



Rowlands Gill Primary School

Newsletter 18/03/22

Parents' Evenings

Over the next two weeks, we will be holding our Spring Term parents' evenings. If you have not yet booked an appointment via eSchools, please do so as soon as possible to speak to your child's teacher. Parents who have been offered pre-arranged appointments with their child's class teacher and Mr Boddy, do not need to book via eSchools. If you are unable to access your eSchools please follow this link for instructions: <https://rowlandsgillprimary.org/eschools-guidance/>

Online Safety Session

Thank you to all of the parents and carers that attended our online safety session with our safeguarding partners Clennell. In the coming week, we will be sharing links and a document from the session for any of our parents who didn't manage to make it this time.

Annual Egg Decorating Competition

This year our egg decorating competition will be on the week beginning 4th April. Please start discussing design ideas with your child(ren) and gather any specific items for your child's design which you can send into school in that week.



The Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

On the afternoon of Friday 27th May, we will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, as she becomes the first British monarch to celebrate seventy years of service on the throne.

This day has been organised by the school council, who have taken suggestions from their peers and have worked collaboratively to organise this special event. As part of this celebration, the children can come into school wearing red, white and/or blue and we will also be having a special picnic lunch.

You can order your picnic lunch on Pay360 from Monday 28th March at 8am and the deadline is Friday 6th April, to ensure the kitchen have enough notice. After our picnic, there will be a range of crafts and activities, alongside a traditional garden party, with music from the 1950s, when Her Majesty acceded to the throne. We hope the sun is shining for this special afternoon!

Early Years Need Your Help

We are working hard to develop and improve our outside areas; however, we need your help! If you have any of the following items you no longer require, please send them into school, we would greatly appreciate it.

- Logs (Slices and stumps)
- Guttering pipes
- Milk / bread trays
- Rope
- Bungee cords
- Wooden spoons
- Bags of compost



Dates for Your Diary:

- w/b 21st March**—Parents evenings
- 22nd March**—Creative sports festival Gateshead Leisure Centre
- 23rd March**— Y3 Thorp Sports Festival
- W/B 28th March**—Parents evenings
- 28th March**—Y5 finishing Bikeability Training
- 30th March**—Y1 Thorp Sports Festival
- w/b 4th April**— bring materials for egg decorating
- 8th April**—Last day of term

Attendance

We wanted to remind parents about the importance of all children attending school regularly. We do appreciate that children often have minor aches, pains and 'off days', but we are very good at supporting children when they feel like this. Often we find, such feelings or minor complaints pass once they are in school and enjoying their day. Where a child is feeling unwell, is not fit for school or has covid symptoms; we would always support keeping them at home. Whenever possible your child needs to be in school.

Thank you for your support and understanding in this matter.

Friends of Rowlands Gill School

We are delighted to announce 'Break the Rules Day' is back ! We know the children loved this last year and so " Monday Mayhem" will be taking place on Monday 4th April, with more details to follow.

Thank you to everyone who uses our rag bag bin which was emptied last week and will provide another welcome donation to our fundraising. Don't forget to use our easy fundraising link when shopping online which enables FORGPS to receive donations at no extra cost to you.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>

Two HUGE Thank You's

Lintzford Hall Garden Centre

For Science Week our classes have been experimenting and investigating how to grow the tallest Sunflowers. We were donated a big selection of; plant pots, compost, soils and fertilisers by Lintzford Hall Garden Centre that have been used across school. Keep looking at our Newsletters to see which class manages to grow the biggest Sunflower!

Lintz Hall Farm Eggs

With Easter fast approaching, preparations have begun for our annual egg decorating competition. Lintz Hall Farm have kindly donated all of the eggs that we will need for all of our children to compete.



Extra Jubilee Day

As the celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee are during the school holidays, schools have been given an extra holiday date to celebrate. Our Local Authority have chosen this day to be **Friday 1st July** and school will be closed to all pupils and staff. Please note that our occasional day is **Monday 27th June** (the same week), making it a 3 day week!



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