

Rackheath Primary School Newsletter

Friday 23rd September 2016

School Mosaic – It has been great to have Carolyn Ash, a local artist, working with our children this week to create a fantastic mosaic representing the life of the school. So far Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 have had the opportunity to work in small groups on their class mosaic. Each class is completing a circular mosaic created from the winning design in their class. The judges had a very tricky task but in the end the following children had their designs used as a basis for their class mosaic.

Reception	Honey Wright
Year 1	Ronan Swanson
Year 2	Zach Dawson
Year 3	William Finch
Year 4	Ideas taken from lots of the class designs
Year 5	Eloisa Orme and Mia Westley (ideas combined)
Year 6	Taylan Harris



After all the mosaics have been completed they will be brought together in a spectacular final design to be displayed on an outside wall.



Music certificates – It was lovely to be able to present 3 of our children with their Initial Grade Certificates for guitar in assembly today. Well done to Cian McAuley, Stanley Bond and Matt Rivett, who along with Kiera Braithwaite are the first children to get their grading as a result of the peripatetic lessons in school.



School Car Park

Just a reminder that the car park is for staff cars only unless an exception has been agreed with Mr Ashman. This is particularly important at the start and end of the day when we have over 200 young children starting school or nursery. Their safety is paramount. Sometimes our younger children can leave the paths and at their height would not necessarily be visible in rear view mirrors. Similarly our older children sometimes walk home alone and lots of children ride scooters and bikes on the way home. After 3.00pm the school is still busy with children being picked up from clubs and now we have After School Club the number of children on site has increased still further. Thank you for your consideration.

Y6 assembly - Yesterday Year 6 entertained the school and their parents with an excellent class assembly linked to the career paths they hope to follow. It was great to hear all their plans in an assembly completely written by the class.

Staffing

Mrs Chapman will be leaving us at half term to take up a post working at the hospital as a Phlebotomist. In the 3 years I have known her Mrs Chapman has done a fantastic job and her dedication to the school and the children has shone through. We will all be very sad to see her leave but we are very pleased to say that Mrs Chapman has kindly offered to keep running the choir with Mrs Grogutt as well as to play the piano at special events, like the Christmas Performance, which is really kind of her and reflects what a thoughtful person she is.



House Captains – On Monday we will be holding elections for Year 6 House Captains. I know this is going to be an incredibly close and tough decision this year, with all the Year 6 children having the potential to be super house captains.

School Library Weekend Opening

Mrs Grogutt and Ms Holmes are opening up the school library on Saturday 15th October. The library will be open for children and families between 10:30am and 12.00pm. Come along and join them for refreshments and the chance to share books with your children.



Race for Life / Macmillan - Friday 30th September

Don't forget that next Friday is our Macmillan Coffee Morning (9.00am - 10.15am) and Race for Life (10.30-11.00am Reception/KS1; 11.00am - 11.30am KS2). Please keep collecting your sponsorship money for this excellent charity, and remember to wear something fun and sporty on the day. We hope to see lots of family members at both events so please come along if you can. We would also love to see family members joining their children to walk / run the Race for Life so come prepared!

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As Year 3 are on a trip into Norwich next Friday they can wear non-school uniform on Thursday and will also take part in the Race for Life then.

Sport fixtures – Next Tuesday our school football season kicks off with a home game against Hoveton St John. We hope to see lots of supporting the team. **Unfortunately this does mean there is no football club for Year 4, 5 and 6 on Tuesday 27th September.**

Governor Elections

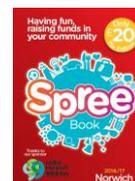
As we have received 4 nominations for our vacancies for parent governors it is necessary for us to hold an election. You will have received today two ballot papers (as each parent / carer is allowed a vote) along with brief biographies of the candidates. Please could you return these to the school office in the envelope provided by no later than Friday 30th September (12pm).

Elections



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Spree Books – You should have received one of these with your child today. If you wish to purchase your book please return payment to the office where you will be issued with a membership card. For further details see their website www.spreebook.com



Attendance Bear

Well done to Year 2 and Year 6 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	Leo Pask	Yuan Staley	Natalia Lukaszewicz
Year 1	Amy-Leigh Knights	Theo Hallam	Harvey Moore
Year 2	Hattie Smith	Charlotte Ritchie	Joshua Hill
Year 3	Jacob Avery	Nicole Rump	Darcey Wright
Year 4	Daniel Cropley	Aaron Knights	Archie Fiddy
Year 5	Beth Tomlinson	Mackenzie Ettridge	Niamh Harris
Year 6	Charlie Hayhoe	Ruby Culling	Samuel Abramson

Have a great weekend.

Chris Ashman