



# Newsletter 22nd September 2023

## Welcome back!

We have had a super busy start to the term. The children are settling into their new classrooms and routines well. Please make sure you read emails sent from school so you don't miss any information. We have changed our homework expectations so please talk to and encourage your children to complete this at home. If you need any help or support please Dojo your child's teacher.

## Baby and Toddler Group

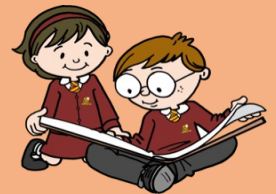
This weeks session was a huge success and we loved seeing everyone. Every week will have different themes and experiences for the children and it is a wonderful way for the children and parents to socialise and have a cuppa and cake!



Sessions are Fridays at 9.15am and cost £2 per family

## BOOKS! BOOKS! BOOKS!

Reading continues to be a huge focus for us at Richmond Hill, and we have worked really hard embedding good foundations and skills over the past few years. We are constantly trying to improve the quality and range of texts we have for the children. We have invested money from our school fund into every classroom but we would love to have multiple copies of high quality reads so more children can access them.



We have put together a wish list on Amazon and if you could donate a book to school we would be very grateful. We understand times are tough so this is only if you feel you are able.

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2J9DJ0DUI9F69?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2J9DJ0DUI9F69?ref_=wl_share)

## MACMILLAN WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING



We are holding a coffee morning on **Thursday 28th September**, in school.

**We would love any cake donations!** (If home made please list ingredients)

The coffee morning will run from 8.50am when our doors open until 10.30am.

Please come and join us, bring as many friends and family as you would like and enjoy a cuppa and a cake!

## DIARY DATES

### Sept 28th

Macmillan coffee morning in school  
8.50am-10.30am

Y6 Lakes College Science show

### Sept 29th

Y3 & 4 Football competition

### October 12th

National Spanish Day

### October 18th

Parents Meetings

### October 30th

Halloween Disco

### October 31st

Halloween dress up day

## ONLINE SAFETY

In school we work consistently to educate the children of the risks posed by inappropriate use of social media but ultimately we cannot control what they are allowed to access at home.



Pupils in primary school should not have their own social media accounts. Their devices must be closely monitored at home.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/>

## ATTENDANCE

The local authority will be monitoring attendance very closely this year. Your child must be in school at all times. Holidays will not be authorised and **we strongly advise against** taking them during term time. Lateness is also something we must improve. Regular lateness accumulates many lost minutes of teaching time. Lessons start as soon as the children enter school. This is something the local authority will also monitor.

## OPENING TIMES AND ATTENDANCE - slight change please read!

Schools must meet the national requirements for weekly teaching time. This equates to 32.5 hours per week. This means we must open the school doors at **8.40am** (children to be in class by 8.45am) and school will finish at **3.15pm**. This slight change brings us inline with national requirements.

**THIS WEEKS ATTENDANCE IS 92%**