

The Richard Clarke First School Newsletter  
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**Dates for the diary: (could be subject to change. Always check newsletters & website)**

Thursday 1st April BREAK UP FOR EASTER  
Monday 19th April **SCHOOL CLOSED INSET DAY**  
Tuesday 20th April school open for pupils

**Happy Easter!**

Thank you to all the staff, parents and children for a wonderful end to the Spring term after such a difficult start. Your kindness and support is valued.

Please keep up the reading practise over the holiday to keep progress up, you all know what you're doing now and your input has shown what a huge difference this makes to your children's progress.

We are looking forward to an enjoyable Summer term.

We hope you have a great Easter break and enjoy some family time together. Please stick to the guidance and come back safe.

Love and best wishes,  
Mrs Hanson

**SPONSORED SPELL FUNDRAISING EVENT MONDAY!**

Congratulations to all the children for their fantastic efforts with the sponsored spell. They were all really proud of their successes. Your children should have bought home their scores and form ready for you to collect the sponsorship money over Easter.



If you prefer to pay via PayPal:

[RCFS.ws15.ptfa@gmail.com](mailto:RCFS.ws15.ptfa@gmail.com) is our PTFA PayPal address you need to use.

Thank you to those who have already brought in your money! We look forward to letting you know how much each class raised after the holiday. Deadline for money is 23rd April.

Thank you so much!!!

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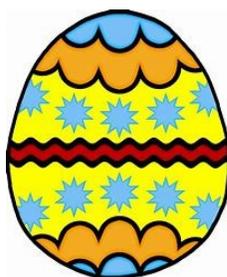
## **We had an eggcellent last day of term!**

Thank you to the PTFA, in particular Mrs Dear, for setting up the Easter egg hunt. Thank you to the top shop for donating the eggs for all the children to take home. Thank you to the children and parents for your £1 contributions and for entering the egg competition, we have had a lovely day!

If you missed the assembly there are photos on the website and videos of the eggs and the children singing on the Google classroom whole school assembly area.

Enjoy and Happy Easter!

<https://www.richardclarke.staffs.sch.uk/category/events/>



## **HEALTH AND WELLBEING WEEK**

We have had a super Wellbeing Week in school this week! It has been a great way to end the Spring Term. We started the week by having a whole school danceathon outside on the playground with Mrs Hanson and Georgia from Burton Albion.

This week, we have also decorated stones, which are going to be put around the church ground to put a smile on the communities face as well as writing posters to say a massive thank you to you, the parents for your hard work and support during the lockdown.

Year 4 also completed a litter pick of different areas of the village to clean up Abbots Bromley.

Finally, we also collected donations for a local pet charity to help the wellbeing of pets. Thank you everybody that helped with this, and brought in donations of pet food, it is very much appreciated!

Thanks, Miss Wain

<https://www.richardclarke.staffs.sch.uk/events/wellbeing-week/>

## **Menu after Easter**

Tuesday:	Cheese & tomato pizza/veggie sausage, mash & gravy
Wednesday:	Roast gammon/pastry slice, roast potatoes & gravy
Thursday:	Pasta Bolognese/vegetarian meatballs in tomato sauce & pasta
Friday:	Fish fingers/veggie taco & chips

## Abbots Bromley Tree trail for all you nature lovers!!

Some of our school Governors have produced a community tree trail for families to enjoy together around Abbots Bromley. Your children will bring home the booklet next week (or get it from the website) that contains a map for you to follow and see if you can find and identify 20 different trees. It should be a fun way of learning some very interesting facts about trees as well as something to do over Easter as a family. We'd love you to take a 'selfie' of your family doing the tree trail and send it into school for the website.



We hope you enjoy, let us know how you get on!!

## CALLING ALL GIRLS IN Y1-4....

### Wildcats Girls Football After School Club

The Wildcats girls football club is in partnership with Burton Albion Ladies. Sessions begin Monday 26th April and will run until end of academic year in July. Commitment can be per half term. £3 per session. Letters home to all girls. Once slip returned places will be allocated and then payment made via parent pay to confirm. Please return slip to school office ASAP as there are a maximum of 16 spaces available.

### Wildcats Easter Session

Burton Albion are holding a girl's only football camp [on Tuesday 13th April](#) for 5- to 14-year-olds. A chance for our Female players in the community to come along have fun, learn skills, and socialise in an engaging atmosphere.

[Start at 9:00am](#), finished by [3:00pm](#).

If you would like more information or book on to this amazing course, please follow the link below.

<https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/burtonalbion/girls-only-soccer-camp.html>

### Clubs and trips

We are looking into the possibility of more clubs and trips later in the Summer term as restrictions are lifted, watch this space!!

## Corona virus update

During my monthly briefing I attended with the LA it seems cases of corona virus drastically fell since Christmas but have risen slightly across the county since the recent opening of schools. With this in mind our operational plan for after Easter will remain very similar to this half term and I would ask that you all help by strictly following all the guidance.

Can I also remind parents of their duty to report positive cases to school so we can carry out our track and trace responsibilities (**even through the Easter holidays**) and if you or your child has any of the main symptoms of Covid-19 then you do have to have a PCR test and not a lateral flow test. Lateral flow tests are only for a-symptomatic testing.

Many thanks for your continued support, Mrs Hanson

See our website for up to date information and links:

<https://www.richardclarke.staffs.sch.uk/news-events/corona-virus-covid-19-information-page/>

### **Remember:**

If your child has a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back, a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual) a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal, you **MUST NOT** send them to school and **MUST** follow the guidance.

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