

Ravenswood Primary



November Update

We have been working hard this year to improve our communication with parents and carers and provide more opportunities for you to be involved and engaged in the ongoing work of the school. So far this year we have had our Meet the Teacher evening, Progress Conferences and a Parent Workshop to gather your views on how we can improve our Reporting procedures. This update will give you information about upcoming parental events and progress so far with the Reporting to Parents school improvement that so many of you helped us with.

Literacy Workshop

This year we will be holding two Literacy workshops on Wednesday 16th November (PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS A CHANGE OF DATE FROM THE DIARY DATES ISSUED AT THE START OF TERM).

The morning session will start at 9.30am and the evening session will kick off at 6.30pm.

At these workshops we will be sharing our Active Literacy programme with you and giving you lots of opportunities to see it in action with our pupils. Mrs Hawthorn and Mrs Wilson will start the hour off by explaining the reasons why we teach Literacy the way we do. Following their welcome you will have the chance to watch a model lesson delivered by our class teachers and involving some volunteer pupils. If you choose to attend the morning session there will only be one model lesson as the rest of the teachers will be in class but if you come along to the evening session you will be able to move between the classes and see different strategies in reading and spelling being taught. This workshop will support parents and carers of all learners, no matter what class they are in, to better understand the skills they are developing in school and how they progress. You will also have the chance to look at the resources in use here at Ravenswood and find out about how you can best support your child's literacy learning. We will provide a crèche to take care of you child care needs and hope to have a great turnout. If you will be coming along please return the slip below.



Name of Pupil: _____

Class: _____

I will be attending the 9.30am Literacy Workshop session

I will be attending the 6.30pm Literacy Workshop session

I would like to put _____ children in the crèche.

Signed: _____



Reporting to Parents Workshop

Thank you to all the parents and carers that came along to our workshop last month. We really enjoyed having the chance to talk to you all about our current reporting procedures and hear your suggestions on how we could improve. As a staff we have collated all your ideas and discussed which ones will add the most value to our learners. Below is the reporting timetable we will follow for the rest of Session 2016-17. Once we have piloted the new approach we will be asking for your views on how well it has gone and suggestions for changes we might want to make for Session 2017-18.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DATES GIVEN BELOW REPLACE THE DATES SHOWN ON THE DIARY DATES FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR.

September Progress Conference 1 - 4 capacities discussion and target setting

November Open Afternoon 1 - learners share progress so far
Friday 18th November from 1.30pm

January Interim report (simple tick sheet) issued which will be the focus of Progress Conference 2 at which relevant academic targets will be set.
Interim report issued Friday 27th January
Progress Conference 2 - Thursday 2nd February 3.30pm - 5.30pm and 6.00pm - 9.00pm

March CEM assessments completed P2-7
CEM Parent Information Session - Thursday 2nd March 9.30am or 6.30pm
CEM assessments start week beginning Monday 20th March P7 - P2

May Shorter report that focuses more on Literacy, Numeracy and HWB issued followed by a Parent/Teacher meeting to discuss progress, CEM results and transition info that will be shared with next teacher.
Progress Conference Open Afternoon - Friday 19th May from 1.30pm
Final Report issued Tuesday 30th May
Parent Teacher Meeting - Thursday 1st June 3.30pm - 5.30pm and 6.00pm - 8.00pm

P1 pupils complete CEM Pips assessments at the start and end of the year. Information on what the assessment contains will also be shared at the information session and the results discussed at the May Parent Teacher meeting.

Parents as Partners

