

Riverbrae Summer Newsletter

22 June 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome to our Riverbrae Newsletter

As we approach the end of another school year, I would like to thank you for your continued support during this very challenging time. I can't quite believe that COVID continues to dominate so much of our lives, but I hope that when we return to school in August there will be an easing of restrictions.

As you are aware, we had to cancel a number of school outings, however, the staff worked hard to make sure that their class had fun on the days that they had planned for their summer outings. I have seen weddings, beach themed parties and some lovely afternoon teas across the school.

This term we had a cooking competition in the Senior phase which Phoebe, Jennifer and myself had the privilege to participate in. The food was delicious, and I was impressed by the standard and attention to detail. Thank you to all the staff for making this such a successful event and a special thank you to Eleanor Owen who worked very hard to pull the whole programme together.

As we have been unable to have a school prom for our leavers, we made the decision for the classes involved to have an afternoon tea. It was a lovely afternoon and the young people enjoyed reminiscing about their time in school. While we are sad to see them go, we are also very excited for them to start the next chapter of their lives and look forward to hearing about how they are getting on. Thank you to Catherine Burnett for organising all the food for the classes.

Plans are well under way for developing our Sensory Garden with a team of staff working on the design to improve and look at how we can make our garden sustainable. Look out for some home grown produce.

We have continued with our Danceathon on a Thursday in the Primary & Complex department and Friday for the Secondary Department and Senior Phase. This has worked very well and although it is only for a short time slot the children and young people have enjoyed the uplifting experience.

We have managed to have some transition visits for our new pupils. These visits were facilitated outside, and it was lovely to have the opportunity to meet with children and parents. We are looking forward to our new Primary 1 classes starting with us in August.

We are working on our Summer School show which will be available for you to view before we stop. This video will be available through the Learning Journals. Please contact the school if you are having difficulty accessing your account.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 24th June – School will finish at 1pm

Monday 16th August – Pupils return to school

Contact

We continue to monitor our communication to ensure that all enquiries are dealt with as quickly as possible and if you need to get in touch with us you can do so by

- Emailing our school enquires mailbox <u>riverbraeenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk</u>
- Replying to any school text
- Via google classrooms
- By telephoning the school on 0300 300 1372
- The school App General information for pupils and staff

I hope you all have a great holiday and look forward to the pupils return on 16TH August.

Kind Regards

Michelle Welsh