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Dear RPPS Families,

We seem to be motoring through this half-term at school. All staff and pupils have been extremely busy with projects and topics in class. I'm lucky to visit many classes throughout the week and I can assure you that the quality of what's going on across the school is nothing short of outstanding.

We have May Day Bank Holiday the other side of this weekend. I wish you a safe journey if you are travelling over the weekend. We will see you back at school at the normal time of 8.55am on Tuesday 7th May.

Yearly Planner 2023-24

Please ensure that you are checking the Yearly Planner throughout this term. All key events and information can be found here: [YEARLY PLANNER 2023-24](#)

Roath Cycleway – Pen-Y-Wain Place

The principle contractor (Knights Brown) carrying out work on the Roath Cycleway has contacted us to state that due to changes in the footpath design, work has temporarily paused in Pen-Y-Wain Place. This is a relief as the recent works undertaken to change the footpath outside the Nursery entrance were extremely disruptive and unsafe. I fed this back to the management team at Knights Brown and our local councillors before the Easter holiday break.

Increased traffic / dangerous parking around school site

Temporary traffic lights have been installed on Ninian Road which has meant that more cars are using the side streets (Boverton Street, Hendy Street and Werfa Street) to cut out traffic. This is posing more issues for us as the number of cars travelling along Pen-Y-Wain Road has increased.

We have also noticed an increase in double parking and believe this is due to less parking being available on Ninian Road and Alder Road. We want to remind parents / carers that it is illegal to double park and this causes greater risk for pedestrians who are trying to cross roads and access the school site safely. It is everyone's responsibility to look after our learning community.

Reception, Year 2 and Year 4's 'Fabulous Finish'

A big thanks to families who came into school for Reception's 'Chocolate Showstopper', Year 2's 'Expedition Showcase' and Year 4's 'Gallery Exhibition'. The children designed and created everything from the leaflets / menus, models and artwork, banners and price charts. This was part of an ongoing enterprise project we are running across the school. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!

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Friends of Roath Park Primary School

Quiz night: This was a really brilliant night and we wish to say a huge thanks to Yvonne, Shaun, Roxanne, Linda and Mark for organising and leading the fun! Congratulations to this year's winners and thanks to those who came along and raised money for the Friends of RPPS / school.

Summer Fayre: This year's Summer Fayre will be on **Thursday 11th July** – please save the date. If you would like to get involved, please email the FRRPS. The start time for this event will be **3pm**.

More information will be shared soon. Please email pta@roathparkprm.co.uk if you have any ideas or queries.

School meals

All Year 6 pupils will receive a Universal Primary Free School Meal from **3rd June** onwards. We will be in touch with Year 6 families to provide guidance for how to order a meal very soon.

Thanks to those families who are ordering meals in advance. When a meal is not ordered, it causes huge disruption to the school kitchen because we do not know how much food to cook.

Families should order all meals for the coming week over the weekend. Ideally, the children would also know what has been ordered for them.

Upcoming trips / visits

Tuesday 16th May – Year 2 at Cosmeston Lakes

Tuesday 21st May – Year 6 Cricket Tournament at Talybont (Cardiff Met)

Please check Class Newsletters (on Schoop) for other information about activities, trips / visits and experiences.

School successes

Swimming: Hamza (Year 3) took a part in a swimathon at Cardiff Met and swam 500m. This was part of the 'Learn to swim' Wales framework. Hamza has now moved up to Wave 4.

Rugby: Tomisin (Year 3) played in and won a rugby tournament for Llanishen Lions at Pentyrch rugby club.

Stars on stage: Tom and Gruff (Year 4), Eden, Enid, Cara, Meredith, Lucie, Nancy and Clemmy (Year 3) all starred in Kinetic Theatre's performance of Annie on Saturday 20th April.

Dance: Zoe, Martha, Josie (Year 6) and Lily (Year 4) performed in the Popstars Dance School show at the Paget Rooms in Penarth. Lily also won dancer of the week.

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Basketball: Gabriel (Year 3) was awarded a certificate by Tribal Basketball for skill development.

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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