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Headteacher's Newsletter – Summer 2

I hope everyone has had a lovely break and managed to enjoy plenty of quality time with family and friends. Last half term at Reignhead was certainly a busy one with Easter Celebrations, sunflower seeds being planted and educational visits to The Deep for our children in KS1, Cresswell Craggs in Year 3/4 and a local visit to Beighton Marshes in Year 5/6. We have lots more events planned for the next few weeks so please make sure that you keep up to date with what is happening via the Reignhead 'OurSchoolsAPP' and by reading any letters your child is sent home with. Our wonderful Year 2 and Year 6 children have now completed their SATS and we were all very impressed with their mature attitude and determination – I'm sure you are as proud of them as we are!

Carole Stafford, Headteacher

Assembly Themes

The theme for our assemblies this half term is 'Change'. I will be talking to children about the many changes we look forward to, but also about those that are unexpected or make us feel apprehensive and how we can manage these feelings. It's important for children to accept change as an inevitable part of life but if your child is concerned about changing class or starting secondary school, then please make us aware of this.

Parent Workshops

A number of our Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 parents recently attended a Phonics Workshop at the school which was run by Sheffield City Council. It was an extremely useful and enjoyable session and took place in Silver Base (the mobile classroom) during the school day - we have asked for more sessions to be made available for Reignhead parents so watch this space for more information!

Healthy Lifestyles

Some of our classrooms get quite warm during the summer months and the children need to drink regularly to keep hydrated. Please make sure your child has their own individual bottle of water in school which is cleaned and refilled daily for hygiene reasons. Please note that the bottle should only contain water, not fruit juice or cordial.

Eco News

As one of the most eco-friendly schools in the city we are proud of the work we do developing our school environment, improving environmental awareness and helping Reignhead children to become responsible global citizens. Miss Hemsley meets our enthusiastic band of Eco-Warriors regularly and together they do a brilliant job organising events. Here are some of our most recent projects:

*We now have a red Clothing Bank on the school site. Please feel free to donate any of your unwanted clothing.

*Our school allotment is looking brilliant at the moment thanks to the hard work of Mrs Matthews, Mrs Flinders and the Gardening Club. New members are very welcome!

*Each child in the school took part in our annual sunflower seed planting with the help of the Beighton Environment Group.

*The Eco-Warriors are busy identifying a '5 minute walk zone' around the school – details to follow!

*The '10 Day Active Challenge' will start on Monday 10th June.

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Early Birds

Thank you to all our Early Birds. Being in school on time each day really does make a difference to everyone as it means children can start their learning promptly without having their lessons interrupted by children arriving late. Earlier this week, our lucky winners enjoyed a visit to Joe's Ices – well done!

Reading at the Heart of the School

*We had a brilliant time dressing up and watching 'The Wizard of Oz' performed by M&M Theatre Productions. The children were absolutely engrossed in the story and I know a number of children went on to read the original book by L. Frank Baum. We have invited the theatre company to visit us again on 2nd October for a performance of 'The Jungle Book.'

*I would also like to congratulate all those children who are steadily working their way through the Reignhead Reading Spine! It has been lovely to see the children avidly reading and talking enthusiastically about their favourite books and authors. I would also like to thank all those parents/carers who are supporting us in promoting a love of reading – it really does make a difference.

*Our 'Take One Book' topic has had a really successful start and we've been impressed with the homework projects which have been brought into school already. The books being studied are 'The Jolly Postman', 'George's Marvellous Medicine', 'Flotsam' and 'Kensuke's Kingdom'.

Building Work

We are delighted with our new classrooms in Key Stage 1! With fewer children in each classroom, there are far fewer distractions and the children can really concentrate on their work. The next stage of our building programme separating the large base in Y3/4 will take place during the summer holidays.

Uniform

We have had a number of children in school recently not wearing their correct uniform; as a school, we recognise the importance of wearing a school uniform in order to promote a sense of pride within the school and a sense of community and belonging. In particular, please note that school jumpers/cardigans are red and that jewellery is not allowed to be worn. Shoes should be plain black.

Important Dates

Monday June 10th to Friday June 14th: Phonics Screening Check

Wednesday June 12th: Y3/4 Work Sharing Assembly (Mrs Barnes)

Tuesday June 18th: New to F2 Parents' Evening

Wednesday June 19th: Y1/2 Work Sharing Assembly (Mr Adlington)

Thursday June 20th: Athletics City Finals

Friday June 21st: Food Drive

Tuesday June 25th: Sports Day and family picnic

Wednesday June 26th: Y5 Work Sharing Assembly (Mrs Dukes and Mrs Bailey)

Monday 1st July: NSPCC in school

Tuesday July 2nd: FS2 visit to Cannon Hall Farm

Wednesday July 3rd: Y1/2 Work Sharing Assembly (Miss Libberton)

Friday July 5th: Sponsored Walk – pm only

Tuesday July 9th: 100% Attendance Award

Wednesday July 10th: Y1/2 Work Sharing Assembly (Miss Wells and Mrs Hodgkinson)

Thursday July 11th: Leavers Disco

Friday July 12th: Leavers Assembly

Friday July 12th: End of Year Reports out today

Tuesday July 16th: Move Up Day – children to meet their new class teachers

Tuesday July 16th: Open Evening 3:30 – 6pm

Wednesday July 17th: FS2 Work Sharing Assembly (Miss Hemsley and Mrs Brown)

Wednesday July 24th: Last day of school

Wednesday September 4th: Back to school

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