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Ratho Primary School

Head Teacher Newsletter: 20th May 2022

Dear Ratho Primary School Community,

We have much planned for the remaining six weeks of term! Planning is still ongoing for several additional events and the below may be subject to change, I will give as much notice as possible if dates/timings change. Please see below for information of what is happening in classes, across the school and other important information of which parents and carers should be aware.

Have a great weekend… Hope to see you at the Flotilla!

Yours sincerely,

Peter Gibb, Head Teacher.

Upcoming Events…

Saturday 21st May	**Flotilla 200 on the Union Canal** – There will be a display of pupil work/art to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Union Canal. A RPS Glee Club performance will take place at approx. 9.30am to help launch the Flotilla! Flotilla 200
Tuesday 24th May	**Tempest School Photographer visit**. She will take sibling and individual photos.
Tuesday 24th - Thursday 26th May	**Parent/Carer phone consultations** will take place each afternoon/evening. Make sure you have booked using links/codes sent to all parents/carers.
Tuesday 24th - Friday 27th May	**P6 Bikeability training** in/around school
Wednesday 26th May	**P7 trip** to Balerno High School Swimming.
Thursday 27th May	**P7 trip** to Edinburgh College.
Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd June	**School closed for Queen's Jubilee Holiday.**
Thursday 9th June	**P1 & P1/2 trip** to Hopeton House.
Friday 10th June	Nursery transition / new P1 parents/carers to attend information session and tour of the school.

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Friday 10th June	**P4, P4/5 & P5 Swimming Lessons** commence at Balerno High School during school time. Lessons take place on all subsequent Fridays: (10/6, 17/6, 24/6, 1/7).
Saturday 11th June	**Ratho Gala Day! All children /families are encouraged to participate!**
Tues 14th- Thursday 16th June	**P7 Transition** days to visit High School.
Monday 20th - Friday 24th June	**Health Week.**
Wednesday 22nd June	**P7** end of session excursion to Edinburgh Dungeons and lunch in Princes Street Gardens.
Thursday 23rd June	**Sports Day – Parents welcome to attend! 1.30pm-3pm**
Friday 24th June	End of Session reports to parents issued by today.
Thursday 30th June	**End of Session Awards Ceremony at Ratho Church (TBC)**, 1.30pm – 2.30pm. **Parents welcome to attend!**
Friday 1st July	**P7 Leavers Assembly in school at 11.00am – P7 parents welcome to attend!**
Last Day of Session. School closes and Summer Holidays begin at **12.00 noon** for all!	

In addition to the above, there will be Union Canal walks and possibly further trips/excursions planned for P3-P6! These are still currently being planned/finalised and details will be communicated ASAP.

Ratho Primary School Glee Club & Flotilla 200

The pupils and staff of the Ratho Primary School Glee Club will be performing to help launch the Ratho leg of the Flotilla 200. They have been practising hard and are looking and sounding great! Well done to them and of course Miss Forrest, Miss Brownlie and Stacy for leading them so well!

We have a 'Flotilla 200' display overlooking the canal and a huge mural on display at the Seagull Trust/Maria. Come and see their work, the Flotilla and enjoy the pupils' performance on Saturday morning (21/5/22) at the Marina around 9.30am.

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Ratho Action Group & The Little Library

The Ratho Action Group (Pupil Council) launched the Little Library this week! It's in the playground opposite the main gate. Pupils can take, swap, borrow, donate and exchange books for free and without the need to check in/out! It has been well received and very popular this week, we are delighted to further encourage reading and a love of books in all our children with this initiative!

The R.A.G. are now onto their next venture… Playground improvements! They are gathering views of all their classmates to get ideas for their proposals!

Eco & Recycling Bins

We launched our new dry-mixed recycling bins this week to help reduce waste and support Edinburgh's climate targets. This new standard system will allow consistency throughout and between each school, using uniform colour schemes, stickers, posters and bin styles.

Well done to Mrs Brown and the Eco Warriors for all that they do to help our school be eco-conscious!

Building Resilience

We launched our Building Resilience Unit this week as last week the Houses all had their first 'House Meetings' since the return of assemblies. Please see our Parent/Carer information leaflet for this term's Building Resilience Unit "Making a Difference'. Click here to view more information about this theme and how you can support this learning at home too.

Reminder: No Nuts in School please

A reminder that we are a nut free school. We have children who have severe nut allergies and therefore no pupils are allowed nuts or snacks/lunches that contain nuts. Please follow this request and help keep everyone safe.

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Many thanks for your continued support of the school… Please contact us via admin@ratho.edin.sch.uk or 0131 333 1293 if you have any queries, concerns or need assistance.

Dates for end of term and session 2022-2023…

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School Closed/Holidays

Teacher In-Service Day (closed for pupils)