

# Risca Primary School

## Summer Term Newsletter No 3

Friday 23rd June 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

Not long to go now to the Summer holidays. Things always get busier for us at the end of the Summer term as we have so many exciting things to fit in. We are looking forward to some very exciting upcoming weeks, such as Healthy Week and Risca University Week. More of that to follow.

### **Risca University Week - Monday 3rd July**

As you know, it is a tradition of ours to end the summer term with a range of lovely activities for the children. This year once again we will be having a Risca University Week, where all children are given the opportunity to have a week in 'University' completing a University course. This year we have a range of fabulous opportunities for the children. Our children have now made their choices, and will be informed of their University Course in due course. Whilst we try to ensure that children have their first choices, we cannot guarantee this, as it is important that we have well balanced classes. However, all children have successfully secured a spot on their first, second or third choice. Please be aware that we are unable to make changes to our classes, as they are very finely balanced and we are keen to ensure that all children have equal opportunities to participate in classes. Many thanks.

### **Healthy Week - Monday 10th July**

Towards the end of term we will also be holding a Healthy Week where we teach the children all of the essential elements of being healthy, including exercise and nutrition. We will combine those with our Sports Day which will be held on Thursday 13th July. Sports day will be held on the Baths Field. Our morning sessions will start at approximately 9.30 and our afternoon session will start at approximately 1.20pm. We

will have a designated area for parents to observe from, and we kindly ask that all parents stay in the designated areas. Firstly it is important that we keep children safe during the day, and therefore it is important that we keep adults and children separate, and secondly it is our experience that children (especially our younger children) can become distressed when they see their parents and want to go home. We all want to have a lovely day, and I would be grateful if you could work with us to ensure that our day goes as smoothly as possible for everyone.

### **New Parents Meeting**

We will be holding a meeting for new pupils to our school on Tuesday 27th June. The meeting is intended for parents of pupils who next year will be in our Nursery, Reception and year 3 classes. We also welcome the parents of our current Year 2 pupils, should parents wish to have a refresher meeting, and should they wish to view our Year 3 classrooms. The meeting will be held at 5.00 pm in our school hall. On the day you will have the opportunity to meet your child's new teacher and see your child's new classroom. We will also chat to you about school routines and expectations to support your child to settle in in September.

### **Moving Up Day**

On June 29th we will be having our moving up day, where all children will be able to meet their new teacher. Please be aware that pupils will not know their class until the actual moving up day. On the morning of the 29th we will meet and greet all pupils in their current class and move them up to their new teacher.

On this day our year 6 pupils will be attending their new secondary schools.

Arrangements for this will be shared with them by their chosen comprehensive school. Many thanks.

### **Campus Cymraeg - Silver Award**

Next term we will be working hard towards obtaining our Campus Cymraeg Silver Award. Many thanks to our Welsh team who are working hard to get the evidence together for this award. I know that they are also planning some lovely additional activities for the children to enhance our Welsh Curriculum and promote the Welsh language.

## **Suncream**

Can I please give another reminder about applying suncream to your child before school, now that as the sun is shining, . We would recommend factor 50, once a day cream to ensure that your child is fully protected from the sun. We would also recommend that pupils wear a sun hat, and if necessary a light long sleeved item of clothing which may be worn on the yard. We do not have staff available to supervise pupils applying suncream or apply suncream for pupils, and therefore all suncream must be applied before the start of the school day. Many thanks for your understanding.

Kind regards,

Mrs Arthur and Staff

## **Dates for the Diary**

### **June**

Monday 19th-30th June - Test window

Tuesday 27th June - Meeting for new parents 5pm

Thursday 29th June - Moving up day for all classes

### **July**

Monday 3rd July - University week

Monday 10th July - Healthy week

Thursday 13th July - Sports day

Monday 17th July - Year 6 Leavers Concert 6pm

Tuesday 18th July - Year 6 Leavers Festival (in school time)

Wednesday 19th July - School finishes for the Summer holiday at 1.30pm

Thursday 20th July - Training day - school closed to pupils

Friday 21st July - Training day- school closed to pupils

### **September**

Friday 1st September - Training Day

Monday 4th September - School re-opens for Autumn Term