

# RPS Weekly Newsletter



## Dear Parents & Carers

Happy Valentine's Day! I hope you enjoy spending time with your loved ones.

We have passed the shortest day of the year and despite the recent storms I've noticed bulbs coming up in the garden and some blossoms appearing on trees – spring is on its way!

Children have continued to work hard this week and have enjoyed our internet safety workshops. I would like to thank Anthony (Computing Lead) for organising this very important and engaging day.

Reception classes welcomed parents this morning, who came to share books with their children during their reading café. Thank you to all parents who attend these sessions - the children love it.

It was fantastic listening to the progress that our brass band are making. From being total beginners, they are really developing their confidence and competence as performers.

As we head increasingly closer to the SATs period, we will start running mock SATs activities for year 2 and 6. We will also run a mock phonics screening check for year 1. Year 4 children will be completing a times table check online this year, so please make sure they are using Times Table Rocks regularly. Please do attend the SATs parent workshops. See below.

Have a fantastic half term. See you bright and early on the 24<sup>th</sup> February.

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020



On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February year 4 travelled to the Museum of London. This visit was planned to deepen their knowledge and understanding of their history topic - The Romans.

Did you know that the Romans founded London as Londinium in 47AD, later building a bridge over the River Thames and establishing the settlement as a port with roads leading to other outposts in Roman Britain? Around 200 AD a defensive wall was built, encircling the city and you can still see some of the remnants of this wall today. The children saw a variety of Roman artefacts and took part in a workshop that helped them understand life during Roman times

The children were very well behaved. We would like to thank the parents who supported the class on this trip.



This week's Star Writer is..... **Precious** in Whale Class.

This is her description of being in the woods:

*'I can smell fresh flowers. I can see dark green leaves. I can hear birds tweeting. I can smell rotting wood. I can feel smooth rocks. I can see green beautiful vines. I can hear chirping birds. I can feel bumpy plants. I can smell fragrant petals.'*

Well done Precious. Keep up the fantastic writing.

### **Rose Court Care Home Visitors**

On Friday, Reception children hosted elderly visitors from Rose Court care home. The children have been visiting them at the care home over the past weeks, so were very excited to receive them as visitors in school.

The children made biscuits and then decorated them with their elderly friends. They were also keen to share the Valentine's Day cards that they have been making.

This was a wonderful afternoon and both the children and the visitors gained a lot from spending time with each other. We will post pictures on the website soon.

### **Hot Chocolate Friday**

It was Hot Chocolate Friday again this week. I had a lot of fun spending the afternoon talking to wonderful children who continually make good choices and epitomize our school values. Well done all. Keep it up you are great role models for the school. I am proud of you.

These were the children who joined me for hot chocolate today.

Belfast class	Isabelle
Cutty Sark class	Elianna
Mayflower Class	Leunit
Kingfisher class	Sara
Kon Tiki class	Seth
Pearl class	Amari
Endeavour class	George
Coral Class	Muizza
Seal Class	Paris
Whale Class	Mikail
Octopus Class	Brooklyn



**Never**  
stop learning,  
because life  
never stops  
**Teaching.**



## Safer Internet Day 2020

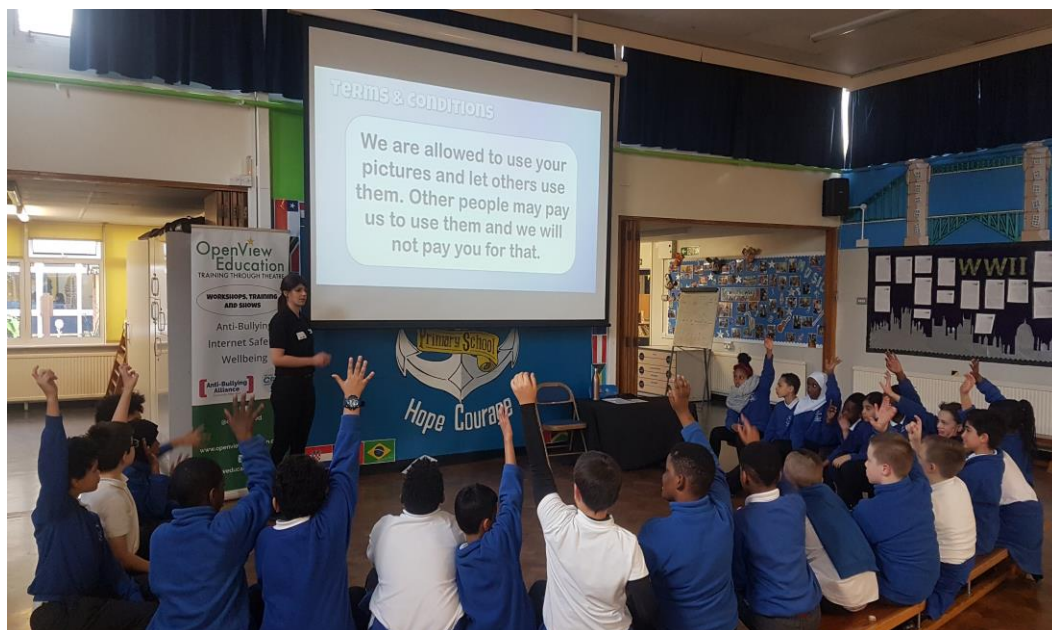
As part of our 'Safer Internet Day', the children were treated to the ultimate internet safety show. The show followed the characters Milly & Philip as they learnt how to stay safe online.

The children then took part in a series of fun, interactive and engaging workshops. The children found the workshops relevant and relatable as they were equipped with essential information and strategies to stay safe online.

