

RPS Weekly Newsletter



Friday 10^h January 2020

Dear Parents & Carers

Everyone at RPS would like to wish you a Happy New Year! We hope it brings you lots of happiness and exciting opportunities.

We were extremely pleased to see the children return to school on Monday and from my visits to their classrooms, they are clearly back and ready to learn!

We welcome Meredith who is teaching Kingfisher class. It has been great seeing how quickly the children have settled and adjusted to their new teacher.

Annalise and I have been busy observing children during phonics lessons across the school. On Monday I have organised Read Write Inc training for any members of staff new to our phonics program. Phonics is an early reading tool that helps children learn to read. We will be holding phonics workshops for parents so please look out for these, particularly our year 1 parents.

On Monday I talked in assembly about New Years resolutions. We looked at examples of kindness including 'random acts of kindness!' I challenged all children to be kind to each other. Hopefully we can all consider acts of kindness this year to spread a little joy to others.

Behaviour Policy

The school and class teachers have been working on reviewing our behavior policy. The draft is now on the website at the following link:

<http://rotherhitheprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Behaviour-policy-2020.pdf>

The policy lists the school's expectations regarding children's behaviour and strategies the school use to develop good behaviour.

It also lists what is considered to be unacceptable behaviour and the range of consequences, e.g. missing playtimes, removal of privileges (this may include not attending parties, trips or performances) after school detentions, internal and fixed term exclusions.

The policy also presents how we tackle bullying.

It would be great to have parents input and feedback regarding this policy. Please download a copy or request a hard copy at the school office and email any feedback to me via the office.



An exciting opportunity- Tales of Courage

RPS has signed up to take part in the pilot of a new digital tool. This tool aims to support children who may show signs of excessive worry, anxiety or phobias. The aim of the game is to support children in facing their fears. There is a list of common fears that children may have: heights, insects, going to school, socializing, sleeping over, talking in public, making friends, to name but few that this program focusses on. The parent selects 3 fears that the child will work on within the game. There are a range of activities to complete in the game related to the fear selected. There are also activities that the child should try to complete offline with parent's support. This type of work is called 'exposure' work. The idea is to use the game to help motivate children to face their fears.

Children will be given the opportunity to play the game for between 30-40 minutes at a time. They can play every day, or as often as the parent and child agree. The game is suitable for children aged 7-12 years of age.

The program has been created in conjunction with health care professionals and it may in the future support the work of therapists.

If you are interested in your child being considered for this trial, please either return the letter that was sent out to the school office or email the school office—listing Lumi Nova in the subject title. I need to know all parents interested in joining this pilot by **Thursday 16th January** so that I can pass on your details. I will need to pass on your name and email address to the staff at Lumi Nova. The staff will not forward your details to third parties. They will only use your email to get you started on Tales of Courage. You may withdraw your consent for the company to hold your details at any point.

There is a long survey that needs to be completed by parents at the start and end of the pilot. You can find out more about the game and your role as a parent at:

bfblabs.com/LumiNovaParents

Children taking part must be ready to play by the 25th January.

I am holding a meeting on **Tuesday 21st January at 9:15am** to discuss any questions parents may have and to support parents who may need help getting started.



After School Care – Tree Tops

Following on from our previous correspondence, we would like to update parents and carers about the after-school club – Tree Tops.

Tree Tops has made an application to Ofsted to register our schools for the after-school service. We are in the transition process and the expected hand over date is 24th February 2020.

The director will be meeting with parents and children on the 6th of February 2020 – between 3.30 and 5.30 pm. Please feel free to drop in and chat to them on this day.

You can now start booking your child/ren's place with Tree Tops via the following link: <http://www.treetopsclubs.co.uk/listing/rotherhithe-primary-school/>

If you require any further information please get in touch with the school office via e-mail on: office@rotherhithe.southwark.sch.uk

Sports After School Clubs

After school clubs will be starting next week. The following sports related clubs will be on offer. Please speak to Dan Sullivan if you have any queries regarding these clubs. Please note that access to some clubs is by invitation only.

