

Rackheath Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 26th February 2016

This half term may be short but it is an incredibly busy and exciting one. Next week we have our DT Day which Mr Edwards has put together. Later in the term we have Science Week organised by Mrs Pulford which is shaping up to be a super week. More details about the week can be found below. At the same time we are heading in to a busy time for sports fixture and the choir.

Year 2 Assembly

On Thursday Year 2 treated us to a super assembly linked to The Great Fire of London. All the children spoke, acted and sang really well. Their costumes and wigs were very impressive too!



What made it even more impressive was the fact that the children had only had a few days since half term to put it together. As usual lots of hard work had been put in by the staff, so thank you to Mrs Grogutt, Mrs Rivett, Mrs Milligan and Mrs Spurling.

Class Assemblies

The last 3 dates for assemblies this term are:

Thursday 3rd March	Year 1 at 2.40pm
Thursday 10th March	Year 3 at 2.40pm
Thursday 17th March	Reception at 9.00am



Key Stage 1 Assessments Explained

On Tuesday 1st March at 2.15pm there will be a meeting led by Mrs Grogutt and Mr Ashman for Year 2 parents about the way Year 2 children are assessed and the tests the children take in May. The New National Curriculum has changed the assessment process, the way the tests are carried out, the skills that are tested and the way the results are reported so we very much hope you will all be able to join us.

DT Day Tuesday 1st March – Thank you to everyone who has brought in cardboard boxes and other material for our DT modelling day it is much appreciated. You can still bring stuff in up until Tuesday.

Science Week Information



Dress As A Scientist - Exciting times ahead for Rackheath pupils! National Science & Engineering week kicks off on Friday 11 March and to celebrate we would like staff and pupils, wherever possible, to dress up! You might choose to be a scientist, inventor or engineer. Perhaps a famous scientist?! Maybe you are keen on an invention - perhaps you could come as electricity, a rocket or a mobile phone?! Creativity is key! (It would be advisable for comfy clothes to be worn under any costumes so that children can still participate in experiments) There will be a certificate for the best dressed in each class and a prize for the best dressed in reception and KS1 and another prize for the winner in KS2. The children will vote on the best dressed staff member!



Visiting Scientist - The fun will continue into the following week with a real geneticist coming in to carry out science workshops with every class. Watch this space for how it all goes. We're really looking forward to some very hands-on, memorable and creative learning experiences.

Mrs Pulford

Football Members Cup v Stalham

On Thursday the school played Stalham in the second round of the cup. In a very good game, played in an excellent spirit, both teams produced some very good football. The first half was close with Rackheath edging it 2-1. In the second half the boys really pushed on and scored 4 goals without reply to win 6-1. The whole side were excellent with Marcus Gardner in goal and Lewis Story and Luke Mayes in defence putting on great displays. In midfield Alfie Mann, Freddie Ottolangui, Finley Betts, Josh Perrins and Hayden Parfitt- Bland linked well and worked hard while up front Dylan Parnell was a constant threat. Our goals came from Alfie (3) Dylan (2) and an own goal.

The game is the start of a busy period of football with games and tournaments coming up in the next few weeks for girls and boys in Year 5 and 6. We also have netball fixtures in the pipeline.



Year 1 Parent's Evening - We are all very pleased to see that Miss Hughes is on the mend and feeling more like her normal self. This week Year 1 had their re-arranged parent's evening. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Year 1 parents for being supportive, flexible and understanding.

Curiosity Café Dates

These will commence week beginning Monday 7th March and will take place at 9am as follows:

Tuesday 8 th	Year 5
Wednesday 9 th	Year 2
Thursday 10 th	Year 4
Monday 14 th	Year 1
Thursday 17 th	Year 6
Friday 18 th	Year 3



Goodbye – We say good bye to Rhianna Dashwood in Year 2 today. We all wish Rhianna all the best for the future in her new school.

FORS

Disco - Tickets for this will be sent home next week and the disco will be held on Friday 11th March.



Bag2school - You should all have received a bag and a flier for this. You can return your bag / bags to the school reception anytime. Please refer to www.bag2school.com to see what can be included in your bag.



Easter Egg Hunt - We will be holding our annual Easter Egg Hunt after school on Wednesday 23rd March. Further details to follow

Money - When paying for any FORS activities please can you make sure that monies and slips are returned in an envelope and clearly marked with child's name and class and that any cheques are made payable to FORS. Many thanks.

Homework Club – This will be taking place on the following dates from 3pm – 4pm. Please sign up with the office if you would like your child to attend:

Friday 4th March

Friday 11th March

Friday 18th March



House Captain's Award

When Ella Poole and Alfie Mann were Heads for the Day they had a great idea which was for them, and their fellow house captains, to pick a child from their house that had particularly impressed them during the week to receive a trophy. The chosen child from each house would get to keep the trophy in school for the week before returning it on the following Friday. Our first ever winners of this award were:



Ranworth Anise Batchelor

Hickling Matt Rivett

Oulton Josie Solomon

Barton Sophie Appleton



Lunchtime MSA Award – This week's award goes to Aston Culling and Eloisa Orme.

Attendance Bear
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Well done to Year 6 who had 99% attendance and were visited by Attendance Bear!

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

	STAR	ANGEL	DIAMOND
Reception	Lily Ardagh-Ptolomey	Olivia Read	Harvey Moore
Year 1	Zach Dawson	Caitlyn Moore	Morgan Scotton
Year 2	Rhianna-Iona Dashwood	Anise Batchelor	Charlie Atkinson
Year 3	Rory Watts	Alfie Hughes	Josh Rivett
Year 4	Molly Broadwater	Dylan Cullum	Niamh Harris
Year 5	Aston Culling	Samuel Abramson	Olivia Crook
Year 6	Charlie Pilbrow	Holly Warrington	Ryan Daynes

Chris Ashman