

# Rackheath Primary School

## Newsletter

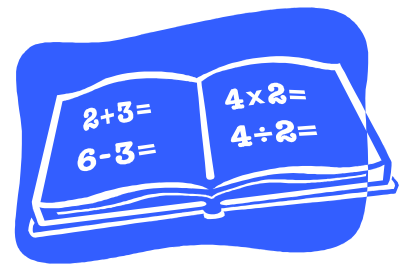
22<sup>nd</sup> November 2013

The children have been taking part in activities this week about being friendly to each other. The Year 1 assembly yesterday was about being a good friend and was amazing. Next week sees the turn of Reception.

### Maths Certificates

This week we are launching certificates that link to key maths skills. When children earn a certificate it means they have achieved a key maths skill which will support their future mathematical learning. These key skills are:

- Counting to 20
- Counting in 2's
- Counting in 10's
- **Counting in 5's**
- Counting backwards in 2's, 5's and 10's
- **Knowing number bonds for 10, 20 and 100.**
- Learning their 2 and 10 times tables
- Learning their 5 and 9 times tables
- Learning their 3 and 4 times tables
- Learning their 6, 7 and 8 times tables
- **Learning all their tables up to 12X12**
- **Use their knowledge of tables to learn division and multiplication facts**



All these certificates represent key landmarks in a child's maths development. In school the children do a lot of work on these skills and anything they can do at home to support this learning is great. We will soon be sending home a guide to learning tables to help you with this.

The certificates listed in bold are special certificates. These will be presented in assembly and the children will gain a place on our maths "Hall of Fame" display board. To get these certificates you will need to see Mrs Pallant or Mr Ashman who will ask you questions to see if you have got the certificate.

**Cross Country** – I have had great fun running around the field with Year 3, 4, 5 and 6. The plan is to carry on every Monday and Friday morning at 8.15am up until Christmas.



**Operation Christmas Child** – We collected 68 shoeboxes this year. Thank you to everyone who filled a box, especially members of Salhouse Beavers who brought in several. You will make 68 children very happy this Christmas.

## Bollywood Afternoon



On the afternoon of Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November, Tina from Jaya Dance came in to class 4. She taught us a dance from Bollywood in India. She taught us an Indian Dance. We learnt the Padma and the Lotus dance moves. We then put all our dance moves we had learnt together to form one dance. We got to dress up in Indian sari fabrics. Some people got to wear bindis on their forehead. It was a really good experience and lots of fun.

At the end of the day we got to show the rest of the school our dance and we got the whole school to join in. Everyone did well.

Report by Gemma and Luke

## Aylmerton Residential

The majority of the children from Year 5 and 6 visited Aylmerton last week and had an amazing time. They took part in lots of exciting activities, visiting the seals at Blakeney, a monster trail and den building to name a few. Here are some quotes from the children:

Caitlin – *“I enjoyed the marsh walk because we had to take our shoes and socks off, also we held worms and it was muddy!”*

Annalise – *“The monster trail was the best part of the trip because it was exciting and we got a big surprise when they jumped out on us in the woods and shot water pistols at us!”*

Poppy – *“I enjoyed the team building activities the most, as it was great to work with the Year 5s and work together well as a team.”*

Sam – *“I enjoyed ten pin bowling because we kept on fighting and didn't give up and didn't come in last.”*

Roan – *“I enjoyed jumping in the pool and going on the slide at Splash!”*

A big thanks to Mrs Grogutt, Mrs Goddard, Ms Holmes, Mr Edwards, Mr Ashman and Miss Brannan for sharing the experience with us!



## Coltishall vs Neatishead Football Match

Yesterday the school football team continued their great start to the season with a 5-1 win over Neatishead. Good passing and precise finding saw the team quickly move into a 3-0 lead, with 2 goals from Kai Wickham and 1 from Oliver Milligan. At the other end Salvu Keeble in goal, along with Ebony Culling and Lydia Moll made sure that Neatishead attacks were quickly broken up, while Captain Charlie Swatman and Sam Watts were a constant danger on the wings. As the game progressed Charlotte Abramson, Roan Smith and William Grant all came on and did well. The team went on to add 2 more goals with Kai completing his hat-trick and William scoring his first goal for the school.



Another good display from all involved in the team. Next week the team visit Worstead to play their last game before Christmas.

## School Council / Eco Committee

### School Council Positions

|             |                |
|-------------|----------------|
| Chairperson | Poppy Morley   |
| Vice Chair  | Sam Watts      |
| Secretary   | Rosie Milligan |
| Treasurer   | Marcus Gardner |

### Eco Committee

The Eco-Committee is organising, with the help of Mrs Goddard, a second hand Toy Sale on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm in the school hall. All money raised goes to our chosen charity of 'Nepal in Need'. Please help us to raise as much money as possible by bringing in any unwanted toys, games, puzzles, cuddly toys, DVDs, books or anything else you think may be appropriate for our sale. You can bring any items you have to school reception.



### Nepal in Need

This year our School Council and Eco Committee have chosen to fundraise for the charity Nepal in Need. This is an entirely volunteer led organisation and all trustees pay their own expenses which means all the money raised and received goes straight to the people of Nepal to help them with their healthcare and education to enable them to lead a better and healthier life.

### Christmas Fayre Cake Stall

The cake stall will be in full flow again as usual. If anyone would like to bring in any buns or cakes which can be decorated in school please bring in to the office on the morning of Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Many thanks Mrs Goddard and Miss Holmes.



## ***Year 5 and 6 Virgin Money Project***

*As part of the Virgin Money “Make £5 Grow” project years 5 and 6 will be hosting a mini Christmas market in the school hall to sell their wares. Virgin Money has donated £5 per pupil to take part to invest in a project to make money apprentice style! Whatever profits the pupils make will be theirs to spend on a class outing or treat at the end of the 12 weeks as a reward for their hard work and entrepreneurial skills.*



*Please come along and support them and spend your money! The Christmas Market will be open on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 8:45am-9:30am and 2:30-3:30pm and also on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 8:45am-9:30am and 2:30-3:30pm.*

**Star, Angel and Diamond Certificate Winners** – Well done to the following children who got their certificates in assembly today.

|           | <b>STAR</b>        | <b>ANGEL</b>                | <b>DIAMOND</b>      |
|-----------|--------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Reception | Nicole Rump        | Connie Snowden              | Sophie Appleton     |
| Year 1    | Caedn Huckle       | Katie Moore                 | Lily Stone          |
| Year 2    | Mackenzie Ettridge | Molly Broadwater            | Sonny Hurn          |
| Year 3    | Rhianna Tibbs      | Taylan Harris               | Matt Rivett         |
| Year 4    | Ethan Cullum       | John Barrett                | Ryan Daynes         |
| Year 5    | Carter Daniels     | Maria Braithwaite           | Georgia-Mae Hammond |
| Year 6    | Ebony Culling      | Reuben Dorling-Winterbourne | Katie Nurse         |

With Best Wishes

*Chris Ashman*