

Round Hill Bulletin 12: 20th July 2023

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'Dream, believe, achieve together'

Reflecting Daring Persevering Dreaming Together

	Whole School Information
Important Information for September	This Bulletin contains important information about starting back to school in September. Please take time to read it carefully as the contents relate to all new and existing pupils at Round Hill. The Bulletin is split into things you need to know before we break up and things for the September return to school.
End of Year Message and Thank You From Mr Nash	Firstly, a thank you to all pupils, parents/carers, staff and governors. Another wonderful year at Round Hill is about to close. Everyone has got stuck in, pulled together, and done their best to make this year work. And by everyone, I do mean pupils, parents and all the different staff roles in school. The importance of community has never been so obvious. The 'together' part of our four word Vision Statement grew even bigger. The summer term brought with it accreditation that we are indeed a good school. You will have received an email earlier this week with a link to the Ofsted Report on our school website. Thank you all for your support during the recent Ofsted inspection. So this is the perfect time to 'dream' what we hope to achieve from the next academic year. As a school we aim to be continually improving every aspect of what we do. We will continue to have a major school improvement focus on further developing our understanding as teachers, of how children learn best, and using this to make every lesson, every learning experience, more powerful. We want our pupils to think more – because we believe that thinking is central to learning and that's not just thinking in their school work, but also about the world and their place in it; how they relate to each other and support each other, through good times and difficult times - how we all learn and thrive together. We will be developing those team building skills as children settle into their new classes, promoting our school values, 'reflecting' on how we can make the most of the time with new and old friends. We will encourage all our pupils to step up to the challenge of new classes, new teachers, new people to work with and to set their own goals to achieve that bit more, be kind to each other and take another step towards being great people. Have a lovely summer. Mr Nash
School Calendar	Diary dates for the Autumn Term 2023 are on the school calendar along with some key dates for the rest of the school year. Please continue to check the <u>school calendar</u> on the website for all dates.
School Reports	We hope you enjoyed reading your child's school report last Friday 14 th July. Just a reminder to make sure you either save an electronic copy or print off a paper copy as we cannot guarantee access to previous years' reports as we do not retain copies in school.
Orchestra Concert	What a lovely event - we held another orchestra/choir/music concert in the school hall recently. Thank you to everyone involved. The orchestra is made up of children from Years 4, 5 and 6 who were really excited about their performance – a special thank you to Mrs Kraven and Mr Wedgeworth.
End of the School Year and Inset Day	We break up from school on Tuesday 25 th July for the summer holidays. The teachers will have a training day when we start the new term and the children's first day back is Tuesday 5th September 2023 . Whilst I know it is very tempting with lower holiday prices, you must avoid having a holiday during the school year. Your child misses out on so much and it is parents' responsibility to ensure that attendance is above 95%.
Staffing Update	Congratulations to Miss Swain, Hedgehogs class teacher who is getting married during the summer holidays. She will be known as Mrs Alexander from September. A warm welcome to two new members of staff who are joining the Foundation Stage Team. Miss Draycott and Miss Cross who will be temporarily replacing Mrs Bond in Daffodils whilst she is on Maternity Leave from

	the start of the Autumn Term. We wish all of our staff who are moving on the very best wishes in whatever new adventure they are taking. If you missed the recent staffing update, details can be found in Bulletin 11.
Academy Update	The governors would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed to the consultation process. Further to previous communications, at the governing body meeting on 11 th July, the governors considered all opinions raised during the consultation process. It was agreed to continue with the process to convert to an academy and join Equals Trust. No date has been set for this to happen, but it is anticipated that this is likely to be in the autumn term 2023. You may have already seen a list of FAQs, including responses, which are available to read on the school website by clicking here.
Lost Property	Any unnamed lost property left at the end of term will be used in our Preloved Uniform stall run by the RHA. The children will get the opportunity to look for their lost belongings before the end of term.
Books for School Library	Could I ask parents to root out any books that belong to school and make sure they are sent back before the end of term please?
Meet the Teacher Transition PowerPoints	Thank you to everyone who attended the Transition event after school on Tuesday. There is an updated page on the school website called 'Meet the Staff team 2023-24'. The PowerPoints used by the teachers at this event can be found on each of the Year Group Pages: • Meet the KS1 Teachers 2023-24 • Meet the LKS2 Teachers 2023-24 • Meet the UKS2 Teachers 2023-24
Optional Summer Holidays Provision Reading Challenge	Each year we provide children with optional activities to take part in over the summer holidays. We believe children need a break and there is no expectation that children have to get involved, but we do realise that some children enjoy holiday activities. If your child wishes to get involved, please read the Summer Holiday Reading Challenge 2023 on the school website. As in previous holidays, staff will not be looking at or responding to their ClassDojos, but children will be able to add things onto their portfolio to celebrate with their classmates in September.
	When we Return in September
PE Kits From September	We can confirm that in September we will continue to allow children to come into school wearing PE kits on their PE day - feedback from parents has been really positive about continuing this approach. It is really important to please ensure that children are wearing the school PE kit only and not football tops and/or heavily logo emblazoned tops. A reminder of the school PE kit and all of the Round Hill uniform can be found on the school uniform page on our website. The PE kit consists of black shorts and a white t-shirt and for outdoor games in cold weather it includes a sweatshirt, jogging bottoms or tracksuit. Either plimsolls or trainers can be worn. We would also like to confirm that whilst stud earrings are allowed at school, these must be taped down on a PE day or during any sporting activity at school.
	Round Hill PTA Update
Update From The Round Hill PTA	The RHA/PTA would like to thank everyone involved in making The Bash a great evening and a thank you to everyone who came out in the rain!! We have been lucky to have had a busy school year with events including: New parents coffee morning, Christmas cards, Christmas shopping evening-back in person!, Christmas Fair - back in person, Silent disco, Fun Run, Summer fair, End of Year Bash. And our preloved uniform stall has returned. (If you have a clear out over the summer and you save any uniform, just pop it in reception in the new school term.) With the money we have raised we have helped to fund the following: Money towards Year 6 residential coach trip, Partially funded Year 6 hoodies, Ice Iollies for sports day, Fixed PA system - or whatever Mark did, Staff treat box during Ofsted inspection, New outdoor equipment - £11,500, End of year gifts to teachers - still to come. So far we've raised just over £7,000 - which is an amazing amount and will go towards funding new activities
	and events in the new term. The PTA is already planning for next term so watch this space! Our first event for the new term is a mini car boot sale on Sunday 17 th September at the front of school.

	You can decide over the summer if you have items you would like to sell and If you would like to book a space. Please <u>click here</u> to book. It will be for a car and a small table as space will be limited. Have a fantastic summer everyone and if you would like to get involved next term just look out for details on our next newsletter. Round Hill PTA
	Information from the Department of Education
Measles Vaccination	We have been asked by the Department for Education to remind parents to check that their children's vaccinations are up to day and in particular the measles vaccination. Measles can be very serious and spreads easily but is completely preventable with the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine. The first dose is offered to children at 1 year of age and the second dose at 3 years and 4 months. However, children can catch up on the MMR vaccine at any age so if your child has not had this vaccine you can contact your GP directly to arrange an appointment. More information about the MMR vaccine can be found on the Government website: MMR for all: general leaflet.