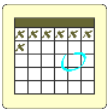




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Primary School
Broadening Horizons

RPS NEWS

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Dates for your Diary

Friday 26th May

Last Day of Term

Monday 5th June

Re-open to Pupils

Thursday 8th June

Yr 5/6 trip to Cadburys World

Friday 9th June

Photographer in school

Wednesday 14th June

Book Fair

Friday 16th June

Special Men in our lives

Wednesday 21st June

Yr 3/4 trip to Sea Life Centre

Saturday 24th June

Summer Fayre & Big Bike Ride Event

Monday 25th June

Sports Day

Thursday 6th July

Kingswood & Lodge Park Transfer Day
Foundation End of Year Celebration

Friday 7th July

Whole School Transfer Day

Monday 10th July

Afternoon Tea for new Foundation children

Thursday 20th July

Last Day of Term

Year 6 Pupils

The whole school is so very proud of our Year 6 pupils. They worked amazingly hard during SATs week. Their behaviour and attitude has been exceptional and they were calm and well prepared every day.

Thank you to everyone who supported them during this stressful time.

Lincoln Castle Trip

On the 25th April, KS1 visited Lincoln Castle as part of our work on castles. The children had the opportunity to walk the along the curtain wall of the castle and were able to see the advantage point those defending the castle had when the castle was under attack.



The children also took part in a royal banquet complete with real food and dancing.

We also got to try on different pieces of armour and even learnt how to use bow and arrows.



Attendance Matters - Important

Reminder

Following the Supreme Court ruling over The Isle of Wight attendance case in the news recently, we want to remind you our school follows NCC guidelines on unauthorised absence including the following key points:

- **A penalty will be issued if children miss 5 unauthorised consecutive school days**
- **A penalty will be issued if children have 5 unauthorised absences in 6 week period(please note, this does not mean authorised absence due to illness)**
- **Penalties are issued per child per parent**
- **Fines not paid will lead to prosecution**

Attendance information

Gates Open 8.45am Gates Close 9.00am

If your child is **unwell**, it is essential that the school is informed **before 9.00am** and **every day** of the absence. Please ring the school office on 01536 203806 as soon as possible. The attendance team checks that all children are in school and will contact the parents of any children who are absent.

It's really important your children maintain good attendance and attend school on time.

Government research shows:

5 minutes	10 minutes	15 minutes	20 minutes	30 minutes
Late every day = 3 school days lost in a year	Late every day = 6.5 school days lost in a year	Late every day = 10 school days lost in a year	Late every day = 13 school days lost in a year	Late every day = 19 school days lost in a year

The Government have set a target of 96% attendance for all children. We need your support to achieve this and provide your children the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Book Fair

We will be holding a book fair in the school hall from Wednesday 14th June to Tuesday 20th June, between 3.05pm and 4.00pm.

It's summertime!

Please remember that even though the summer is here the children **must still wear their school uniforms**.

Don't forget to send your child to school with a sun hat and a water bottle - labelled with their name. It is also a good idea to put sun cream on before they come to school.



Changes of Phone Number or Address

Please remember that if you change your mobile or home phone number or if you have moved house then school needs to know. Just pop into the office and let one of the ladies know. Thank you.



If you do change your number you must verify this with Parentmail to keep receiving texts from us. If you have any problems with Parentmail please download the Parentmail App as this has a support site for parents.

Did You Know?

You can read all our newsletters or find out about any events that are happening on our website at

www.rockinghamprimary.co.uk

St Columba's Church - Activity Afternoon

St Columba's Church on Studfall Avenue are holding an Activity Afternoon for Primary School age children on Thursday 1st June from 2pm to 4pm. There will be crafts, music, games, food and lots of fun!

Parents are welcome to stay and join in or leave their children (in which case they will need a Permission Form, available from Revd Ian Pullinger (ianpullinger@btinternet.com / 01536 400225 / 07903 644609) or on the day). The Activity Afternoon is **FREE** and while booking is not essential it is helpful to know if you plan to be there so again please contact Revd Ian Pullinger (contact details above).

Community Room News

"Craft Workshop" – Parents, carers and their children enjoyed "Quilling". They also enjoyed their own birds of paradise!



Parents/Carers Making "Silver clay jewellery".



Parents/carers and their children had fun making bookmarks and creating spring scenes.



Parents/Children made and decorated their own scented candles.



The Craft workshops continue after the break:

- 13th June "Aeroplane, Rocket & Catapult" fun 1.45-3pm Dads & Lads workshop
- From 15th June-13th July craft workshops- please look in book bags for themes.
- ESOL classes continue each Friday 10.00-12.00 for beginners and 12.30-2.30 for Improvers. This is a free course. We have been lucky enough to secure this course, don't miss this opportunity to improve your English and gain a qualification.
- "Pot it, grow it, Eat it" 6 week course with your child starting on Monday 12th June 1-3pm

If you would like to book a place. Please contact Frances on 07793244111

