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June 2023 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

IMPORTANT: Reading books

As you may be aware we have invested a huge amount of money (over £10,000) into our new reading scheme (Read, Write, Inc.) as we aim to give every child the very best start to their education here at Lemington Riverside. All children have recently been given brand new reading books and folders. Unfortunately quite a lot of books have been lost in the first few weeks meaning we have had to spend almost £200 on replacements already. Please can we ask everybody to ensure reading books and other school resources are well looked after and returned to school every day. We work very hard as a school to provide trips and visits free of charge, free uniform bundles, etc. – but these luxuries can only continue if we are not having to re-focus our budget on replacing resources that have been lost. Thank you for your support with this.

Further outdoor developments:

We are delighted to confirm that our brand new athletics track will be installed on the main playground next week and will be in place ready for our sports days later this term! Please

note that due to the construction work next week **the main playground will be out of use from Monday 19th – Friday 23rd June.**

Children in Early Years (Nursery and Reception) should be dropped off and collected from the **Early Years garden** – please use the pedestrian entrance at the bottom of Sugley Street (opposite the corner shop).



Children in all other year groups can be dropped off at the normal entrances, **but should be collected at home time from the top playground near the Edible Playground**. You can access this playground from the large vehicle entrance at the top end of Sugley Street.



Sun safety:

As the lovely Lemington summer arrives, please help us to keep your child sun-safe throughout the day by **applying sun cream before school**, **bringing a bottle of water** and **a sun hat**. Children are welcome to wear shorts on warmer days. Normal school t-shirts should be worn and sleeveless tops should not be worn.

Parent evenings & end of year reports:

Our end of year parents' evenings will take place on **Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th July** between **3:40pm and 6:00pm**. At these meetings your child's class teacher will share with you their end of year report. It's always lovely to catch up with parents at the final parents evening of the year and celebrate all of your child's successes over the year.

Open evening:

Following parent feedback last year, we will be having an open evening on **Tuesday 4th July** between **3:35pm** and **6:00pm** where you will be able to come into school and meet your child's new class teacher and visit your child's new classroom.

Sports day:

We are looking forward to hosting our annual sports days again in school, especially using our brand new sports facilities! Each sports day event will begin at 1:30pm (gates will open at 1:25pm) and parents/carers/grandparents are more than welcome to come along to cheer the children on. Sports days take place on our main playground on the following dates:

- Monday 3rd July Nursery and Reception (Mrs. Corr and Miss Jeffcock's classes).
- Tuesday 4th July Years 1 and 2 (Miss Brush and Ms Turner's classes).
- Wednesday 5th July Years 3 and 4 (Mr. Carter and Mrs. Jamieson's classes).
- Thursday 6th July Years 5 and 6 (Mr. Sayers and Mr. Murphy's classes).

Children are welcome to come to school in their PE kit on their sports day. Please ensure your child applies sun cream/bring a bottle of water/brings a sun hat depending on the weather forecast.

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 4th July – Open evening – come into school and see your child's new classroom for 2023/2024 and meet your child's new teacher (3:35pm – 6:00pm)

Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th July – Parent's evening (between 3:40pm and 6pm)

Wednesday 12th July – Year 6 children transition days to new high schools.

Wednesday 12th July – All other classes will spend the day with their new class teacher.

Thursday 20th July – Year 6 Graduation Ceremony (Main Hall) – all parents/grandparents of year 6 children are welcome as we say farewell to the class of 2023.

Thursday 20th July – We break up for the summer holidays at 3:30pm (Riverside Wraparound open until 6pm). Friday 21st July is a staff training day and school will be closed for all children.