



THE ROBERT DRAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

MAY 2017

FUNDRAISING NEWS

Disco / Easter Egg

Raffle

*The children's discos were held on **Thursday 30th March**. Thank you to everybody who supported the children's discos on Thursday 30th March. We raised the fantastic total of **£683.76**.*

Adventure Island Tickets

Tickets are still on sale - further details have been circulated. The tickets are valid until December 2017, subject to park opening times.

Non-Uniform / Cake Sale Day

*This will be held on **Thursday 25th May**. Please be reminded that complete football kits cannot be worn and footwear must only be trainers or school shoes. Donations of fruit and cakes would be much appreciated.*

Summer Fayre

*The 2017 Summer Fayre will be held on **Saturday 20th May, 12.00 - 3.00 pm**. Further details will be circulated nearer the time. Volunteers to help on the day will be greatly appreciated!*

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT SESSIONS - SUMMER TERM

The following Parental Involvement sessions will be held during the summer term:

Wednesday 24th May (am) - Years 3 - 6

Monday 26th June (am) - Years 5 and 6

Tuesday 20th June (pm) - EYFS

Parents and carers will be invited into school to work with their children during these sessions. Further details will be circulated nearer the time.

Please note that on **Wednesday 24th May 2017** the first part of the morning will take place in the classes working on a variety of curriculum activities. This will be followed by an E-safety presentation for parents/carers. Lorin Lafave from The Breck Foundation will be speaking to parents about the potential dangers of children and young people going online and the tragic and devastating effects this can have.

As part of the morning we will also be providing parents and carers with information about what the school is doing to raise children's awareness of E-safety and resources to support families.

We would encourage as many parents and carers as possible to attend this morning so that we can continue to work together to keep our children safe.

The morning will start at 9.00am and end at approximately 11:30am.

DELIVERY OF ITEMS FOR PUPILS TO THE OFFICE

The number of parents and carers delivering items for pupils to the office during the school day has increased again. Please could all parents and carers remember to send in with your child everything that he / she needs for the school day. This includes packed lunches, dinner tickets, water bottles, coats and clothing for PE / clubs. This will reduce the number of interruptions that have to be made to the children in class, as they have to come to the office to collect their belongings. On the rare occasion that a delivery has to be made during the day, please ensure that the item is **clearly labelled** as it will be put in a box in the office for your child to collect.

WATER BOTTLES, SUN HATS AND SUN CREAM

Hopefully we will get some fine weather this term. Please could all parents and carers ensure that their child brings a water bottle (with drinking cap) and a sun hat to school each day. **These should be clearly named.** Parents and carers should also

If parents / carers would like to advertise their business in the Summer Fayre brochure, please contact the school office.

Any donations of prizes for the raffle will be greatly received.

GOVERNOR NEWS

Attendance

Attendance for April 2017 was 98.9%.

apply sun cream to their children before school each day, as an additional precaution, in order to protect them from the sun.

SUNGLASSES

Please note that children are only permitted to wear sunglasses at school if medical evidence can be provided to support the need for the glasses (e.g. a letter from the doctor / optician) or if they suffer from hayfever.

ROOTS TO FOOD COOKERY WORKSHOP

All pupils participated in a Roots to Food Cookery Workshop on **Friday 22nd April**. KS2 pupils took part in a 'Ready, Steady Cook' - style activity in the school hall. The teams, led by Mr Chaplin and Mrs Rawling, worked together to create two delicious recipes; Tandoori Spiced Salmon with Pilau Rice and Bombay Saag Aloo and Twice Cooked Parmesan Chicken on a bed of Spring Onion Pasta with a Chunky Tomato and Basil Sauce. The recipes are available on the school's website (www.robertdrake.co.uk).

KS1 took part in workshops to discuss how their favourite foods help us to grow, give energy and keep our bodies healthy. The children then took part in some fitness activities, before creating healthy banana milkshakes to replace the lost energy from the fitness exercises.



VOUCHERS FOR SCHOOLS

The school is collecting Sainsbury's vouchers once again this year. We would be grateful for any vouchers from families and friends. Thank you.

CENSUS DAY THEMED LUNCH

We are holding a special FA Cup Final lunch on **Thursday 18th May**. The cost will be £2.10, as usual, for pupils in Key Stage 2. The menu is as follows:

Cheese Burger / Veggie Burger

Potato Waffles

Baked Beans

Rainbow Coleslaw

Cupcake or Arctic Roll

Milkshake

SPORTS DAY - THURSDAY 8TH JUNE

We are planning to hold Infant and Junior sports on **Thursday 8th June**. Infant Sports will begin at 9.30 am and Junior Sports at 1.30 pm. Please note that both events are weather permitting.

More details about sports day will follow in a separate letter.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

The following class assemblies is due to take place this term:

All Year 5 pupils - **Friday 16th June** at 9.00 am.

Miss Bradfield's class - **Friday 30th June** at 9.00 am.

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - **Friday 21st July** at 9.00 am

All parents and carers of pupils in these classes are most welcome to attend. Tea and coffee will be available afterwards.

EDUCATIONAL VISITS

The following educational visits will take place this term:

Tuesday 16th May EYFS visit to Barleylands

12th — 16th June Y6 trip to Stubbers Adventure Centre

Tuesday 13th June Y5 trip to Sandford Mill

Thursday 22nd June Y 1/2 trip to Tropical Wings

NON-PUPIL DAY REMINDER AND HALF-TERM DATES

Please remember that **Friday 26th May** is a teacher training day and the school will be closed to pupils on this date. This date falls at the beginning of the summer half-term break, which is from **Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June**.

Friday 7th July is also a teacher training day and the school will be closed to pupils.

The Governing Body of The Robert Drake Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.