ISSUE 15

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Free School









Free Zone

The Year 6 SATS take place week commencing 13th May. Please could all the children be in school by 8:40am each day and ensure they have had breakfast before they arrive: this helps to settle the children guickly and calmly. Many thanks for your support.

This half term we have been incredibly lucky to have Bart Gee visit Ravenbank to talk to us about his amazing life in which he has overcome his disabilities. Bart inspired all the adults and children and taught us that 'difficult' and 'hard' are just alternative words for 'possible.' We were lucky enough to have Bart deliver a whole school assembly where he talked about his life and his fantastic sporting achievements. He even played the piano for us all. It was wonderful; his story will stay with us all and inspire us to overcome our own difficulties.



Eric (Year 1) 'I think his piano playing was great. I really liked it.'

Imagine

The Year 1 children enjoyed their exciting trip to Imagine That! last week. Their highlights included making snow, slime and painting a car! They loved dressing up in Imagine Village and taking part in lots of science experiments. They all showed outstanding behaviour and represented our school wonderfully.

Maths drop-in session for parents and carers Wednesday 12th June 3.30pm-4.15pm in the school hall.

Come and see different activities led by the children to show how they learn maths at Ravenbank. There will be opportunities to talk to staff on how best to support your child with maths at home.

Kids Live at 5 on Cheshire's Mix 56 - nominated for radio award

Melita has been a regular contributor to the Kids Live at 5 radio show on Cheshire's Mix 56 (formerly Lymm Radio) for almost a year now along with a couple of other Ravenbank students amongst the line up too.



They have been nominated for an exciting radio award (up against some of the big stations) and they used Melita's audio specifically as one of their submissions when entering. Visit <u>facebook.com/kidsliveat5</u> and message Helen the show's producer for more information on how to get involved.

Diary Dates

Monday 13th May

Year 6 SATs begin for one week

Monday 13th May

Assessments for Y1-Y5 begin for 2 weeks

Saturday 18th May

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Monday 20th May

Class Photographs

Friday 24th May

2-3pm - Opal Play Afternoon School closes for half term and re-opens on Monday 10th June.

Monday 10th June

2-3pm - New starter meeting 4-5pm - New starter meeting

Wednesday 12th June

3:30-4:15pm - Maths drop in session

Thursday 20th June

2:15pm - Y2 to lead assembly

Friday 21st June

9am - Y2 to lead assembly

Monday 24th June-am

Year 3—Year 6 Sports Day

Tuesday 25th June- am

EYFS, Year 1-Year 2 Sports Day

Monday 1st July

Alternative Sports Day

KIDS LIVE AT 5 NOMINATED FOR NATIONAL AWARD On Tuesday 24 March 2024, 1636 Live at 5 was announced as one of the nominees in the Grassroot category of the ARIBA, then antional awards hosted by the window of the national wards hosted by the work of the national wards of the

Kids Live at Five

with Kids Planet Lymm

LOST PROPERTY

Please remember to write your child's name in all personal belongings brought into school so they can be returned. Due to the large quantities of lost property without names our Year 6 children now empty the lost property box on a weekly basis. If any items have names on they will be returned however, if they do not have names on, they will be donated to our 'pre-loved' rail for re-sale. Any coats without names will go to charity if not claimed by the end of each half term. Thank you

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Due to the success of last year we are hosting another OPAL playday. Through OPAL, we are working to improve outdoor play at our school by offering more opportunities for creative, child-led play and learning. Please come along and play with your child.

Ravenbank Primary School - OPAL playday

Date: Friday 24th May 2024

Time: 1:45pm presentation in the hall followed by playing outside (2-3pm)

Schedule:

1:45pm Arrive

1.45pm – 2.00pm Short Talk about the OPAL Primary Programme from our OPAL mentor

2:00pm – 3.00pm Free play session with your child/children & their friends

Please dress for all weathers and for play.

