

Rackheath Primary School

Newsletter



Friday 21st November

The weeks seem to be flying by at the moment. It is hard to believe it will soon be December and we will be into the run up to Christmas. It has been another busy and productive week at Rackheath and the next few weeks are equally packed.



Farm to Fork - This week Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 have really enjoyed the opportunity to visit Tesco. Debby from the Community Team really looked after us all and the children had a super time making bread, trying cheese and making fruit kebabs amongst other things.

Rackheath hit the charts

On Monday the whole school got to be singing stars as we recorded our Christmas CD. The Year 4 class became the recording studio as each class, the choir and the staff took turns to sing their songs before the whole school squeezed into Year 4 for a performance of "We Wish You A Merry Christmas". The final result sounded great (except maybe the staff song). I would like to thank Miss Brannan for organising everything and Mrs Chapman for rehearsing all the classes and for her fantastic piano playing. This is your last chance to place an order, if you haven't already done so, it would make a great Christmas Gift for Grandparents, etc. Order forms are available from the office and should be in by no later than end of school on Tuesday.



Children in Need – Last Friday everyone was a hero as we raised **£186.32!!** Thank you for your generosity.

Diarrhoea and Vomiting – We have rather a lot of this going around school at the moment. If your child does suffer from one of these bugs / viruses they should not return to school until **48hrs** after their last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.



Sumdog (<http://www.sumdog.com/>)

Next week your child will bring home a letter along with a log-in to a website known as sumdog. On this website children are able to play on a variety of fun and engaging games and must answer maths based questions to win - they are rewarded by receiving coins (the more correct answers the more coins) which they can use to edit/improve their profile.

The benefit of this site is that the class teacher is able to set specific maths skills for your child's particular needs. As well as this your child's class teacher will receive reports from the site that let them know how your child is getting on.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr Cavender.

Maths Monkey - At some point over the next year your child will bring home their class Maths Monkey to spend some time in your home! You will also have a log book that comes home with the Monkey. Your child will need to fill in the log book with some 'real life' maths that are in the home by using Maths Monkey! Your child can draw, colour, write or stick in anything that helps show what type of week the monkey has had – photographs can also be stuck in! Year 5 have already started taking their monkey (called Mickey Maths) home and so far he has been bowling, been on a residential, had a bed made for him and he has been on a shopping trip – each time real life maths have taken place and it has been recorded in the log book.

Pantomime – Next week we start the week with a treat as Sleeping Beauty the Pantomime comes to Rackheath on Monday morning. It should be a great show but will it be as good as the staff panto last year? Oh yes it will! Oh no it won't! etc...



FORS NEWS

SPREE Books - We raised £145.00 selling these this year. Thank you for your support!

Christmas Fayre - Thank you for your donations of Chocolate and money towards the Hampers. Raffle tickets will come home in book bags next week.

Festive Fayre – We still have tickets available for this, come and join us for a girly night!! - £2.00 per ticket.



Website – There are some super new pictures on the website this week. Reception and Year 3 have photos from Farm to Fork. There are Kingswood photos on the Year 6 page and pictures from Poppy Day from Reception and Year 3 as well as a Year 2 class diary.

Rackheath Win the North Norfolk Girls Football Tournament

On Tuesday the 18th November 2014 the girls Charlotte, Freya, Maria, Kiera, Gemma, Lydia, Daisy and Caitlin went to Millfield Primary for a Football Tournament.

Feeling confident we played our first match which was against Stalham, Maria and Freya were in defence Charlotte Daisy and Caitlin were in midfield and Lydia as striker. Luckily near the end Lydia scored the first goal of the tournament! The next match we played was against North Walsham with Freya in goal, Gemma and Daisy in defence, Charlotte, Kiera and Caitlin as Midfielders and once again Lydia as our striker. Kiera and Lydia scored our winning goals which made us win 2-0! Then we played Millfield, they were tough to play especially



as we drew 0-0 which was a tiny bit annoying and upsetting...but on a more positive note the next match we played was against Sheringham and we won 3-0!!! Then after a five minute break we found out our scores and **WE WON!!!!!!** It was great! And now we are off to play in the county finals!! The person of the match was... Charlotte.

Report By Freya And Charlotte.



Boys football v Coltishall – The boys teams unbeaten run came to an end as we were beaten by Coltishall in the Cup. In a game that was closer than the score suggests the boys played some good football but just couldn't finish off the moves and lost 5 -1.



Cross Country – On Wednesday 32 children are representing Rackheath in the cluster cross country competition at Coltishall. Those children involved took letters home today. We will let you know how they got on next week.

Numeracy Cafes – On Thursday Reception enjoyed their numeracy café. Next week there are Numeracy Cafes in Year 5 on Tuesday, Year 1 and 3 on Thursday and Year 6 on Friday. Last week's Year 4 Numeracy Café had to be cancelled due to staff illness

Christmas Performances

Our Christmas performance rehearsals are starting soon. The dates and times of performances are below. Like last year we would ask anyone who wants to take photographs or record the performance to sit or stand at the back. Similarly if pre-school children come to watch could they sit in a place where they can quickly take a break if they are unsettled.



Dates and times for performances are listed below. Please arrive 10 minutes before the performance starts.

Monday 8th December 10.00am – Reception Dress Rehearsal

Tuesday 9th December 10.00am - Year 1/2 Dress Rehearsal
1.45pm - Reception Performance

Wednesday 10th December 10.00am - Year 1/2 Performance
1.45pm - Reception Performance 1.45

Thursday 11th December 1.45pm - Year 1/2 Performance

Monday 15th December 1.30pm - KS2 Dress Rehearsal
6.00pm – KS2 Performance

Wednesday 17th December 6.00pm - KS2 Performance

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

	STAR	ANGEL	DIAMOND
Reception	Gideon Martin	Charlotte Mann	Caitlyn Moore
Year 1	Rebecca Hill	Jay Barrett	Sophie Appleton
Year 2	Isobel Crisp	Billie Turner	Keegan Mickleburgh
Year 3	Ruby Donnelly	Luke Royston	Dylan Cullum
Year 4	Charlie Clarke	Marcus Gardner	Hannah Peel
Year 5	Tom Elliff	Holly Warrington	Charlie Pilbrow
Year 6	Maria Braithwaite	Carter Daniels	Ben Finch

Chris Ashman