

Rackheath Primary School Newsletter

Friday 15th September 2017



Staff News – Sadly we will be saying good bye to Mrs Wooltorton as she is starting a new job in Health and Safety. Her last day with us will be Thursday 21st September. Mrs Wooltorton joined the school at the same time that I did and since then she has done a great job working with and supporting children and families. I know her help has made a real difference for many of you. We will all miss her a great deal and wish her all the best for the future.

We are looking to appoint someone to the role but in the interim Mrs Goddard and I will be picking up Mrs Wooltorton's work in school.

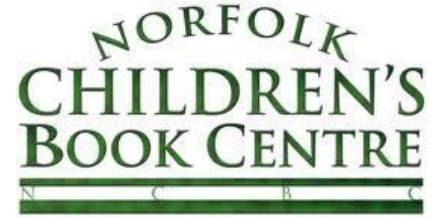
Our first full week back has certainly been a busy and exciting one. Roald Dahl day was a great success on Wednesday. The children and staff looked amazing and everyone enjoyed a packed day of learning and activities, including searching for Golden Tickets, beard and chocolate bar designing. A great big thank you to all of you for getting involved as well as the staff for giving their usual 100% effort to the week's events. I must also pass on a special thank you to Shane and Abbie in the kitchen who put on a super Roald Dahl themed lunch at very short notice – which even included a crocodile carved out of snozzcumber!



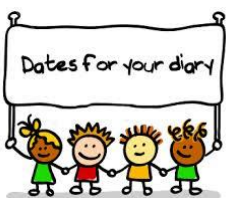


Later this evening we welcome everyone back to school for a special reading café with bedtime stories and hot chocolate. Let's hope the weather allows us to build the camp fire!

Next week year 3 to 6 are visiting the Norfolk Children's Book Centre and then on Friday 22nd the Book Centre are visiting school to do some reading activities with the younger children. **At the end of the day on Friday 22nd the Book Centre are holding a book fair here.** We hope you will be able to support this and pick up some fantastic books to read at home.



Reception and Year 6 buddies – One of the highlights of the week has been the great connections made between our new reception class and our Year 6 children. It has been lovely to see their friendships develop over shared lunchtimes. You can see the confidence it gives our youngest children and the sense of responsibility it gives to our eldest children.



Diary Change – Year 3's class assembly will be on Wednesday 11th October with Reception's assembly on Thursday 12th October. Both assemblies start at 2:40pm.

Premier Sports – Will be offering 2 new clubs this term, details of which have been sent out today. They will run Street Dance on a Wednesday before school and Archery after school.



Fundraiser for Callum – Next Saturday, 23rd September, there is a fun event organised by Carl Webb one of our parents, for Callum in Year 3, there will be loads of stalls and live music. This is on Jubilee Park starting at 1.00pm. A flier went home earlier in the week with more information.



Retro Alley[®] **School Uniform** – We had our first visit from Retro Alley our school uniform provider on Tuesday. They will be in school again for the whole of both parents evening days which are Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th October, with Tuesday being the late evening. Recently we have been talking to them about possible new lines, for example school sports caps, should you have any ideas it would be good to hear from you.

Curiosity Café Dates

Our first Curiosity Café will link to reading and will run between Monday 25th September and Friday 6th October. These offer a great opportunity to enjoy working in class with your children. All cafes start at 9.00am and finish at 10.00am and as last year you are welcome to join us for a drink before-hand in the DT room. Café dates are as follows:

- Wednesday 27th September – Year 6
- Thursday 28th September – Year 4
- Friday 29th September – Year 3
- Tuesday 3rd October – Year 2
- Wednesday 4th October – Reception
- Thursday 5th October – Year 5
- Friday 6th October – Year 1



Reception Parents introduction to Tapestry

After school on Wednesday 4th October the Reception team will be holding a session for parents introducing Tapestry. Tapestry is a great way for parents to not only see their child's learning journey through Reception but also to contribute to the online platform with news from home. We ran this last year for the first time and it was very popular with both parents and children.



CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Clubs run by school staff are now full in nearly all cases. They all start next week:

- Monday Homework Club with Miss Maibaum - Years 3 to 6
Multi-Skills Club with Mr Cavender - Reception, Year 1 and 2.
- Tuesday Football Club with Mr Ashman and Mr Edwards - Years 4 to 6
- Wednesday Gardening Club with Ms Bartlett - Years 4 to 6
- Thursday Netball Club with Mrs Pilbrow - Years 4 - 6
Football Club with Mr Ashman - Years 2 - 3
- Friday Cross Country before school with Mr Ashman - Years 3 - 6.

All afternoon clubs run between 3.00pm and 4.00pm. Cross Country starts at 8.20am.

FORS AGM will be held on Friday 22nd September at 2.00pm in school. We look forward to welcoming new members to our committee, if you can't attend please leave your contact details at school office. We would like to welcome Treena Barrett as Chairperson and Suzanne Fleetwood as Treasurer in their new roles and they look forward to meeting both existing and new members.



Well done to Year 4 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
Year 1	Natalia Lukaszewicz	Jack Johns	Jessica Lines
Year 2	Eleanor Royston	Olivia Read	Jack Brown
Year 3	Hattie Smith	Charlotte Ritchie	Tyrone Tetteh
Year 4	Alice Shaw Lily-Mae Wright	All of Year 4	Carys Tomlinson
Year 5	Katie Moore	Hannah Scotton	Keegan Mickleburgh
Year 6	Niamh Harris	Luke Royston	All of Year 6

Have a super weekend!

Chris Ashman