If possible, please bring a loose part donation:

- Large cardboard boxes
- Old car or bike tyres (washed)
- Large empty spools (used for wire, chain, rope, etc)
- Large buckets and containers
- Wood scraps
- Plastic pipes, tubes, or hoses
- Scooters
- Dressing up clothes

- Old kitchen utensils, baskets, pots, and pans
- Tarps
- Fabric scraps (the bigger the better!)
- Milk crates
- Crutches
- Nets
- Old wagons, and buggies
- Small world toys e.g. small people etc

Wednesday 22nd May 2024

School meals will be providing the special "Spring into summer menu" below. Please note the kitchen will only be serving the following options on this day;



Fun Raisin Challenge





RAVENBANK PTA



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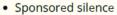
We're sending home a box of raisins for you to eat. Do some chores to earn coins, then fill your empty box with as much money as you can to help raise funds for the reading project at school.

THEN WHAT HAPPENS?

The class collectively 'raisin' the most money will win an afternoon with a movie of your choice in the hall, with ice lollies and popcorn! But importantly, this is a chance for everyone to help contribute to the fantastic new reading facilities.

IDEAS FOR CHORES FOR CHANGE















Anything you like!

Take your box back to your class by ...



10 May 2024



May Queen Parade, Sat 18th May, 11:45

Please come and join us in the May Queen Parade. All of the village schools are involved - so it'd be great if you and your children join us to represent Ravenbank and enjoy this lovely community event together.

Where to meet: Pepper Street. Look out for the Ravenbank School banner. (Note change from usual meeting point!)

Meeting time: Meet at 11:45. The parade starts at Midday.

What to wear: This year's theme is 'Animal rescue / Animals in need'. The children can wear a costume, bring props or wear their own clothes.

The route: Walking through the village, the parade will make its way from Pepper Street up to Davies Way car park where all of the usual stalls, funfair and entertainment will

Sign up: Please sign up for the event on ParentPay (there is no charge).

Please Note: This is a PTA-run event led by volunteers from Ravenbank PTA. Any children taking part will need to be accompanied by an adult.



Year 6 SATs - information for parents / carers

As you are aware, SATs week is Monday 13th -

Thursday 16th May 2024 where the Year 6 children will be completing formal assessments in school. Information about the structure and format of these tests is on our school website -

https://www.ravenbankschool.co.uk/page/satsinformation/132829

There are also some sample test materials available for you to look at and an information leaflet from the Standards and Testing Agency.

Further revision opportunities for your child can also be accessed through the Monster Learning platform, for which they will have an individual login.



Do you have any spare time to volunteer as a **BUDDIES** Reading Buddy? Reading is a vital skill and unlocks learning across the curriculum. Practice

makes perfect so we are hoping to recruit a team of volunteers to support the school community by listening to our children read. No prior experience is necessary and training will be provided. The benefits for the children are wide ranging, including improved listening skills; cognitive skills development and increased imagination and creativity. We would be grateful of any time you are able to offer and are flexible to your availability. If you would like further information, or to volunteer, please contact Mrs Poole via the school office

ravenbank.primary@thebeamtrust.co.uk.







Key Stage 1 Cricket Competition.

On Wednesday 1st May, ten Year 2 pupils travelled to Orford Jubilee to take part in the cricket competition and the sun came out! The children had a great time practising their cricket skills. Well done to William D, Nicky H, Alex B, Sammy B, Oliver P, Elsie J-H, Jace C, Maggie L, Amelie P & Raymond Y.





Years 3 & 4 Yoga sessions

Our 6 weeks of yoga sessions are underway for Years 3 & 4. The children are enjoying the chance to stretch and explore some mindfulness. Thanks to Happy Kids Yoga.





Years 1 and 2 tennis roadshow

Lymm Tennis Club came into school on Friday 3rd May and ran a workshop for Years 1 and 2. All children had the opportunity to work with a coach building up core skills and having fun.





