Rowlands Gill
Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Coronation Celebration

On **Friday, 5th May**, we will be celebrating the King's Coronation with different activities across the school day. This day has been organised by the School Council, Miss Smales and Miss Brown. As part of the celebration children **can wear red, white and/or blue** clothing for the day – they don't need to wear their school uniform.

For lunch, the kitchen have created a special menu to mark the Coronation. Details of the menu are attached at the end of the letter. So that the kitchen can place their food order we need to know how many children would like to have the special lunch **before Tuesday, 25th April at 4pm**. Please click here to complete a very short form to indicate your child's lunch option for Friday, 5th May. Even if your child will be having packed lunch, please complete this form.

Parents are invited into school to join in our celebrations. Each phase has a one-hour timeslot for parents to attend. During this hour there will be a range of outdoor activities to enjoy with your child, related to the Royal family and the Coronation. One of the activities is planting, to develop the outdoor area of school – something which the King is passionate about. If you have more than one child in school you can attend one, or all sessions that apply to your family. However, we can't bring children from different classes into their sibling's session because they will be involved in other activities.

The timings for parents are:

Nursery & Reception	**9.15am – 10.15am**
Year 1, Year 2	**10.15am – 11.15am**
Year 3, Year 4 and Class 7B	**1pm – 2pm**
Year 5, Year 6	**2pm – 3pm**

Parents should arrive at the side gate which leads to Key Stage 1 Yard (where the hall is) for the start of their slot. A member of staff will meet parents there and direct them to the activity area. Please note the back gate (which leads to the bungalows) will not be available for use during the day. Anyone arriving late will need to enter via the main office, as the gates will be locked as soon as all parents have entered. If parents are not able to attend, please don't worry as there will be plenty of school staff involved in this event too. There will be no photography permitted by parents while on-site and mobile phones must be turned off.

Please ensure you park with consideration for the residents when attending this event.

When the children are not working with parents, they will be learning more about why the Coronation is important to our country and exploring our British Values. They will also have a session at Forest School with Mrs Poad with activities linked to the Royal celebration and cooking on the campfire.

Please remember when selecting red, white and blue clothes, that the children will be at Forest School and taking part in a planting activity during our Coronation Celebration Day so may well get dirty. They must also be wearing appropriate footwear for Forest School.

The school day will end at normal time and there will be no option to take children or siblings home early, as there will still be lots of fun to be had around the outdoor events. As this event is likely to be outdoors, please ensure children (and attending adults) **bring a coat**. If the weather changes and we may have to move the event indoors but the planting outside will still go ahead.

We hope the sun is shining for this special afternoon and look forward to welcoming you into school!

REMEMBER to complete the lunchtime form by Tuesday – we really need this information.

Yours sincerely,

L. Clarke

Mrs L Clarke
Headteacher