



Weekly Newsletter



Friday 28th April 2017

Top Tips for SATs

Year 6 SATs test start 8th May. We want our children to perform to their best during their SATs so please encourage them to:

Use Mathematics and practice basic number facts i.e multiplication facts, reading the time on a digital and analogue clock.

Read with your children regularly and ask questions about what they are reading.

Practice spellings of words that you know your children need to learn.

If you are using revision guides at home make sure that this is timetabled for 20 minute blocks of time and make sure they have breaks.

The night before the tests...

Make sure that they are not studying all evening.
Make sure that they relax and get a good night sleep during the week of the tests.

Make sure your children arrive promptly at school.

If your child is feeling anxious, reassure them and explain that these feelings are normal but encourage them to be positive and picture themselves trying their best- that is all anyone is asking of them!

Remind your children about good test techniques:

Read questions carefully. Think about what the question is asking and remember strategies that they have been taught.

If they are stuck on a question move on to a question that they can answer.

When they have completed the test, carefully check their answers and tackle any questions that they are unsure of.

Praise your children for their effort.

Finger Spinners

There have been a number of disputes between children at lunch time relating to Finger spinners.

Please do not send these items into school. If found these will be confiscated.

New SENCO

Do you have a child with special needs?

We are pleased to announce that we have recruited a new SENCO called Jennifer Cristobel. She comes with a wealth of experience including SENCO training.

Jennifer has taken over from Mylinh Tu who is currently teaching in year 2. She will be working full time. She is currently working hard to get to know your children and may be making contact with parents over the coming weeks. She is currently available at the school gates if you would like to speak to her.

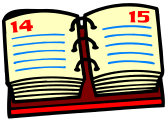
If you have any concerns about your child they should first be directed to your class teacher and then to Jennifer.

Personal Belongings

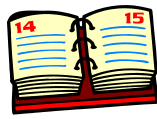
If children's property goes missing the school cannot be held responsible for items.

However, we are aware that children may unintentionally, take other children's clothing home. Please check items regularly to ensure that this has not happened.

Please make sure your children's personal belongings are labelled clearly with their name as this makes it easier to return items to the correct owner.



Dates for your
DIARY!!!!



SUMMER TERM

May Day	1 st May (No School)
Half Term	Monday 29 th May Friday 2 nd June
Finish	Friday 21st July 2017 2pm

Key Events

8 th May	Year 6 SATS tests start
15 th May workshops	Year 6 Maya archaeologist
16 th May	Macbeth workshops / Condover Hall parents meeting
22 nd May- 26 th May	Year 6 trip to Condover Hall
12 th June	Year 1 phonics test start
6 th July	All After School Clubs stop
7 th July	International Day
10 th July	EYFS Sports Afternoon
11 th July	KS1 Sports Afternoon
12 th July	KS2 Sports afternoon
13 th July	Year 6 Prom
14 th July	Summer Fete
17 th July	KS2 Achievement Awards
18 th July	Parents evening
19 th July	Year 6 Performance at 5 pm
21 st July	Year 6 graduation- Year children leave at 12:30

Safeguarding at Rotherhithe

Reminder: Safeguarding our children is of key importance. Please read the Safeguarding Policy on the schools website at:

<http://rotherhitheprimary.co.uk/safeguarding/>

and peruse the '**Online Safety**' information.

Keeping Children Safe: Medical and Dietary Needs

If your child has a medical or special dietary requirement please inform Sharon Hudson or Maxine at the school office as well as the child's teacher.

You may be asked to have a meeting with our school nurse or we may require additional information from you and Sharon is the person who will discuss this with you.

Please also make sure that medicine is up to date and we have all details of any allergies, intolerances, or other medical conditions such as asthma or epilepsy.

Attendance

The classes with the best attendance for this week
KS1: Seahorse Class 98.9%

KS2: Belfast Class 97.7%

Well done and keep up the good work everyone!!

**Please do not book holidays in term time.
Absence during term time negatively affects
the progress of our children and leads to gaps
in learning.**

Thought for the Day

If you can dream it

You can do it!