

Rackheath Primary School

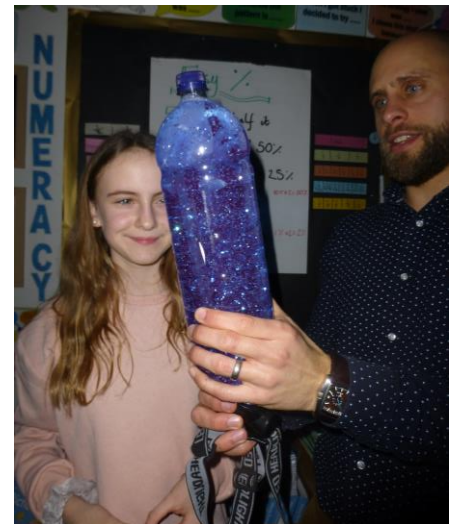
Newsletter

January

Friday 17th January 2020

Stories By Torchlight

This proved to be a great success on Monday night. The children loved drinking hot chocolate in the hall before taking part in different activities like den building, making jellyfish in a bottle and creating some lovely art work. My highlight was seeing all the children sharing a story by torchlight with their parents in the hall at the end of the evening. Thank you to all the staff and the FORS who stayed late and led the event. Thank you to all of you and the children who made it such a special occasion. Finally a big thank you to Miss Petraglia who organised the event.



Girl's County Football Finals – For the second year in a row our girls head to the County School Football Finals as North Norfolk Champions. The finals are on tomorrow morning at Attleborough Junior School. Good luck girls!



Cluster E-Safety Day

Earlier in the week you will have received a letter about the cluster online safety event taking place on the 20th January at Broadland High School. During the day children from Year 1 to Year 6 will be taking a coach to Broadland to take part in different workshops depending on their age. To follow this up staff are then attending training after school. **Then there is a parent workshop which is open to all parents and runs from 6pm until 8pm. 2 years ago when the workshop was run at Rackheath all parents who attended found it incredibly useful. We know that helping children staying safe online is a real challenge for families and things are changing all the time. I would urge you to attend if you can.**



Clubs - It was lovely to see so many children enjoying all our clubs this week. A big thank you to all the staff involved for giving up your time to provide all these super opportunities.

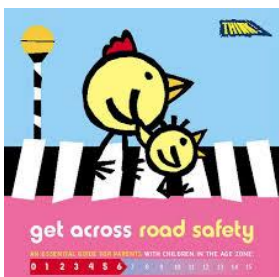


Chinese New Year

Next week a group of 10 children are going to the Norwich School to join in their Chinese New Year Celebrations. The programme looks like they will be in for a treat.

Y1 Music Festival – On Wednesday afternoon our Year 1 children are taking part in a rehearsal for the Norfolk Music Hub CASMA concert before taking part in the concert itself in March!

Our general knowledge champions are off to Quiz Club On Monday when two teams of four from Year 3 to 6 are off to compete in Quiz Club at Taverham Hall Prep School. Thanks to Ms Holmes for organising and getting the children ready with some preparation quizzes.



Road Safety Training – This week Sarah McCluskey from the County Road Safety Team came in to work with Reception, Year 2 and Year 4. Sarah was very impressed with the way all three classes approached the work. Later in the year Sarah will be putting Year 4 and 6 through their paces as she works with them on cycling safely.

Horstead Trip

On Tuesday Kandi from the centre came in to school to tell us all about the upcoming Horstead trip. Next week Year 4 are off to Horstead from Wednesday 22nd with Miss Hughes, Mrs Pilbrow, Mrs Crook and Mrs Goddard. Year 3 are going on Wednesday 29th January with Miss Hornagold, Mrs Milligan, Mrs Spurling, Mrs Crook, Mrs Howes and Mr Ashman.



It is really important that the children bring the correct kit and have lots of layers to wear. A hat and gloves are really important as are indoor shoes and a least 2 pairs of shoes for outside. If anyone in the school has some spare warm clothes for age 7 to 9 we would appreciate borrowing them as we always look to take some spare warm clothes for the children just in case.

Curiosity Café Dates

Our cafes this term will run from Monday 20th January until Friday 31st January. They will run from 9am – 10am and parents are invited in for a cup of tea or coffee before-hand. Dates for the cafés are below:

- Wednesday 22nd January – Reception
- Thursday 23rd January – Year 3
- Friday 24th January – Year 1
- Monday 27th January – Year 5
- Tuesday 28th January – Year 4
- Wednesday 29th January – Year 2
- Thursday 30th January – Year 6



Parents' Evening - Our second parents' evenings of the year will be on Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th February, with Wednesday being the later night until 7pm. Sign-up sheets will be available nearer the time.

Year 6 SATS Briefing – Mr Cavender and I will be holding 2 briefing sessions on SATS for parents of Year 6 children on Monday 3rd February. The meeting will be held at 2pm and then repeated at 5:45pm. We very much hope that everyone will be able to attend one of the meetings.

Bad Weather – We are entering the time of year when the weather can cause disruption. Should the school ever need to shut we would let you know through SchoolPing, our text system and via Radio Norfolk and the Norfolk County Council / Radio Norfolk Website.



FORS

Our lucky winner last Saturday was Kelly Tomsett!
Remember you can join any time you wish!



Bags2School - Our next collection will be on Tuesday 4th February.
Bags will be sent home next week.

Valentine's Disco - Letters regarding this were sent home yesterday. Don't forget to return slip and money if your child wishes to attend.



Attendance Bear

Well done to Reception who had
99%
Attendance the last week of term

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

	STAR	ANGEL	DIAMOND
Reception	Jack Nobbs	Ayla Morgan	William Chandler
Year 1	Jacob Viner	Mya Moss	Rachel Bryan
Year 2	Olive Champion	Isabelle Avery	Holly Trabelsi
Year 3	Scarlet Curle	Ralph Moll	Olivia Hough
Year 4	All of Year 4	Jack Unsworth	Ellie Trabelsi
Year 5	Rian Ainge	Morgan Scotton	Hanna Rudd
Year 6	Darcey Wright	Alice Shaw	Bobby Goldsmith

Have a lovely weekend!

Chris Ashman