



# Ravensdale Junior School

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Now It's Me

Dear parents and carers

It's been an extremely busy term once again!

Year 6 have enjoyed Enterprise Week where they created their own businesses and sold items to the other children in the school. Many Year 6 children also had a wonderful time on their residential at Norfolk Lakes, where they had a go at a wide variety of water sports. They have also spent the last few weeks rehearsing a production of 'Aladdin trouble' and are having great fun performing this to parents and the rest of the school.

On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, we will be 'clapping out' Year 6 as they leave primary school for the last time. If it is dry, the children will stand either side of an aisle created on the field, if it is damp, we will be on the playground and if it is very wet, in the hall. We wish Year 6 pupils good luck!

Please remember that **no photos or video** are allowed on site and to move onto the park to take any pictures.

*Zoe Cannon*

**For general enquiries, please email the office**

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[Year3@ravensdalej.derby.sch.uk](mailto:Year3@ravensdalej.derby.sch.uk) - to contact Year 3 teachers (just change the digit for other year groups)

## Key Dates

We wish all our families a lovely summer holiday and look forward to seeing most of you in September!

Please see the bottom of this letter for term dates for next year.

New Term starts Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September

### PTFA

The Parents, Teachers and Friends association helps to organise fundraising events for the school.

Our next meeting is on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 6.15pm in school.**

There is no commitment to be part of a committee or to help out in any specific way.

We would love to see more parents there to support the lovely events that we have planned for the year, so please do come along!

### Safe on Site

Please remember the following rules for the school site:

- Do not ride your bikes or scooters in school grounds.  
Do not cross the low-level fencing.
- Please do not allow children to play on any of the railings or goal posts.
- Younger children waiting should not be playing with toys from the playground boxes.

Thank you!

### The Smile Squad

The Smile Squad provide lots of ideas about how to look after adult and children's teeth. <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKDCC/signup/32511>. They are also on social media: @DCCPublicHealth and [www.facebook.com/derbyshirepublichealth](http://www.facebook.com/derbyshirepublichealth)

### Recycle with Michael

We are recycling clothes in school. Please bring any bagged clothes into school by tomorrow (14<sup>th</sup> July)

### Fundraising










A huge well done to Beatrice, Lottie and team who raised £132 for diabetes UK by making and selling loom band products on the playground.

### Instrument Lessons

Piano teacher Joanne Watkiss will have up to 3 spaces for lessons in school next year. We also have peripatetic teachers of violin, woodwind and guitar, as well as Rocksteady in school. Please get in touch with the school office if you are interested.

Year 4 will all be learning the flute next year as part of their lesson in school.

### Energy Tips from Zainab and Adi (Children's Parliamentarians)

 <p>Don't leave the tap running while you wash your hands or brush your teeth.</p>	<p>Always turn off lights, televisions, computers and games consoles when you are finished.</p> 	 <p>Have short showers instead of baths.</p>
<p>Recycle as much as you can- this uses much less energy than making new materials.</p> 	 <p>Walk or ride a bicycle to school instead of travelling in the car.</p>	<p>Keep windows closed when the heating is on.</p> 
 <p>Never leave the fridge door open. Decide what you want before you open it.</p>	<p>Wear a jumper instead of turning the heating on.</p> 	 <p>Read a book or play a board game instead of watching television.</p>

### Sports Day

Thank you to all parents who attended Sports Day this year. We were lucky to have such good weather. We have listened to parental feedback about some areas that could be improved and are amending how we organise the day for next year.

### Saying a sad goodbye to staff

We have several staff leaving us at the end of this term. We wish them the very best of luck for the future and thank them immensely for all they have given to Ravensdale pupils and staff.

Miss Lloyd - teacher

Mr Arther - teacher

Miss Dunn - teacher

Mrs Morris - safeguarding officer and welfare

Mrs Price -senior admin in the office

Mrs Knight - office manager

Please have patience with the office team in September as we will have two brand new appointments in place.

### Lateness into School

There are a significant number of children arriving late every day - this has resulted in a loss of **152 hours of learning time** this year. It very much impacts on the child's start to the day and causes an unnecessary administrative burden in the office. We do understand that there may be an odd occasion where there are extenuating circumstances, but please ensure that your children arrive on time on a regular basis.

## **Holiday Clubs**

We are delighted that Progressive Sports are running holiday clubs at Ravensdale during the summer holidays. These are being overseen by Mr Scarrat who is the sports coach that works at Ravensdale. Please see the poster below about how to book a place.

### **INSET days for next year 2023-24**

4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023

6<sup>th</sup> October 2023 (This is a Transform Trust INSET and will be different for the infants)

22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024

**Please note that the above INSET days are not on the calendar below and should be considered separately.**

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY



# CLUBS

Progressivesports



 **Ravensdale Junior School, Mickleover**



**Tuesday 30th May to Friday 2nd June**  
**9.30am to 4.30pm (or 8.30am to 5.30pm)**



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**RAVENSDALE JUNIOR SCHOOL  
DERBY CITY HOLIDAY DATES  
2022 – 2023**

As confirmed by Derby City Council

**School closes**

**Re-opens on**

<b>Summer</b>	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023
<b>Mid-term</b>	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2023
<b>Christmas</b>	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2023	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024
<b>Mid-term</b>	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
<b>Easter</b>	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
<b>Mid-term</b>	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2024
<b>Summer</b>	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2024	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2024