



Dear Parents, Carers, Governors and Friends,

Welcome back to the new academic year. I hope you all had an enjoyable break.

There has been a lot of activity here at Raglan over the last 6 weeks and although there are still a few finishing touches to be completed we are extremely pleased with what has been achieved and the impact it has had on the school. We have continued with our programme of redecoration, both halls have been painted and look much brighter and more inviting and the Year 3 and Year 4 classrooms have also been painted and are now more welcoming learning environments for the children. A new nursery has been created next to the EYFS classrooms so we now have a fantastic Early Years hub. LLC have moved into the space that was the nursery and now, for the first time, the children have their own outside learning area – the children are thrilled and are really enjoying being able to learn outside. The windows in the Year 6 classrooms have been replaced so the children will no longer have to listen to them rattle on windy days and another section of the roof has been replaced – only one more section to go!! We have also installed an electronic gate with entrance cameras as nursery parents need access to the nursery outside of the usual times that the gates are open. A big thank you to our wonderful premises team and to Mrs Rao, our Business Manager, who have worked tirelessly through the holidays to ensure everything was ready for the start of term.

The children have all settled well into their new classes, and have come back from the break really keen to learn. Thank you to all of the parents who supported their children to complete their Holiday Home learning Projects – the range and quality was truly remarkable.

In assembly this morning each class shared some of the learning they have been doing over the last 3 days and I was so impressed with the standard and presentation and also with how enthusiastically they talked about it all. It was also great that they were able to link it to our personal learning goals.

Next week we are having our termly Reading Breakfast mornings, please do come if you are able – timetable below- but feel free to come on any day if you are unable to come on your allocated day.

Monday – Reception, Y3 and Y6

Tuesday – Y1, Y5, LLC and ULC

Wednesday – Y2, Y3 and Y4

Thursday – Y1, Y5, LLC and ULC

Friday – Reception, Y2, Y4 and Y6

*Parents of Raglan Nursery children are welcome any of the above days

Mrs Dumper has asked me to remind any children who would like to start Cross Country to let her know – letters will be coming home about this next week.

Dinner money for this half term is £72.60 – please pay this a.s.a.p. and remember to email the office if your child would like to change from school lunch to packed lunch or vice versa.

We currently have a vacancy for a midday meal supervisor, the advert will be on the website from Monday so please do apply if interested.

Finally, Havelock Hop is taking place tomorrow at the Havelock Rec from 12-4pm, it promises to be a fun afternoon - entrance is free and there is lots going on.

Have a good weekend, Kath Margetts and All the Staff.

[P.S Take a look at Twitter for updated photos of what has been going on this week](#)



