

Rackheath Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 11th November 2016

Head for the Day

On Tuesday 8th November (Mr Bond and Miss Culling) turned into heads for the day. They had to: answer emails, design a questionnaire sheet, do a tour around the school to see what needs doing, help with year 2's guided reading, help with assembly and plan out some expenditure. Mr Bond said that his favourite part was doing the school tour and Miss Culling said her favourite part was drinking the hot chocolate. All in all they both had a great day and they are sad they can't do it again! Thank you Mr Ashman



Children in Need – As you know this will take place next Friday. The cost to take part is £1 and the theme is "Dress up Spotty". There will also be fun, sporty and spotty races during lunchtime at 20p per go.

Music in assembly – A big well done to Maddie Woodcock in Year 5 who played for us at the start and end of assembly today!!



The club continues to go from strength to strength. As such this is a great example of everyone involved working together. The staff have developed the club as it has evolved, parents have made the administration of the club really simple by always picking up on time and paying really promptly and the children have been fantastic. A big thank you from me to all involved!

Brancaster Trip – Our intrepid Year 6 children will soon be heading off for an exciting week at Brancaster Field Studies Centre. Mr Cavender, Mrs Goddard, Ms Holmes and Mr Edwards (Thursday and Friday) will be taking the children on the trip. I'm sure everyone

will have a super time. Again I must thank the staff who give up their time so selflessly to give our children exciting experiences

School and Eco-Council Elections – On Monday and Tuesday we will be holding elections for both committees. This means that pupils will need to have their speech ready prepared for those days to read to their class. One boy and one girl from each class will be elected. Eco Committee elections are open to Years 3-6 students and School Council is open to all year groups including reception (reception children are not expected to write a speech unless they would like to. After the votes have been counted the results will be announced in assembly on Thursday. Our new Eco-Council's first job will be to visit the site of the NDR and take part in some tree planting at the end of November.



Poppies and Armistice Day

Over the course of the last week we have been remembering the sacrifice of those in the armed forces and their families. We joined together as a school at 11.00am today to observe the silence. Over the week the children have been buying and wearing their poppies with pride.

Year 5 and 6 E-Safety PCSO visit - Last week the PCSO team visited Year 5 and 6 to talk about how to stay safe on line which included a discussion and presentation on Cyber-Bullying.



Winter Breaktime - As it gets colder and wetter the field is out of action a lot at break and lunchtime. Over the last few years we have gained over 30 children, the equivalent of a class, as such the playground is getting quite congested. For safety reasons we have decided to split break times in the morning. From Monday Reception, Year 1 and 2 will have break together and Year 3 to 6 will have their break together.

RE Visits – Next week different year groups have trips to the Cathedral, a mosque and synagogue. Staff have been very impressed by the understanding our children have shown when it comes to showing respect for the beliefs of others. In our own small way our visits promote tolerance and understanding which has to be a good thing for the future.



Book Look Dates

Our first parent book look of the year starts next week. You are invited in from 2.30pm to share your child's books and listen to them talk about work they are



especially proud of. Year 4 book look is on Monday 14th, Year 6 is on Wednesday 16th, Year 5's on Monday 21st, Year 3 is on Tuesday 22nd, Year 2 is on Wednesday 23rd and Year 1 on Thursday 24th.



Mural – Every day the mural in the hall looks more and more amazing. It really brightens up the hall and the children love it!

Photographs – You should all have received copies of the photographs taken on Thursday orders need to be in by the end of next week or you can order online yourself.

Sport Update



Cross Country – Well done to our intrepid Friday morning cross country runners. Each week we have around 15 which means there are still placers available for the Cluster Cross Country on the 30th November. There will be a practice on Monday 14th at lunchtime so if you are interested make sure you bring PE kit.

Football V Coltishall – Well done to the school football team who continued their 100% start to the season with a 4-0 win in a good game against Coltishall.



Football Practice – Unfortunately there is no football practice again for Year 4, 5 and 6 on Tuesday 15th as there is another home match. This is the last game until at least February – so this will be the last time for a while.

FORS



100 Club – You should all have received a letters this week so that you can sign up for 100 club that will begin in January. Further forms available from the school office.

FORS non-school uniform day – Thank you to you all for supporting the FORS non-school uniform day. Lots of prizes and money were donated – which is greatly appreciated

Bag2school – thank you for the bags that have been brought in already. Collection date is Thursday 17th November

Festive Fayre – Tickets can bought at the office. Cost is £2 each and includes entry into £50 draw.

Year 1 Assembly – Yesterday it was Year 1's turn put on an assembly extravaganza. The class showed us their acting, singing and dancing skills as well as sharing some super work. The class have certainly had a packed, exciting and fun start to the year. Next week it is Reception's turn to put on their first ever class assembly – I can't wait!

Governor Day and Reception Parent Feedback - On Thursday 17th it is Reception's first class assembly at 2.40pm. It is also our Governor Day as such our school governors would very much like to speak to parents from Reception to gather your views on your child's experience of their first couple of months at Rackheath. If you are happy to share your views a group of governors will be ready to meet you from 2.20pm. Don't worry they will be finished before assembly starts!



House Captain's Award



Ranworth	Abi Peel
Hickling	Alfie Betts
Oulton	Kieron Trorey
Barton	Brooke Halsey



Well done to Year 3 who had 99% 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	Eden Martin	Jack Fleetwood	Scarlet Curle
Year 1	Ellie Trabelsi	Holly Addison	Everyone!!
Year 2	Adam Houston	Gideon Martin	George Solomon
Year 3	Jay Barrett	Connie Snowden	Chloe Smith
Year 4	Caedn-Marc Huckle	Hannah Scotton	Danielle Ramm
Year 5	Calum Buckingham	Montie Mann	Callum O'Kane
Year 6	Charlie Clarke	Georgie Greenfield	Leon Cramer-McConnell

Chris Ashman