

Monday 18th July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we draw to the end of another school year, I would like to thank you for all your wonderful support throughout the year. It has once again been a year like no other, but I am delighted that we have at least been able to go ahead with all the fantastic end of year events for children and families this summer term. I am sure you will agree it has been so lovely to be able to get together again in person. Special thanks to Sam Crowe and the PTA team of volunteers for organising the fabulous Summer Fun Day yesterday. It was a huge success and it was great to see so many of you there having a fun time.

Before we finish school for the summer holidays on Friday, there are just a few things to make you aware of....

## The funeral of Ms Louise Rifkin on Wednesday 20th July

We are able to confirm that Ms Rifkin's funeral will take place on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm at Manchester Crematorium in the Old Chapel. As I am sure you will understand, there are many staff who will be attending the funeral to pay their respects to a much loved and known member of our school team. In order to release the number of staff who need to attend, whilst also being able to maintain safe staffing ratio's for school to remain open, the staffing arrangements will be significantly different in each year group just for the afternoon this Wednesday. The usual timetable will also not be in place. Please be assured that whilst the usual staffing levels will not be in place, we will ensure there are some familiar staff in each year group and the children will have different engaging activities for the afternoon.

In addition, Ms Rifkin's cortege will pass the Junior School at approximately 1.30pm. As a mark of respect and to show support to Ms Rifkin's family, the children and staff team who are in the Junior School will be invited to be at the front of the Junior School car park as the cortege passes. Any children who do not wish to be part of this will be able to remain in the school building.











Many of you have already asked if you can send flowers or make a donation for Ms Rifkin. Her family have requested no flowers, but have suggested a donation to mind.org.uk using the following JustGiving link.

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/kate-garvey

## **Whole School Questionnaire**

We are inviting you to complete one last questionnaire if you can, to help us reflect on our achievements this year as well as what can be improved for the future. Please complete the form on our School Spider App, which will be made live this afternoon and open until Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September. As a thank you for your time in completing the questionnaire, your name will be entered into a prize draw for a £20 John Lewis youcher.

## **Summer Holiday Activities**

If you are looking for activities to do with your children during these summer holidays, please see the leaflet attached with all the latest fun and exciting opportunities/ events locally in and around Manchester. There is also this website with more information. <a href="https://loadstodo.co.uk/guides/our-year/">https://loadstodo.co.uk/guides/our-year/</a>

Alternatively, we still have some places available in our summer holiday club at Beaver Road. For more information and to book, please see the following page on our school website. <a href="https://www.beaverroad.org.uk/page/extended-school-provision/54190">https://www.beaverroad.org.uk/page/extended-school-provision/54190</a> Please send booking forms to <a href="mailto:extended-school@brps.net">extended-school@brps.net</a>.

I wish you all a wonderful break over the summer holidays with your families. I hope you manage to enjoy a well-deserved rest and we look forward to seeing you all when school reopens on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

Best wishes,

Mrs Liz Hardy

**Executive Headteacher** 



Article 3 (Best interests of the child) When adults make decisions, they should think about how their decisions will affect children. All adults should do what is best for children. Governments should make sure children are protected and looked after by their parents, or by other people when this is needed.