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Dear RPPS Families,

Last week our Year 1 classes went on a trip to Barry Island whilst Year 2 and Year 5 enjoyed a visit from the local Fire Service. Year 6 pupils took part in various transition events at their chosen secondary schools from September 2025, and all children and staff took part in a 'Moving-Up morning' transition event last Friday. It's safe to say that we've been very busy and it stays this way for the final three weeks of this school year.

I have included upcoming events and information in this week's newsletter. Please also take time to read weekly Class Newsletters shared on SeeSaw and Schoop.

#### Upcoming events – as shown

##### **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June:**

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July:** Year 3 'Global Gourmet' Day, New Reception Parents Meeting (9.30am and 1.30pm)

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July:** Smoothie Bike

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July:** Year 6 Leavers' Bowling Trip

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July:** Year 6 'Across The Pond' celebration event

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July:** Moving-Up morning (2/2), Annual Report to Parents (4pm), New Nursery Parents Meeting (10am)

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July:** Year 3 Summer Reading Challenge Author event at Penylan Library

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July:** Year 2 (Mrs Wright) visiting Porthkerry Park

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July:** Cathays Transition Day for Year 6 pupils, '100% Attendance Club' trip to Joe's Ice Cream (1/2)

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July:** Rocksteady Summer Concert (9.30am), Year 5 and Year 6 Enterprise Event (2pm)

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July:** Start of '130 Years of RPPS' Celebration Week – flyer and letter on Schoop

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July:** Year 4 cinema trip (9am), 130 Years Celebration (PM and after school)

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July:** Talent Shows during school day

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July:** Year 6 Leavers Evening (4.30pm – 7.30pm)

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July:** Last day of 2024-25 school year

#### Sports Morning events

Thank you for coming out to support all of our superstars during both Sports Morning events. Pupils from Year 3 – Year 6 competed and represented the school brilliantly at Cardiff Met whilst our younger children (Reception – Year 2) were assisted by our Year 6 sports leaders to have lots of fun and show off their throwing, running and jumping skills at Roath Recreation Ground.

Miss Owen organised both events and I'd like to say a huge thanks to her for putting on two great shows!

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### **Roath Park Kind Hearts - Charity Table Top Sale**

This event saw us raise a fantastic £1,614.28 to be shared between Tenovus Cancer Care and Roath Park Primary School. We will use the funds to improve our outdoor areas with more plants and furniture.

We'd like to say a huge thank you to Mrs. Richards, our 'Roath Park Kind Hearts' and Teaching Assistants for setting up and running the stalls.

### **'130 Years of RPPS' Celebration**

During the final week of this Summer Term we will be celebrating '130 Years of Roath Park Primary School'. Please find a timetable of events here: [130 Years of RPPS - Timetable](#)

Cardiff Council have confirmed the closure of Pen-Y-Wain Road on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July so please consider this when collecting your children at 3.30pm. Further information will be shared this week.

### **End of year gifts for staff**

Some families have mentioned to me that they would like to get a gift for their child's Teacher. Whilst this is greatly appreciated, it is not essential and we do not expect families to buy gifts for staff.

### **"100% Attendance Club"**

Next week we will be treating all children who have achieved 100% attendance during the school year to an ice cream from Joe's on Wellfield Road. Ms Marker and I are really looking forward to celebrating with our 100% Club!

### **ParentPay – school meals and trips**

**School meals:** ParentPay is our only way of ensuring your child gets the school meal you have ordered. If you do not order through ParentPay then your child may not get the meal they want. When families do not order, it increases the risk of not having enough food for the other children too as our cooks do not know how many meals are required.

**School trips:** Please provide consent and payment for trips and experiences through ParentPay.

### **Attendance and punctuality**

Attendance across the school is very good for this point in the year – we have reached pre-Covid levels and want to keep moving in the right direction. The benchmark for attendance across the school is 97% which equates to attending school on 189 days out of a possible 195 days.

We are experiencing repeated patterns of lateness by a group of pupils. As explained before, when your child is late it causes disruption for staff in classes to stop what they are doing and collect children from the school gate and your child misses learning time. Schools starts at 8.55am and finishes at 3.30pm.

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#### School successes

**Gymnastics:** Sophia (Year 2) and Emily (Reception) recently performed in a gymnastics competition. Sophia came 1st in trampoline, 2nd in floor routine, 6th in vault and 3rd overall. Emily came 1st in trampoline, 5th in floor routine and 5th overall.

**Swimming:** Micky (Year 3) and Franky (Year 1) both received medals for swimming 10 metres and 5 metres.

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 [LFitzgerald@roathparkprm.co.uk](mailto:LFitzgerald@roathparkprm.co.uk)

Many thanks for your continued support,  
Mr. L Fitzgerald

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