The main topics covered were:

- SOCIAL MEDIA
- ONLINE GAMES
- ONLINE REPUTATION
- SHARING IMAGES
- CYBERBULLYING
- PERSONAL INFORMATION
- STRANGERS ONLINE

Monitoring children's use of phones, social media and games is essential as they are very vulnerable on these forums. Please take time to look at the following website <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2020/i-am-parent-or-carer> as this has activities, and information to help parents and carers talk to their children about how to navigate the issue of online identity in a digital age in a safe, responsible and respectful way.







14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b>Children break up for half term</b>
Week starting 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mock Phonics test this week
27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Asthma workshops for year 5 children
Week starting 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Mock year 2 SATs tests this week.
5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day (costume to the ready!) Resources committee governors meeting 6pm
Week of 9 <sup>th</sup> March 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Meetings for parents of children with SEND needs. Book Fair Mock SATS week for year 6
16 <sup>th</sup> March	Margaret taking children to sing at the Battle of Trafalgar concert. British Science week
27 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Easter Bonnet Parade
30 <sup>th</sup> March	KS2 Achievement Awards at 11:30 am
31 <sup>st</sup> March	EYFS and KS1 Achievement Awards at 11:15 am Full governing body meeting 6pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Attendance assemblies Last day of term. School closes at 2pm

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

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

18<sup>th</sup> March Whale Class

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

18<sup>th</sup> March Mayflower Class

25<sup>th</sup> March Cutty Sark Class

1<sup>st</sup> April Pearl Class

### Parent Survey

We are conducting a parent survey. This is to celebrate what we do well and to identify areas we may need to improve. You will receive this survey by text message next week. Please complete it by the **14<sup>th</sup> February. Thank you!**

## Best Attendance

The classes with the best attendance for this week are:

**KS1: Octopus Class 97.7%**

**KS2: Pearl Class 98.1%**



**Amazing! Keep up the good work everyone!!**

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



### Drumming Lessons

Margaret's Music are thrilled to be able to offer a new African percussion class at RPS on Wednesday 3.15-4.30 led by Gina Annan who has been teaching year 6 since September with Lily-May. The cost of the club will be £45. The club will start Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February and will run until July.

If you would like your child to participate please contact Margaret at: [info@margaretsmusicltd.com](mailto:info@margaretsmusicltd.com)

Please come to our Parent workshop

# Preparing for Year 6 SATS

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February

3:30 pm at RPS

We will tell you about:

- ✓ The arrangements for SATs testing
- ✓ What you can do to help your child
- ✓ How we will support children with additional needs
- ✓ How to keep your child's well-being high

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# Preparing for Year 2 SATs

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February

3:30 pm at RPS

We will tell you about:

- ✓ The arrangements for SATs testing
- ✓ What you can do to help your child
- ✓ How we will support children with additional needs
- ✓ How to keep your child's well-being high
- ✓ Show you some sample tests



**Free!**

## Half term **Multi Sports** at **Marlborough Sports Garden**

**Sat 15 Feb - Sun 23 Feb**

Join us in **half term** for fun and active multi sports sessions run by Regan's Soccer School's qualified coaches.

**There's no need to book, just drop in and play every day!**

**Saturday 15 Feb - Sunday 23 Feb**

**Daily from 2-5pm**

**At Marlborough Sports Garden**  
27 Union St, London SE1 1SD

**For everyone aged 8-15 years**



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TRUST**

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SPORTS GARDEN**

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**info@bost.org.uk**



For children  
aged 4 to 14

# THE MARY POPPINS

## EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

FOUR DAYS OF **SINGING, DANCING,**  
**ACTING** AND **ART** WORKSHOPS BASED  
ON THE MARY POPPINS FILMS, WITH A  
**SUPERCALIFRAGILISTICEXPIALIDOCIOUS**  
PERFORMANCE ON THE LAST DAY.





Monday-Thursday, 6th-9th April, 9.30am - 3.30pm  
Wraparound care available

The Green Community Centre, Nunhead, London SE15

For more information and to book your place email  
[info@margaretsmusicltd.com](mailto:info@margaretsmusicltd.com)



[www.margaretsmusicltd.com](http://www.margaretsmusicltd.com)

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Please note additional wrap around care incurs a further cost.

## ROTHERHITHE PRIMARY SCHOOL

### HOLIDAY DATES 2019-2020

#### AUTUMN TERM

Inset Day 1: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September (no children)  
Inset Day 2: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September (no children)  
Inset Day 3: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September (no children)

Start

Children back  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Half Term

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Children Back

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019

#### SPRING TERM

Start

Children back  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Half Term

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February

Children Back

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020

#### SUMMER TERM

Start

Children back  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020

May Day

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020 (75<sup>th</sup> anniversary VE Day)

Half Term

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

Children Back

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020  
Inset Day Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July (no children)  
Inset Day Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July (no children)

#### Inset Days

2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019  
20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020

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

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



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<b>AUTUMN TERM</b>	<b>Inset Day 1: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September (no children)</b>
Start	<b>Children back</b> <b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020</b>
Half Term	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> October 2020 Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2020
Children Back	<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020</b>
<b>SPRING TERM</b>	<b>Inset Day 2: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021</b>
Start	<b>Children back</b> <b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021</b>
Half Term	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2021 Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2021
Children Back	<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February - Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021</b>
<b>SUMMER TERM</b>	<b>Inset Day 3: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021</b>
Start	<b>Children back</b> <b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021</b>
May Day	Friday Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2021
Half Term	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2021 Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2021
Children Back	<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June - Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021</b> <b>Inset Day 4: Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July (no children)</b> <b>Inset Day 5: Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July (no children)</b>

### **Inset Days**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021

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