

“Together”

The John Rankin Schools' Newsletter

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Inspired to learn—challenged to achieve



From the Leadership Team ...

Everyone here at John Rankin Schools hopes you enjoyed a wonderful summer although it feels like such a long time ago now! We are all looking forward to another fantastic academic year, full of exciting learning opportunities.

We have enjoyed a lovely start helping the children settle quickly into their new classes. Our Year 3 children have made a very good first impression at the Junior School and look smart in their new uniforms.

We are delighted to enclose the full events calendar for parents and carers in this newsletter, to take pride of place upon your fridges!

Mr Rayner — Executive Head

School Improvement ...

We have been working incredibly hard during the summer break to ensure the schools are looking fabulous, ready for the children's return.

Our AMAZING range of improvements include our wonderful Reception area that the children are enjoying so much.

I'm sure you've also noticed that we have some lovely shiny new signage up around the school. We hope you find them informative.

Our school lunch halls have also got a fresh new look and we have been working so hard to make the school dining experience appealing to all of our families.



Reminders ...

In order to help with the traffic congestion at the beginning and end of the school day, we ask parents to observe the voluntary one way system around the crescents, as this ensures a smooth traffic flow. Thank you.

Here at John Rankin, we have a dedicated team who inform you of any exciting news or celebrations through our very successful Facebook page. Please can we remind parents and carers that this page is for these purposes only. Should you have any other queries please contact the school office directly.

The PTFA ...

are so grateful for the help they receive and were delighted to see lots of new faces at their meeting last week.

If you are interested in joining the team, please email johnrankinptfa@gmail.com

for further information.

Key Dates 2019/20

Below is a list of the key dates for 2019/20.

(Please be aware these maybe subject to change)

September 2019

- 23rd September—Year 3 and 4 Meet the Teacher Evening
 - 24th September—Year 5 and 6 Meet the Teacher Evening
 - 25th September—Year 1 and 2 Meet the Teacher Evening
 - 26th September—EYFS (FS2) Meet the Teacher Evening (Rescheduled to 3rd Oct)
 - 28th September—PTFA Food Fest (4pm-6pm)
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October 2019

- 2nd October—PTFA Christmas Bazaar Planning Meeting
 - 4th October—JRS Harvest Assemblies
 - 9th October—PTFA AGM
 - 18th October—PTFA Film Night (JRJ)
 - 23rd October—PTFA Year 1 and 2 Disco
 - 24th October—Special Awards Assembly
 - 24th October End of Term 1
 - 25th October—INSET DAY
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November 2019

- 4th November—Start of Term 2
 - 5th November—Travelling Book Fair delivered
 - 8th November—PTFA Bonfire
 - 11th-15th November—Maths Week
 - 11th November—Odd Socks Day and start of Anti Bullying Week
 - 12th November—Travelling Book Fair collected
 - 12th November—Parents' Evening (3.30pm-6.00pm)
 - 14th November—Parents' Evening (5.30pm-8.00pm)
 - 20th November—Beech Class Assembly
 - 25th-27th November—Year 5 Residential to Hook
 - 27th November—Mulberry Class Assembly
 - 28th November—Year 4 Trip to Chedworth
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December 2019

- 4th December—Year 5 Class Assembly
 - 5th December—Nasal Flu Vaccination
 - 6th December—Mufti Day
 - 7th December—PTFA Christmas Bazaar
 - 11th December—JRS Christmas Lunch
 - 11th-12th December Reception Christmas Play to Parents
 - 17th December—Carol Service at St Nics
 - 18th December Staff Pantos to Children
 - 19th December—Special Awards Assembly
 - 19th December—End of Term 2
 - 20th December—INSET DAY
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January 2020

- 5th-11th January—Alder and Birch Class to Rhos
 - 6th January—Start of Term 3
 - 12th—18th January—Cedar to Rhos
 - 29th January—Year 6 Class Assembly
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February 2020

- 5th February—Sycamore Class Assembly
 - 14th February—Special Awards Assembly
 - 14th February—End of Term 3
 - 24th February—Start of Term 4
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March 2020

- 2nd-6th March—Book Week
 - 5th March—World Book Day
 - 12th February—Maple Class Assembly
 - 9th-13th March—Sports Relief / Science Week
 - 10th March—Parents’ Evenings (3.30pm-5.00pm)
 - 12th March—Parents’ Evening (5.30pm-8.00pm)
 - 18th March—Oak Class Assembly
 - 25th March—Magnolia Class Assembly
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April 2020

3rd April—Special Awards Assembly

3rd April—End of Term 4

20th April—Start of Term 5

May 2020

1st May—KS1 SATs to begin

6th May—Ash Class Assembly

8th May—Bank Holiday

11th-14th May—KS2 SATs Week

22nd May—Special Awards Assembly

22nd May—End of Term 5

June 2020

1st June—Start of Term 6

1st—5th June—JRS Science Week

10th June—Willow Class Assembly

17th June—Chestnut Class Assembly

24th June—Holly Class Assembly

24th June—Y2-Y3 Guided Tours of the Juniors

29th June—Year 6 Performance to Parents

July 2020

1st July—Year 6 Performance to Parents

1st July—Laurel Class Assembly

3rd July—Sports Day

10th July—Reserve Sports Day

15th July—Reports to Parents

16th July—Special Awards Assembly

17th July—Year 6 Leavers' Assembly to Parents

17th July—Family Picnic

17th July—End of Term 6
