count and they flew around our heads and biting us.

We played a game with a partner. One person closed their eyes while the other guided them to a tree, next they had to hug the tree to feel how wide it was. After that we stood back and looked for the tree we had hugged, this was really difficult. We then had to go and look for the biggest tree that we could find. While we were searching for the biggest tree we spotted a huge nest up high up, and Laurence said it was a squirrel's nest.

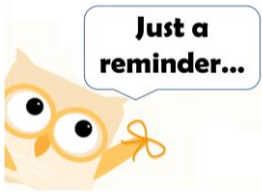
During the visit to How Hill we walked through some beautiful gardens where the plants and trees were from different parts of the world.

Our group then marched to the River Ant where we saw a huge wherry. A wherry is a large boat which once transported peat, this was used for fuel. On the outside the door was tiny but inside the wherry was massive. It had two kitchens, three bedrooms and a piano. There were two couches and they turned into beds. Twelve people could sleep there. It was beautifully decorated inside with Egyptian markings.



By this time we were all very hungry and went back to the hut to eat our lunch. After lunch we went dyke dipping, some of the animals we found were snails, fish, blood worms, leaches, water beetles and water scorpions. We really enjoyed our trip to How Hill it was amazing. We had a brilliant time.

By Alice, Lily, Max and Charlie A



**PE KITS** – As we are getting close to Sports Week please could you ensure that your child has kit (including trainers) in school every day.

**FORS**

**Ice Lolly Fridays** - We will be selling ice-pops and lollies on Fridays after school until the 13<sup>th</sup> July. They will be priced from 20p - 50p.



**100 Club Winners** - Our lucky winners this month were 1<sup>st</sup> (No 15) Louise Dawson, 2<sup>nd</sup> (No 61) Karen O'Hara and 3<sup>rd</sup> (No 73) Laura Brannan.



**Well done to Year 6 who had 98% attendance before half term!**

**Star, Angel and Diamond Certificate Winners** – Well done to the following children who got their certificates in assembly today.

	<b>STAR</b>	<b>ANGEL</b>	<b>DIAMOND</b>
Reception	Olive Campion	George Finch	All of Reception
Year 1	Ralph Moll	Maisie Hunt	Noah Collin
Year 2	Lily Ardagh-Ptolomey	Matilda Purton	Eleanor Royston
Year 3	Liam O'Kane	Callum Mickleburgh	Hanna Rudd
Year 4	Jacob Avery	Molly Burdett	Bethany Dampier
Year 5	Jamie Tye	Keegan Mickleburgh	Isabelle Mann
Year 6	Harry Brown & Jamie Barrett	Niamh Harris	Matthew Dove

Have a lovely weekend!

*Chris Ashman*