

Ravensworth CE Primary School Newsletter



Friday 27th June 2014

Dear all,

Well, it's a sporting edition this week, celebrating the triumphs of our pupils on the pitch! We've had two tournaments since our last newsletter, and done exceptionally well in both.

Firstly the Year 3 and 4 children attended the Swaledale Cricket tournament last Friday. We put forward two teams and both played excellently. We were praised by the organisers as one of the only schools who gave all their pupils a chance to participate, rather than just sending a single team of 8. Everyone had a great time, and one of our teams succeeded in winning the entire competition! Congratulations to all of them for a superb display of skill – maybe there are future cricketing stars in Ravensworth village!



Then, yesterday, we attended a football tournament hosted by Richmond Town Football club. Again, we fielded two teams who both played really well. One of our teams was mainly composed of Year 3 and 4 pupils, who took on Y6 children nearly double their size and really held their own! The other team made it right through to the semi-finals and came third overall. Congratulations to Mackenzie Monteith for outstanding keeping, Benny Cooke and Ethan Dodds for a solid back line, Isma'il Hameed Sharif, Jack Dean and Bailey Proudlock for excellent mid field and striking work (some stonking shots fired into the net!), and to Josh Whitfield for sneaking a goal in with a lovely finish!



We also had a visitor this week as part of our Mantle; Councillor William Heslop came in and received petitions and presentations from the pupils (aka The Raven Planning Company) with regards to the proposed redevelopments on the River Swale. The children presented most professionally, and weighed up economic, environmental and social impacts to persuade the Councillor that their suggestions were viable propositions. Councillor Heslop later commented that the work of the children was outstanding, and it was a pleasure to be involved. Well done to all!



Messy Church – an important update! Please note that, contrary to the 'dates in the diary' on the last newsletter, Messy church next week will take place at 4:30pm in Kirby Hill Church, not, as is usual, straight after school in Ravensworth. The format will otherwise be similar, with activities, crafts, worship and, of course, our delicious meal together. We hope you'll all be able to make it. This also means that we will be able to run *performing arts club* as planned, children can then leave here at 4:15pm and go up to the church with parents etc. should they so wish.

The Messy church team is also on the lookout for some volunteer helpers, perhaps you or a grandparent, auntie or uncle would be willing to help out on occasion? It's a relatively small time commitment and is a lovely way to serve the community and the children. Please email Rev. John (johnmr1953@talk21.com) if you could help.

Deadline for Photographs – please place all orders for photos by Tuesday 1st July. Late orders cannot be processed here, but must be sent to Tempest directly.

Sports Day Lunch – another reminder of deadlines, sorry! Please place any orders for Sports Day picnics by Monday 30th June.

Tour de France – a number of schools in and around Richmond and the dales are closing for all or part of the day on Friday 4th June for the Tour de France. To confirm, we are intending to *remain open*, but please do be aware that the roads that day will be extremely busy. We will be asking the bus company to try to ensure that they get to school at the normal time, but bear in mind that drop off may be slightly later depending on traffic. Similarly, please allow extra time if you are travelling to pick children up, as the county council are predicting huge numbers of vehicles on the road.

Young chefs – we've been approached by the TV production company who produce the Saturday morning show 'The Munch Box' (CiTV) to see if any of our children would like to volunteer to go on the show. They are looking for pupils aged 9-12 who love cooking, can do it on their own and who have the confidence to come into a TV studio with two friends to cook their favourite food in front of the cameras. If you would like further details, please contact guy.lambert@cactustv.co.uk.

Free Cricket Sessions – I've been asked to share with you information about a free 'Introduction to Cricket' coaching session for 6-11 year olds on Sunday 29th June, at Rockliffe Park Cricket Club, 1-4pm. Further details available from the office.

Audit Request – we are still looking for a volunteer who might be able to audit our school fund account, please. This is already balanced and checked by our bursar, but just needs an external sign off.

Dates for the Diary:

Clubs this half term: Tues – Performing Arts, Weds – Archery, Thurs – Multiskills

Monday 30th June – Y6 Activity Day, Richmond School

Tuesday 1st July – Messy Church, 4:30pm, Kirby Hill Church

Tuesday 2nd July – Y6 Leavers' Service, Ripon Cathedral, and trip

Thursday 3rd July – Football Tournament, Brompton on Swale,

Monday 7th July – Sports Day, parents invited from 12pm.

Tuesday 8th July – School Nurse to talk to parents of Y5/6 pupils, 5pm

Thursday 10th July – 'Move up afternoon' and Y6 Induction days

Friday 11th July – School Nurse Puberty Talk Y5/6

And Finally...

I think young Thomas Smith has been doing some free marketing for his dad... he produced the above as his Father's day card! Well... now we know, there's no job too small!

Every blessing,

Rob Campbell

