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Dear RPPS Families

After a long wait, it seems that summer may just be on its way! I hope you have had a lovely weekend and enjoyed the warmer weather.

Last Friday our Year 1 children dazzled on stage as they treated pupils, staff and their families to a very glamorous Coronation assembly. Many thanks to the staff and children for putting on a great show. It is hard to believe that this group had never performed on stage - their confidence and enthusiasm was infectious as was all of the fun and laughter! Well done Year 1!

Kitchen / School meals update

Great news! Last Friday we received 10 new lunch benches and are now working towards enabling all families (from Year 2-6) to be able to pay for school dinners if they wish to do so. Pupils in Reception and Year 1 are already receiving their offer of a **Universal Primary Free School Meal**. Pupils in Year 2 will start receiving the **UPFSM** offer from June 5th onwards.

The next step for us is to invite you into school to show you how to order meals from your mobile devices. We will be in contact this week with a date for meeting with a team of staff in the school hall. **All** families will be invited to this meeting because **all** meals will need to be ordered through Parentpay in the future as we move over to a completely cashless and contactless system.

Update Family Planner

The Family Planner has been updated due to a date change for the upcoming Reception Assembly. Reception teachers have also communicated this via Schoop and Seesaw. Please click on the following link and see changes in yellow: [FAMILY PLANNER 2022/23 UPDATED](#)

RSE Focus Group Meeting 3

Our RSE focus group will meet on Monday 22nd May at 4pm. The focus for this meeting is 'Strand 2 – Sexual Health and Well-being' which has already been discussed by a larger school group. We will be looking at resources to support teaching this strand of the curriculum.

The RSE focus group is a closed group made up of 12 parents and 4 members of the Senior Leadership Team at Roath Park. If any parents would like to join this group, we currently have two spaces. Please email me if you wish to request to join the group: LFitzgerald@roathparkprm.co.uk

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Year 6 residential - Condover Hall

The final payment for Condover Hall is due by Friday 19th May. Please bring cash or cheque into school office and see Mrs. Lark who will update her records. We are unable to refund deposits or as a booking payment to secure spaces has already been made to Condover Hall.

There is a meeting to discuss chosen activities, kit lists and travel information on Wednesday 24th May at 4.30pm. This is likely to be in Miss James's Year 6 classroom and we will meet at the double gates near 'The Corner'.

Internet Safety – home / school partnership

We have seen a slight rise in e-safety incidents at school. These have been low risk and resolved quickly by school staff. We have informed the relevant parents / carers about these incidents and suggested how to monitor at home. We would really appreciate your support in monitoring your child's use of mobile devices including games consoles, laptops, tablets and phones at home and we will continue to do so in school.

Mrs. Wright has asked me to share the following link with you as a starting place for you to discuss with your children: <https://hwb.gov.wales/keeping-safe-online> We are currently putting e-safety guidance together for families.

Warmer weather

Please ensure that your child wears lighter and cooler clothing through to the end of Summer Term. It is also worth considering applying sun cream and providing a hat when the weather gets really warm. Drink bottles are kept in class are accessible throughout the day.

Help for families*

We have helped many families by offering support in a variety of different ways. Please contact sivens@roathparkprm.co.uk if you wish to discuss what help and support we can offer as a school.

Alternatively, further information and guidance is also available from the Welsh Government website: <https://gov.wales/get-help-cost-living>

Attendance and punctuality*

Where a child does not come to school and we haven't received a call, email or voicemail we will be contacting parents straight away as part of our 'first response' strategy. We urge all parents to contact us if your child is unwell or cannot attend school and we will assist you where we can.

It is also VITAL that you arrive to school on time. Our class registers will be shut at 9.05am meaning that any pupils who arrive after this time will be marked as absent. The benchmark for attendance across the school is 97% which equates to attending school on 189 days out of a possible 195 days.

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School Successes

Rugby: Jake (3K) earnt a medal playing in a rugby tournament recently.

Star on screen: Following auditions in the spring, Daisy (4HT) was selected to feature on a TV advert for Ninja Warrior UK.

Fundraising: Bertie and Yunus (2W) have both approached me with a fabulous idea to raise funds for endangered animals and Children in Need. We will meet again this week to firm up our plans.

A huge well done to each of you for your achievements – we are extremely proud of your efforts in school and outside of school. If I have missed anyone who has **recently** picked up **any** award, certificate or achievement outside of school please contact me with details

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Many thanks for your continued support,

Mr. L Fitzgerald
Headteacher

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