Day of the week	Club Name	Year group	Club leader
Monday	Gymnastics	1, 2 & 3	Dan
	Table Tennis	4, 5 & 6	Jordan
Tuesday	Boys football	Children already selected	Dan & Jordan
Wednesday	Development Club- by invitation only	Mixed ages	Dan & Jordan
Thursday	Hockey	3 & 4	Jordan
	Multi-skills	1 & 2	Dan
Friday	Multi-skills	1 & 2	Jordan
	Gifted and Talented – By invitation only	Mixed ages	Dan

Don't forget.... Reception Admission Deadline is here!

Online applications for Reception places must be made by the **15th of January 2020**.

Please see Southwark's 'Starting Primary School in Southwark 2020/21' information booklet on our website under the parent tab.

**No act of kindness,
no matter how small,
is ever wasted.**
- Aesop

Beavers

Beavers are scouts youngest members, and they meet on Thursdays 5:45pm at Manor Methodist Church 40 Galleywall Rd, Bermondsey, London SE16 3PB.

They enjoy all that Scouting has to offer; being introduced to outdoor activities, having the opportunity to be creative, explore their local community and experience the excitement of a Beaver Scout sleepover with their friends. Beaver Scouts are young people aged between 6 and 8 years old.

If you are interested in your child joining beavers please contact Alice by phone 020 7781 1255 or mobile 07515 589158 or at the following email address: alice.canal@riotinto.com



Current Leader Board

Richard	Rock Hero	Calypso	Year 6	Myles	Breakthrough Artist	Mayflower	Year 5
Cashara	Rock Hero	Kingfisher	Year 4	Ufuoma	Breakthrough Artist	Kon Tiki	Year 4
Abdul-Rayyan	Rock Legend	Calypso	Year 6	Raheemah	Breakthrough Artist	Pearl	Year 3
Elsie	Rock Legend	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Elianna	Breakthrough Artist	Cutty Sark	Year 4
Winnie	Rock Legend	Kingfisher	Year 4	Tyler	Unsigned Act	Cutty Sark	Year 5
Daniyal	Rock Legend	Cutty Sark	Year 4	Tyreece	Unsigned Act	Kon Tiki	Year 4
Amelia	Rock Legend	Coral	Year 2	Elliot	Unsigned Act	Cutty Sark	Year 5
Abdirahman	Rock Legend	Calypso	Year 6	Alesia	Gigger	Endeavour	Year 3
Sara	Rock Legend	Kingfisher	Year 4	Isata	Gigger	Kingfisher	Year 4
Juwon	Rock Legend	Calypso	Year 6	Yacquub	Gigger	Cutty Sark	Year 5
Isabel	Rock Star	Calypso	Year 6	Mateo Soto	Gigger	Kon Tiki	Year 4
Gulis	Rock Star	Calypso	Year 6	Eva	Gigger	Pearl	Year 3
Mohammed	Rock Star	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Makayla	Gigger	Kon Tiki	Year 4
Kieran	Rock Star	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Istaahil	Busker	Mayflower	Year 5
Jared	Rock Star	Calypso	Year 6	Asia	Busker	Kon Tiki	Year 4
Jimmy	Rock Star	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Mitchel	Garage Rocker	Kingfisher	Year 4
Aj	Rock Star	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Missun	Garage Rocker	Cutty Sark	Year 5
Daniel	Headliner	Mayflower	Year 5	Shaydon	Garage Rocker	Cutty Sark	Year 4
Damian	Headliner	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Halah	Garage Rocker	Calypso	Year 6
Aisha	Headliner	Belfast	Year 6	Hamza	Garage Rocker	Kingfisher	Year 4
Hyatt	Headliner	Calypso	Year 6	Muhanna	Wannabe	Mayflower	Year 5
Amal	Headliner	Cutty Sark	Year 4	Chrystal	Wannabe	Cutty Sark	Year 5
Jacob	Headliner	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Kayna	Wannabe	Kingfisher	Year 4
Henrietta	Headliner	Mayflower	Year 5	Sarah	Wannabe	Cutty Sark	Year 5
Vincyia	Support Act	Cutty Sark	Year 5	Kafia	Wannabe	Mayflower	Year 5
Soz	Support Act	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Michael	Wannabe	Endeavour	Year 3
Muhib	Support Act	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Kuba	Wannabe	Kingfisher	Year 4
Rayaan	Support Act	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Isaac	Wannabe	Kon Tiki	Year 4
Ellen	Support Act	Cutty Sark	Year 5	Anifat	Wannabe	Kon Tiki	Year 4
Ethan	Support Act	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Sophia	Wannabe	Cutty Sark	Year 5
Ashley	Support Act	Belfast	Year 6	Cody	Wannabe	Mayflower	Year 5
James	Support Act	Mayflower	Year 5	Zahra	Wannabe	Kingfisher	Year 4
Temilola	Breakthrough Artist	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Yasin	Wannabe	Pearl	Year 3
Charlie	Breakthrough Artist	Kon Tiki	Year 4	Soliyana	Wannabe	Mayflower	Year 5
Richard	Rock Hero	Calypso	Year 6	Evelyn	Wannabe	Kingfisher	Year 4

