



Weekly Newsletter



Friday 24th February 2017

World Book Day

At Rotherhithe we want every child to develop a love of reading, so we will be celebrating book characters as part of World Book Day next **Friday 3rd March**.

We are inviting all children to come to school dressed up in character costume from a favourite book. We can't wait to see how creative you can be and often the best costume are inventive home-made ones.

As **Dolphin Nursery** are not in school on Fridays they will be holding their own World Book Day celebration on **Thursday 2nd March**. Please send your nursery children into school dressed up as characters on this day instead.



Nethercott Farm

Children from year 4 & 5 left this morning for the countryside. They have the fantastic opportunity of learning all about what life is like on a farm.

They have had a great journey so far. They had an early lunch and have now left the motorway. They are winding their way through country lanes to their final destination.

We will provide parents with updates throughout the week.

Creative Homework Project

Thank you to everyone who participated in our creative homework project over the half term. It is such a pleasure to see the proud faces of the children as they walk through the school gates with their wonderful homework pieces.

If you haven't brought your homework in yet, you still have time this weekend to complete it.

We will be choosing winners next week so get creative!



We had a wonderful turn out for our parent mindfulness workshop on Monday. We hope that you enjoyed the presentation and will encourage your children to practice mindfulness at home.

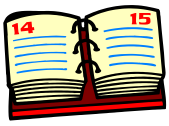
Training was delivered to teachers throughout the day and we are now moving on to the next stage of implementing the program. All children will be learning about the brain science that underpins our emotional reactions to situations. The next phase of the program focuses on teaching children to actively think in a positive and optimistic way. The children will be learning that they can actively rewire their brains pattern of thinking, so that they learn to be more positive.

They will also be learning about the chemicals released in their brain when they commit acts of kindness or think of things that they can be grateful for in their day.

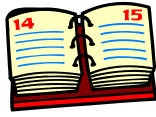
So we ask everyone at some point in the evening; maybe at meal time or at bedtime each day to think of...

3 things that you are grateful for!

Is it the daffodils that are starting to bloom, is it the increased sunshine?



Dates for your
DIARY!!!!



SPRING TERM

Finish for Easter

Friday 31st March 2017 2pm

SUMMER TERM

Start

Wednesday 19th April 2017

May Day

1st May (No School)

Half Term

Monday 29th May

Friday 2nd June

Finish

Friday 21st July 2017 2pm

Key Events

24th February

Year 4 & 5 children leave for Nethercott Farm

28th February
2:30 pm

Year 2 & 3 Beavers/Scout leader talk

Week starting
27th February

Parent meetings for children with additional needs

2nd March

Nursery World Book Day
Year 3 & 4 children attend the Biggest Book Show -Literacy Trust)

3rd March

World Book Day
Children attending Nethercott Farm return

Week Starting

Science Week

20th March

24th March

Red Nose Day

28th March 11 am

KS1 and Reception Awards Assembly 11 am

29th March 11 am

KS2 Awards Assembly 11 am

30th March 1:45

Talent show 1:45 pm

Head lice

Unfortunately, there have been some recent outbreaks of head lice. Head lice is common in young children, but can be difficult to spot. Please check your children's hair this weekend and on a regular basis. You can find tips regarding how to spot and treat head lice on the NHS website

<http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/Head-lice/Pages/Introduction.aspx#spotting>

Head lice are very small whitish or grey-brown insects that range from the size of a pinhead to the size of a sesame seed.

The only way to be sure someone has head lice is to find a live louse by combing their hair with a special fine-toothed comb. This is called [detection combing](#).

Head lice are spread by direct head to head contact. They climb from one person's hair to another's. They **cannot:**

- fly, jump or swim
- are very unlikely to be spread by objects such as hats, combs and pillows
- don't have a preference for dirty, clean, short or long hair

Treatments to get rid of head lice are available to buy from pharmacies, supermarkets and online. You don't usually need to see your GP, but the GP can prescribe an appropriate treatment if families are unable to afford to purchase a treatment.

Condover Hall

Please remember to keep sending in money to Sharon Hudson in the school office. More updates shortly.

Attendance

The classes with the best attendance for this week

KS1: Starfish and Whale Class 99.2%

KS2: Kon Tiki Class 99.6%

Well done and keep up the good work everyone!!

Thought for the week

Make a wish

Take a chance

Make a change