Free child and adult tickets to watch Warrington Wolves Rugby Match - Saturday 1st June 3pm - Warrington Wolves v Wigan Warriors

We have a free child and adult ticket to give away on a first come, first served basis for the above match. Please email ravenbank.primary@thebeamtrust.co.uk if your child is available and you would like to go. We will then pass the tickets on to you. Enjoy and make sure you take pics!







Warrington Wolves Holiday Camps

We have been notified of a holiday camp running across the 28th - 29th May and then the 4th - 5th June from 10am-3pm, by Warrington Wolves. The camps are all about developing rugby skills and making sure that your child has as much fun as possible whilst doing it.

Camps will be for 6-11 year olds and will run at Crosfields ARLFC, Great Sankey, Warrington WA5 1XU. If you are interested in registering your child for any or all of the upcoming Holiday Camp dates please follow the link below.

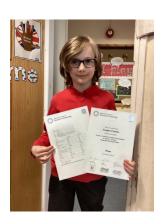
https://register.enthuse.com/ps/event/HolidayCamps2024

Lymm Tennis Club

Please see the flyer for the open day this weekend.

Celebrating Sporting Success







Congratulations to Maggie D-G (Year 4), Maggie took part in a Warrington Gymnastics Club competition and did brilliantly. Look at that trophy and all those medals. Maggie placed 1st on the vault, 2nd floor and 1st overall for her age category. Superb!

Congratulations to Jasper C (Year 5) on passing his classical ballet exam. He told us that it was an incredibly hard exam. Brilliant work Jasper!

Remember to let Mrs Spencer know of any exciting sporting success to go on the newsletter.

Competitions coming up...

- Years 5 and 6 Rugby Festival at Lymm Rugby club
- Years 3 and 4 Football at Bridgewater High
- Years 5 and 6 Football at Bridgewater High
- KS2 Cross Country at Culcheth Primary School
- Years 5 and 6 Cricket at Grappenhall
- Rugby Fire 7s at Halliwell Stadium
- Year 3 Football at Liverpool Academy
- Year 4 football at Liverpool Academy
- Year 5 and 6 girls football







RAVENBANK SPORTS DAYS

KS2 Sports Day - Monday 24th June 9.30am start

EYFS & KS1 Sports Day Tuesday 25th June 9.30am start

KS1 will all be representing Great Britain (they can wear their normal PE Kit t-shirts)

KS2 will be divided into four teams:

Greece (Blue)
South Africa (Yellow)
Jamaica (Green)
Australia (Red)

Over the next few weeks, class teachers will divide classes into teams and tell children which team they are in. If possible (and they have a t-shirt that colour) please wear it (if not please do not worry, we will have plenty of coloured bibs).

If the weather is unsuitable these dates will have to be re-arranged.

Parents and carers, feel free to bring camping chairs and set up on the field after drop-off. Oh... and wear your trainers!



Classes on Thurs 7pm and Fri 12pm in Lymm

@cheshirepregnancyyoga

Pregnancy yoga classes in Lymm £10 payg or £45 for 6 classes (term time only) follow Emma on insta https://www.instagram.com/cheshirepregnancyyoga/and fb https://www.facebook.com/cheshirepregnancyyoga come and meet some mums to be and enjoy a stretch and calming relaxation









PQA Warrington have two Summer Schools running, so you will have to pick your side!

Mad About The Musicals is 5 days of Musical Theatre Madness!
Singing, dancing, acting and having the best time EVER! The 5
days will end with a Friday evening performance.

5 Day Film Challenge is a fast paced experience of the filmmaking process! Write, produce, star in and shoot your own short film, in just 5 days! The final film will be sent out to all parents!

When:

Monday 29th July – Friday 2nd August

Where:

Bridgewater High School (Lower School)

Timings:

10am - 4pm (plus Friday 5pm Performance, for the Mad About The Musicals)

Age

Mad About The Musicals 6 - 18 | Film Challenge 9 - 18





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