

Rackheath Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 5th May 2017



SATS Week – Next week from Monday to Thursday Year 6 will be sitting their SATS tests. All through the year they have all been working really hard and so however they do in their tests they can be very proud of their efforts. I am sure that over the weekend they will be getting a good rest and going to bed nice and early. We look forward to seeing them all at SATs breakfast from 8:15am on Monday.

On Friday, to celebrate the end of SATS and to reward them for all their hard work, we are taking the class on a treat. We are off to the Marina Centre in Great Yarmouth for a swim before having fish and chips for lunch and spending time on the seafront.

School Funding

There has been a lot of information in the media recently about cuts to school budgets across the country. As a Headteacher this is something that is a concern and as a member of the NAHT (National Association of Headteachers) I do support and share their view that something needs to be done. However, the indications we have are that our school would not be hit as hard as some schools may well be. I would like to reassure parents that although we may have to make some savings we have no intention of making any staffing cuts.



Parent Survey – Our annual parent survey will be out next week. We really value your views and appreciate the fact that we usually have a high proportion of completed surveys returned.

Geography Day – On Thursday 25th May we have a special Geography Day, organised by Mr Cavender, where the whole school will be working on the same project. It promises to be an exciting day.



Year 1 Assembly Date Change – To fit in Geography Day we have had to move Year 1's class assembly to the day before, Wednesday 24th May. The assembly will start at the usual time of 2.40pm. We hope this doesn't cause any inconvenience.

Reception Class Outside Area



With the weather (hopefully) improving Reception staff have lots of plans to set up exciting learning opportunities for the children. In a busy day the best time to do this is before school. We appreciate this can then be tempting for younger ones and would really appreciate your help in keeping the children off equipment before the start of the day.

Quiz Club

On the 28th of April our team went to Quiz Club at Mayfield Primary, Warwick Road in Cambridge. Me (Cian McAulay), Molly Broadwater, Bethan Lancaster and Jay Barrett went to the station and caught the 11:40am train to Cambridge to be ready for the quiz that took place from 2.00pm -3.00pm. There were seven teams competing from Nottingham, Cambridge, Kings Lynn, Leicestershire and more. There were 40 questions over 2 rounds and they were worth 20, 40, 60, 80 and 100 points respectively. At the end of the quiz, we came third with 1680 points, with Edmund De Moundford (Thetford) coming second and Fleckney (Leicester) first. It was a super fun experience and I'm sure we all enjoyed it loads.



By Cian McAulay

Curiosity Cafés – This week Year 1 have been on a local walk with parents and Years 3 and 2 have held cafes in school. After a break for SATS week we have 3 more cafes; Reception on Tuesday 16th, Year 4 on Wednesday 17th and Year 5 on Thursday 18th May.



KS1 multi-skills – On Wednesday Year 2 children took part in cluster multi-skills at St Johns. Despite the cold the children all had a great time and were a great credit to the school.

Girls' Football – Spring Cup

Last Friday the girls' football team played in the North Norfolk Spring Cup. After losing their previous tournament in the final on a penalty shoot-out the girls were determined to go one better this time. This determination was clear to see in our group games as the girls beat; Cromer Two 4-0, Salhouse 3-0 and Colby 3-0 before drawing 0-0 with Millfield.



As group winners we then played Bure Valley who had been runners-up in the other group in the semi-final. The team got off to a great start, scoring twice in the first 5 minutes and ended up winning 2-1. In the final we played Cromer. In a really competitive game defences were on top and after 12 minutes of normal time and 5 minutes of extra time the score was still 0-0. As a result the two schools were both declared deserved winners of the tournament.

Well done to all the girls who played. You were all fantastic! The squad was; Olivia Crook in goal, Georgie Greenfield, Ruby Horwood and Amelia- Mai Evans in defence, Macy Wickham, Rosie Milligan (5 goals) Holly Whayman (Captain and 2 goals) in midfield and Ruby Culling (5 goals) in attack.



School Uniform – Our next Retro Alley school uniform pop-up shop will be on Tuesday 16th May from 2.45pm.

Premier Sports at Rackheath Village Hall

This half term Premier Sports are holding a holiday club on Wednesday 31st May and Friday 2nd June. This time it will be held at the Village Hall rather than at the school. You can find out more details and book a space online at premier-education.com or by phone on Tel: 01953 499040.

The school will be hosting the camps in the summer holiday as usual.





Photographer - On Monday 15th May we have a photographer coming to take class photos for Year 6 and Reception as well as team and club photographs.

Our lucky winners this month are as follows:

1st (No 5) Rebecca Houston

2nd (No 98) Sharon Bird

3rd (No 46) Jill Fiddy



..... Year 2 are visiting the Cathedral on Wednesday 10th May Year 4 and Reception are doing some road safety training on Tuesday 9th



Well done to Year 3 who had 100% attendance last week!

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

	STAR	ANGEL	DIAMOND
Reception	Ellie Broadwater	Ralph Moll	Lacey Hudson
Year 1	Imogen Rump	Corey Carpenter	Kody Addison
Year 2	Chloe Smith	Caitlyn Moore	Jacob Lancaster
Year 3	Molly Jakobczyk	Max Buckingham	Mia Jenkinson
Year 4	Rebecca Burrows	Mason Parfitt-Bland	Aaron Knights
Year 5	Brooke Perrins	Sonny Hurn	Mackenzie Ettridge
Year 6	Holly Whayman	Charlie Crisp	All of Year 6

Have a lovely weekend.

Chris Ashman