



# NEWSLETTER

from Mr Tomlinson

Term 3 1<sup>st</sup> Half  
18<sup>th</sup> April to 27<sup>th</sup> May 2016

## Welcome back

I hope you have all enjoyed the holidays and that your children allowed you to share some of their Easter eggs. The break could not have come quickly enough for our pupils as so many have been off with a variety of illnesses. This pattern of illness seems to have affected a lot of schools in the region so let's hope that this term will be a healthier one. Illnesses aside, last half term was as productive as ever. As well as children learning so much through our "high quality curriculum" (Ofsted's words, not mine!) there were lots of other events and activities...World Book Day, the band went to see the Halle, we hosted a HUGE tea party and had a spectacular Arts Week, (more of which can be seen on page 2). And who can forget that we also had snow?!?! And yes snowballs were thrown, but in a fun and friendly manner as per the Headteacher's instructions!

## Friends of Romiley Primary School...

Have been busy organising and running events and spending money to improve the school for all our children.



New flooring has been installed under our traversing wall which improves safety and is more aesthetically pleasing than the old rubber matting! We have also had 'wildflower turf' planted in the area outside the Nursery entrance. Mr Upton, our Site Manager, has been busy installing another 104 lockers which again have been paid for by FRPS. Our Nutrition & Hydration Ambassadors, along with willing parents, organised a HUGE Tea Party. 129 Cream Teas were sold with all proceeds going to our school. In addition to this FRPS ran a really successful disco and a Mother's Day stall. Thank you FRPS for your commitment and hard work. The Spring Fair will be taking place on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May**, please help out if you can. FRPS next meeting takes place at **8:00pm Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April** at the Romiley Arms.

## Year 6 SATs

Year 6 pupils across England will sit the Standard Assessment Tests (SATs) week commencing **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May**. It is essential your child is in school on time to ensure they are as best prepared as possible. We want your children to give the best account of themselves that they can and we will ensure they feel positive, confident and calm about the whole process.

## Attendance (Term 2 2<sup>nd</sup> Half)

Rec = 95.6% Y1 = 96.3%  
Y2 = 95.7% Y3 = 95.7%  
Y4 = 96.1% Y5 = 96.2%  
Y6 = 96.8% Overall = **96.0%**

## Parents Forum

Will take place on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May in the small hall at 9:05 a.m. I will be discussing some changes regarding school uniform. A number of parents have also been asking me what the proposed move by the government to turn all schools into academies means for Romiley Primary School. I will use the forum to address this topic as well. Please come along if you can, tea & coffee will be served.

## Sports Day...

will take place on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, weather permitting. If we do have to cancel a reserve date of Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June has been added. Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will compete in the morning. Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in the afternoon.

## Parentpay

Look out for registration letters regarding our new online payment system.



## Bake sale

A team of amazing bakers from Year 4 held a bake sale to raise money for Battersea Cats & Dogs Home and The Manchester Dogs Home. The cakes looked fabulous and tasted even better!



I love the T-shirts as well!!

**And there's more...** See page 2 for diary dates and arts week photos.

## Arts Week

Where to begin? The Arts Week we held at the end of last half term was enjoyed by everyone involved. The school was transformed with an array of activities taking place in each class, many led by outside specialists and incredibly talented parents. We had drama, dancing, painting, sculpting, music, poetry, singing - the pupils took so much from the activities and the enthusiasm shown in the celebration assembly at the end of the week was incredible. As the pictures show it was a brilliant week and I would like to pass on my thanks to Mrs Driver and Miss Thorniley for organising the whole thing and to the aforementioned parents who gave up their time to share their skills. More pictures are on our website.



## Diary dates

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> – Fri 13<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATs week.

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> May – Parents forum 9:05 a.m. (small hall).

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> May - Spring fair.

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Whole class photographs.

*Break up for half term Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May. Return Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June.*

Tue 14<sup>th</sup> – Fri 17<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1 Phonics tests.

Fri 17<sup>th</sup> June - Nursery/Reception open afternoon.

Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Sports day.

Thu 30<sup>th</sup> June - Reserve date for Sports day.

Thu 7<sup>th</sup> July – Reception ‘taster session.’ (More info. to follow).

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> July – School reports to parents.

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> July – Parents meeting to discuss report.

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> July – 7:00 p.m. Year 6 production (at NK Theatre).

Wed 27<sup>th</sup> July – 11:00 a.m. Year 6 leavers assembly

*Wed 27<sup>th</sup> July 3: 20 p.m. - School closes for summer break.*

