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Dear RPPS Families,

A big thank you for helping to raise a fantastic £548.40 for this year's Children in Need appeal last Friday. Mrs. Richards and the Roath Park Kind Hearts did a brilliant job with planning fun activities throughout the day and organising the raffle prizes.

This is very busy time of year at school so I have included some key dates and important information below. All key events for the school year can be found on the [YEARLY PLANNER 2023/24](#)

Year 5 Assembly - 24.11.2023

On **Friday 24th November** Year 5 will take to the stage to present their learning so far this term. We look forward to welcoming all Year 5 families into the school hall for a **9.30am** start.

Peter Pan at the Sherman Theatre (Y2-Y6) - 28.11.2023

Children from Year 2 through to Year 6 will be visiting the Sherman Theatre on **Tuesday 28th November**. Year 2 will be transported to / from the theatre by coach. All children from Year 3 – Year 6 will be accompanied by our staff to walk to the theatre. If the weather is poor on this day, please ensure your child is wearing a warm coat and they may wish to bring an umbrella.

There are a few children who are not attending the theatre who will remain in school with our team.

We will be back in time for lunch so please continue to order school meals as normal.

Christmas Movie Night (Y2-Y6) - 30.11.2023

An event flyer has been shared on Schoop and will be re-shared over the next few days. Year 2 – Year 6 children are invited to join us for a showing of 'Noelle' on **Thursday 30th November**.

Please could all children be collected as usual and brought to the school hall. We will start the film at 3.45pm and collection will be at the double gates on Pen Y Wain Road (near 'The Corner') at 5.30pm. Entry is £1 and a snack / drink will be provided. We encourage children to bring their water bottles to this event which can be refilled.

Hansel and Gretel at the Sherman Theatre (N-Y1) - 1.12.2023

Children from Nursery through to Year 1 will be visiting the Sherman Theatre on **Friday 1st December**. All children will be transported to / from the theatre by coach.

There are a few children who are not attending the theatre who will remain in school with our team.

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Christmas Concerts (see dates and information below)

Tuesday 5th December at **10am** and **2pm** - **Reception** pupils only
Friday 8th December at **10am** and **2pm** - **Year 1** and **Year 2** pupils only
Tuesday 12th December at **2pm** and **6pm** – **Year 3** and **Year 4** pupils only
Friday 15th December at **10am** and **2pm** – **Nursery AM** and **Nursery PM** pupils only (in Nursery class)
Tuesday 19th December at **2pm** and **6pm** - **Year 5** and **Year 6** pupils only

We will send a letter out next Tuesday 28th November which will detail the process for buying tickets e.g. price and availability. Tickets will be on sale from Wednesday 29th November.

The staff and pupils put a huge amount of effort into ensuring that the Christmas Concerts are great shows for all families to enjoy. Your child's attendance at these events is crucial to its success – **every child matters**.

Universal Primary Free School Meals (UPFSM) rollout

The rollout of UPFSM has continued earlier this week with Year 4 receiving school meals. This has, again, been very successful and we thank Year 4 families for ordering their child's meal online through the ParentPay website.

We recommend looking at the menu with your child over the weekend and ordering a week's worth of meals together for the following week.

School trips, experiences and visits

You may have noticed that the number of experiences and trips across the school is increasing. We are doing our very best to ensure the trips are; financially viable for all families and impactful in terms of learning.

Our school minibuses will be used for local trips which will assist in keeping costs low. We ask families to contribute a small amount for local trips to cover fuel costs. Please let us know if this is not achievable and we will help out where possible.

Attendance and punctuality*

The winter months are drawing in quickly and we have a number of children who have picked up seasonal colds and other illnesses. Please notify the school office if your child is unwell.

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The number of children arriving to school later than 9.05am has also increased. Any arrivals after 9.05am are marked as late. A few lost learning minutes each day negatively impacts on your child's attainment.

School building update

You may have noticed that a public notice has been fixed to a lamppost on Pen-Y-Wain Road detailing the planning details for repairing the façade, roof, windows and boundary walls at our school.

The planning application reference is **23/02277/LBC** and the proposal can be viewed via Cardiff Council's website (click on 'view, track and comment' and input the reference number above)
Click here for access: [Cardiff Council - View and Track Planning Applications](#)

Requesting holiday leave

Requests for holiday leave should be made to me via email. Please include the following details; purpose of visit, location of visit, dates of visit. My email address is LFitzgerald@roathparkprm.co.uk

Where Roath Park Primary and Cardiff Council do not know the whereabouts of your child, we will investigate. Cardiff Council regulations state that if the pupil is absent for over **20 school days** and hasn't returned from their holiday and is not back in school on day 21 then the regulations permit schools to remove the child from their register.

School successes

Gymnastics: Sophia (Year 1) has achieved her Level 2 award for Gymnastics.

Art: Martha and Fran (Year 6) won certificates for their artwork being published in the 'Perfect Pets' book.

Swimming: Sam (Year 6) achieved swimmer of the month at Eastern Leisure Centre.

Football: Sam (Year 5) won player of the match during a recent football game.

Cheerleading: Martha (Year 5) was filmed on the One Show picking up an award for cheerleading.

Dance: Zoe (Year 6) was part of a team who achieved 1st place at the WDO dance competition.

Tennis: Melody (Year 6) won player of the year at Mackintosh Tennis Club.

Islamic School: Raqi, Fatima and Ilyanah (Year 5) all recently passed reading exams at their mosques.

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Piano: Jason (Year 5) received a Merit in his Grade 1 piano exam.

Tae Kwon Do: Samantha (Year 5) was awarded a silver medal at the UK Open Tae Kwon Do competition.

A huge well done to each of you for your fantastic achievements – we are extremely proud of your efforts in school and outside of school. If I have missed anyone who has recently picked up an 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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