



Weekly Newsletter



Friday 19th October 2018

Time for Talents

Reception hosted partially sighted elder citizens this week in a special link with the local community and to promote greater awareness of disability. The elders carried out a range of art activities with the children, which they thoroughly enjoyed. Elizabeth and Lily both said they loved making the monsters and Lily wanted to give them a big hug.

Children then sang for the elders who were moved by the performance of the children.

Thank you to Suzy for organising this wonderful link. Please visit the [school's website](#) to see photographs taken.

Samba Workshops

This Friday children were treated to Samba workshops during their music lessons. Samba is a very accessible art form that is fun and easy to understand. Combining Afro-Brazilian instruments, and clapping games, it was possible to truly inspire our children to create music.

Thanks to Lily-May who delivered these workshops.

Ceilidh Project begins...

On Monday 15th October year 5 and 6 were treated to a Ceilidh workshop. This is now an annual event and RPS is one of seven local schools involved in the project. Ceilidh is a traditional form of folk dancing and the children had a fantastic time learning a shanty dance and listening to the music. Thanks to Rebecca for organising this workshop.



Fire Concert

On Monday 15th October, Kingfisher and Kon Tiki class travelled to Euston to join a Classical Road show. They joined a professional orchestra and actors to perform in the 'Fire' concert. Karin Hendrickson, conductor, led the children and the London Mozart players.

This musical extravaganza re-told the story of the Great Fire of London in 1666, four days that changed London forever. This was an unforgettable experience and the children really enjoyed it.

Thanks to Margaret and the class teachers for organizing this special opportunity.



School council 2018/19

Congratulations to **Hasna** who was voted School Council Chair and to **Alim** who was voted Vice Chair. Other school council representatives are as follows:

<u>Belfast</u>	<u>Cutty Sark</u>	<u>Kingfisher</u>	<u>Pearl</u>
Hasna	Isabelle	Chrystal	Jacob
Alex L	Ashley	Elliot	Widad
<u>Discovery</u>	<u>Mayflower</u>	<u>Endurance</u>	<u>Seal</u>
Tijan	Muizz	Winy	Amos
Cherrel	Star	JJ	Taylor
<u>Calypso</u>	<u>Kon Tiki</u>	<u>Endeavour</u>	<u>Coral</u>
Alim	Lily	Jack R	Kasia
Amira A	Victor	Sarah	Amari
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All parents are invited to an

E-Safety

workshop

On

Wednesday 7th November at 9:15 am

Venue – Rotherhithe Primary School

Guest trainer – Charlotte Kathe

**Followed by an opportunity to share
concerns, ideas, questions with the**

Head of School



Dates for your Diaries!

22nd – 26th Oct	Half Term
29th Oct	School closed for Inset Day
31 st Oct	Closing date for secondary school applications
Week starting	SEN Parent Meetings/ Maths Week
5 th Nov	
9 th Nov	Celidh Project Performance years 4 & 5
12 th Nov	Anti-bullying week
5 th Dec	KS1 (Years 1 & 2) Christmas Play
6 th Dec	Reception and Nursery Christmas performance
7 th Dec	KS2 (Year 3-6) Carol Concert
10 th Dec	Erasmus Trip – Group of teachers travel to Sweden
14 th Dec	Christmas Jumper day
17 th & 19 th Dec	Parents Evening
17 th Dec	KS1/EY Achievement Awards – 11:15 am in the junior hall
18 th Dec	KS2 Achievement Awards – 11:30 am
	Class parties
19 th Dec	100% attendance awards School closes at 2 pm

Time is running outfor Secondary School Applications

Last reminder – the closing date for applying for secondary schools is 31st October. If you haven't already submitted your application on line, please make sure you do so during the half term holiday break.

Children return to school on Tuesday 30th October in full school uniform please. Happy holiday!

Key Stage 1 Assemblies Time: 11:15 am

- Wednesday 7th November Coral Class
- Wednesday 14th November Octopus Class
- Wednesday 21st November Whale Class

Key Stage 2 Assemblies Time 11:30 am

- Thursday 1st November Discovery Class
- Thursday 8th November Mayflower Class
- Thursday 15th November Pearl Class
- Thursday 22nd November Endurance Class
- Thursday 13th December Kon Tiki Class

Safeguarding at Rotherhithe

Keeping children safe is of utmost importance to us at Rotherhithe. We have recently updated our safeguarding policy. Please read it at <http://rotherhitheprimary.co.uk/>

Poetry Week

As part of our drive to improve reading, each half term we are focusing on reading and understanding poetry. I have observed some fantastic teaching in classes and your children are very engaged while reading and performing poems. They are learning to use and identify poetic devices such as alliteration, onomatopoeia, metaphor, simile, personification, repetition as well as rhyme.

Please encourage this love of poetry and share your favourite poets and poems with your children.

Attendance

The classes with the best attendance for this week are:

- KS1: Octopus Class 99.6%
- KS2: Belfast Class 98.7%

Amazing! keep up the good work everyone!!

Please **do not** book holidays during term time. This negatively affects your children's education.

