Thank you!

A few parents have asked me how I have found my first year of being Headteacher at RFPS and firstly I tell them that I can’t believe it’s been a whole year – it has flown by. Secondly, I say that it genuinely is a joy to come to work every day and see the enthusiasm and passion for learning that the pupils have. It hasn’t been without its challenges such as power cuts, staff illness and travellers but the way the whole school community comes together in problematic times, says a lot about the character of those involved with RFPS.

I am incredibly lucky to have an amazing staff team behind me who are the ones who are doing the job of teaching the children or supporting the teaching, every day. The staff’s unwavering compassion, sensitivity, enthusiasm and dedication to your children and their learning is incredible and I want to say a huge thank you to each of them. I want to include Governors in this as they give up their time to support and challenge the school, making it the best it possibly can be!

I want to say a huge thank you to all the parents whose support and generous words makes such a difference to myself and the staff. I know decisions that I make can sometimes be unpopular but they are always well thought out, with the safety and welfare of the children always being the main objective whilst being fair to all.

Finally, I want to say the biggest thank you to the children. They are amazing and they bring the school to life! We are so lucky to have such tolerant and caring children who treat each other and the staff with huge amounts of respect. I firmly believe RFPS still has that family feel and to say that with 240 pupils in the school is pretty special!

My favourite parts of the year are: educational visits e.g. farm, zoo, Cadbury’s World, play village, Warwick Castle etc!; special topic days such as Art day and World Ocean Day; plays and performances; sports day on a real athletics track; having visitors such as an author, doctors, police officers, an MP and Guide dogs!; amazing topics such as Land Ahoy, Mighty Metals, Moon Zoom etc; Celebration assemblies – seeing all of your work! And much, much more. Next year I’m looking forward to all of that and more, such as: our first Residential stay; swimming lessons; RFPS Job Centre; Enterprise week (where classes make some money – hopefully!) growing our own food and a snack shop run by children.

I sincerely hope you feel as though your child/children have had a positive year at RFPS and that the school is improving all the time (I think it is!).

I hope you have a wonderful summer and I look forward to seeing you all again in September!

Warmest Wishes

Miss Butters

100% Attendance Awards:

**Reception:**
- Evelyn B
- Isabelle
- Anne
- Sophie E
- Nikola
- Ben
- Harry R
- Kyle T
- Meera

**Year One:**
- Eashan
- Kieran
- Dylan H
- Sofia M
- Kane P
- Abdul Rehman

**Year Two:**
- Lily B
- Jack B
- Adam
- Sophie H
- Molly
- Evelyn N
- Amelia O
- Zak S
- Joe T
- Harleen
- Isla W
- Freya

**Year Three:**
- Saffron
- Dhanya
- Joshua R
- Mani
- Minal
- Lucas W
- Zachary N
- Elsie-Mai
- Anushay
Whole School Picnic
As a special treat on Wednesday we had a picnic lunch in the school playground followed by lots of fun games and activities that the teachers had created. We had a silent disco, hula hooping, painting and colouring, Lego and building blocks, speed bouncing and much, much more. Afterwards we had a movie afternoon with ice cream! Yum.

Mini Mud Run Fundraiser
The Mini Mud to fundraise for Miss Pohl, Amy’s Rugby Free Primary Superstars, has been organised by Richard Walker and Steph Looney. If you would like any further information or a sponsorship form please contact Richard via email richard.i.walker@me.com
Good luck to everyone taking part.

Reading at Home Challenge
Children have been taking part in a home reading challenge since the start of Spring Term. On Thursday we drew 3 names out of the hat and these children won a book voucher. The winners are: Ruben in Reception, Sydney in Year 2 and Katie H in Year 3.
Congratulations everyone for taking part this year!
Our Pink & Yellow, Bright Coloured Day
On Wednesday we asked the children to come in wearing bright colours, especially pinks and yellows to raise money for Miss Pohl. The children looked absolutely fantastic and thanks to you we raised a fantastic £269.60! Thank you so much. This will be added together with the Raffle & Tombola totals from our End of Year party.

Hope, Year 3
One of our Clever Cats in Year 3, Hope, recently had her beautiful locks cut off and donated her hair to the Little Princess Trust which uses hair to create wigs for children who have lost their hair through cancer and other conditions. Well done Hope!

Wild Challenge
Over the summer term some children participated in ‘Wild Challenge’ after school club. The children completed many activities to both experience and help nature. This included going on a mini beast safari, a scavenger hunt and even making mini beast homes. Miss Calcutt is very happy to announce that after the children’s hard work they have finally received their Bronze Award.

Coton Park East Consultation
We have recently sent home letters and emails about the planned expansion of Coton Park East and the need for a secondary school. On 26th June Rugby Borough Council started the formal consultation on the land for Coton Park East. This consultation runs until Sept 6th 2019 to give parents a chance to have their say. Please can you reach out to this email address localplan@rugby.gov.uk with ‘Coton Park East SPD Consultation’ as the subject header or use this link and select ‘Coton Park east consultation’. The responses can be either in writing or email. It is really important that as many parents support this proposal as possible for this to go ahead.

Newsletter and letters home next year
From next year we have made the decision to send all letters home via email, where possible, including the newsletter. Not only is it better for the environment but it will save the school money as sending home a coloured newsletter each week will cost the school £10 per week x 39 weeks = £390 a year! If you struggle to access your emails we can print you a copy if you request it at the school office. Please make sure the office has got your correct email address and that the letters are not going in to your junk mail. Thank you!

Diary Dates
18th July – PTA End of Year Summer Fair 3.30pm - 5.30pm
18th July – END OF TERM
19th July & 22nd July – Teacher Training Days
2nd Sept – 3rd Sept – Teacher Training Days
4th Sept – Start of the new academic year

Game On Holiday Clubs
A reminder that Game On are operating holidays Clubs at the school from the 19th-30th August. If interested please contact Kirsty on 07889 757794 or email kirsty@gameoncoaching.co.uk