Ramsgate Arts Primary School



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Dear parent/carer,

I am very much looking forward to hosting the next 'The Big Draw' at RAPS after the enormous success of last year's event. The Big Draw is a pioneering visual literacy charity dedicated to raising the profile of drawing as a tool for wellbeing, thought, creativity, social and cultural engagement. The charity leads a diverse programme of advocacy, empowerment and engagement, and is the founder and driving force behind The Big Draw Festival' – the world's biggest celebration of drawing.

The theme for the event this year is 'Drawing with Senses'. I have decided to use the stimuli of 'Food' as our inspiration for this event. I would like children and their families to come together to taste, touch, smell and hear various delightful foods. From this, I'm asking you to draw how this makes you feel in response to the food stimuli. There is a twist, you will be tasting the food with your eyes closed to really immerse yourself in the experience of how this food makes you feel (imagine Remi the Rat in Ratatouille as he embarks on his culinary discovery, watch this clip https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rLXYILcRoPQ).

I would then like you to colour your various drawing creations using a variety of bright, vibrant colours to create a collaborative large-scale art piece that I will be displaying in the Art room.

The event will be held in the school hall from 2pm until 4pm on Friday 17th November. This event is open to all students and their families, please can we ask that no more than 3/4 people per family attend due to the limited space that we have in the hall.

There will be 2 sessions to allow us to plan accordingly for numbers, session one 2-2.55 and session two 3-4 could you please complete the following key survey

link: https://app.keysurvey.co.uk/f/41687940/15af/ by Monday 13th November if you wish to attend. Instructions on when to collect your child for the earlier session will then be communicated to you in due course.

We are expecting this to be a busy event and therefore ask that you consider coming at a slightly later time if you are in KS2 to allow younger students in KS1 to come first with their parents.

This is a wonderful opportunity for you and your children to explore and create a playful, fun art piece together. I really hope you can join your children and the RAPS community to make a glorious art piece that will be entertaining and memorable for all.

Yours sincerely Mrs K Smith – Art Teacher



