



Newsletter 10th June 2022

Dates for Your Diary

P5 Trip to Leisureland, Redcastle	Tuesday 14 th June
Leavers' lunch with parents	Wednesday 15 th June
IFA Festival of Sports Day – Ryan Mullan	Thursday 16 th June
Sports Day	Tuesday 21 st June
Primary 7 Leavers' Fun Afternoon	Thursday 23 rd June
Prize-giving & Leavers' Assembly - Primary 7	Tuesday 28 th June

Sun Safety

Please remember to send some sunscreen and hats with your children. They are outdoors more often and need this protection, even on cloudy days. Thank you.



Mathletics

The Mathletics prizewinners winners for **May** are: **Harry Nixon P1S, Alex Mitchell P2C, Connie Hegarty P2H, AJ Laughlin P3C, Aoife McGrinder P4L, Patrick Colhoun P5K, Harry Donaldson P7McG and Rhys Forbes P7C.**

Our **GOLD** Mathletics winners are: **Tilly Kildea-Doherty P2H, Khal Rushe P2C, Noah Spratt P3C, Casey McAnenny P4L, Gracey Hamilton and Alex Patterson P5K, Joe McHugh and Riley Catterson P6C, Michelle McNamee, Auguste Sileryte and Ruby Browne P7C.** What a lot of achievers; we are super proud of you, well done everyone.



Rights Respecting Schools Award

We were delighted to achieve SILVER on our Rights Respecting Schools journey on Wednesday. The aim is to achieve GOLD and become a fully-fledged Rights Respecting School. We achieved BRONZE in 2019 and the plan was to put the school forward for the SILVER Assessment the following year; the pandemic stalled our plans. So Mrs Sproule deserves huge congratulations to have led us to SILVER during a very disrupted year. Two things really helped our achievement. 1. The ambassadors wearing their t-shirts round the school regularly; and 2. The ambassadors going round every class each month to tell the pupils and staff the Right of the Month as well as explain what it meant. So, our ambassadors – **Jodi, Robert, Amirah and Naomi** deserve special praise for their year's work supporting Mrs Sproule.

Sponsor a Sunflower – Fundraising for Ukraine



We would like to offer our sincere thanks to everyone who supported our Ukrainian appeal 'Sponsor a sunflower'. As always, the parents, friends, families and wider community of SMPS have championed this very worthwhile cause raising an amazing **£1102** which will be donated on our behalf.





Sports Day

Tuesday 21st June

(weather permitting)



We are all hoping for good weather for P1 – P7 Sport's Day. Events will begin at 9.15am.

Break will be at 10.30am approximately, when the children will return to their classrooms for the normal snack and parents may purchase tea/coffee at the Youth Wing, courtesy of the PTFA. Proceeds will go to school funds.

There will be an ice cream van at the school.

REMINDER

The following are the outcomes of our Risk Assessment and these are subject to change if required.

Parents may attend Sports Day;

There is an expectation that adults attending are fully vaccinated (it is not the school staff's responsibility to verify this);

Maintaining social distancing and mask wearing are the responsibility of the adult visitors attending;

If you have any symptoms of Covid-19 or are within 48 hours of a tummy bug episode, *Please Do Not Attend*;

Heather and her team in the school kitchen will provide chips and a burger for those who wish to purchase these;

Photography or filming of races is **PROHIBITED**. Only staff may take photographs. A parent may take a photograph of their own child, or a group if they have permission from parents.

The school takes no responsibility for issues arising from group photographs;

We respectfully ask visiting adults to remain outdoors unless purchasing food in the canteen or Youth Wing;

Children go home with their parents at the end of the event. **It is important that you let your child's teacher know that you are leaving to ensure their safety.**



Platinum Jubilee Commemorative Book

Every primary school child across the UK was gifted a hardback book to commemorate Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee. This is a once in a lifetime event and the book contains a mini history of events and developments over the seventy years since 1952.