Do you know a times table rockstar?
 Here are some interesting statistics
 about our players:
 Our average Speed per question is 3.17
 secs
 89% accuracy
 30% of registered pupils have played in
 the last 7 days

Correct answers in the last 7 days!

Name	Class	Year	Correct Answers
Soz B	Kon Tiki	Year 4	2,014
Jimmy J	Kon Tiki	Year 4	918



You are warmly invited to attend your child's class performance.

KS1 (year 1 & 2) start time 11:15 am

29th January Coral Class

5th February Seal Class

12th February Octopus Class

18th March Whale Class

KS2 (year 3-6) start time 11:30 am

22nd January Kon Tiki Class

13 th Jan	Athletics competition
15 th Jan	Nurse visit to Reception-healthy eating
22 nd Jan	Nurse visit to Reception-Dental hygiene Road Safety workshops – year 1 & 2 Parent Information Evening
23 rd Jan	Inclusion Quality Mark Review
28 th Jan	Year 6 Conover Hall Parent meeting
5 th Feb	Parent workshop – Zones of Regulation

PARENT INFORMATION EVENT

Best Attendance

The classes with the best attendance for this week are:

KS1: Coral Class 97.4%

KS2: Calypso Class 98.3%



Amazing! Keep up the good work everyone!!

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



Please come to our 1st Parent Information Event of the year on:

Wednesday 22nd January

At 3:30 pm – Junior Hall

Timetable of events:

Federation update from Executive Head Teacher.

Followed by a range of short workshop/discussion groups:

Our new approach to teaching reading.

Inclusion- Meet our speech and language therapist.

Update on New Build.

Please come along. Free crèche provided.



ROTHERHITHE PRIMARY SCHOOL

HOLIDAY DATES 2019-2020

AUTUMN TERM

Inset Day 1: Monday 2nd September (no children)

Inset Day 2: Tuesday 3rd September (no children)

Inset Day 3: Wednesday 4th September (no children)

Start

Children back

Thursday 5th September - Friday 18th October 2019

Half Term

Monday 21st October

Friday 25th October

Children Back

Monday 28th October - Thursday 19th December 2019

SPRING TERM

Children back

Start

Monday 6th January - Friday 14th February 2020

Half Term

Monday 17th February

Friday 21st February

Children Back

Monday 24th February - Friday 3rd April 2020

SUMMER TERM

Children back

Start

Monday 20th April - Friday 22nd May 2020

May Day

Friday 8th May 2020 (75th anniversary VE Day)

Half Term

Monday 25th May

Friday 29th May

Children Back

Monday 1st June - Friday 17th July 2020

Inset Day Monday 20th July (no children)

Inset Day Tuesday 21st July (no children)

Inset Days

2nd, 3rd, & 4th September 2019

20th & 21st July 2020

Please note that this year the May bank holiday has been moved to Friday 8th May to celebrate the 75th anniversary of VE day.

Please note that children are not at school on inset days. These are training days for staff.