

RPS Weekly Newsletter



Harvest Festival



Friday 25th September 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

It has been an unusual week at RPS. As you are aware a member of staff tested positive with covid-19. I would once again like to assure you that we have followed Public Health England and DfE guidance carefully to manage the situation.

As a precautionary measure some members of staff have been requested to self-isolate for 14 days. Children have not been affected as this person did not have close contact with children.

The school has received an 'enhanced' clean and we continue to follow strict hygiene measures.

Start and Exit Routines

Thank you to parents who have followed our requests to line up when collecting your children at the Early Years gate. This is helping to make sure the release of children is far smoother and is supporting social distancing. Would parents please remember to stand in their year group space at the main gate when collecting children.

Harvest Festival

This week the children watched a Harvest Festival assembly led by Kellie (Deputy Head). She talked to the children about the history of Harvest Festival. At this time of year, we always ask for donations of food for the Southwark Foodbank. Now

more than ever the foodbank needs our help. If you can make a donation of a tin or packet of food, we will be collecting these until the 9th October. Please get your child to bring in any items you can donate. Alternatively, you can make an online donation to the food bank by clicking this link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/southwarkfoodbankfundsforfood>

Thank you for your generosity and help.

Southwark Back to School

Southwark have created a new webpage which has the latest information on support and resources available to parents, children, and young people. You can access this website at the following address:

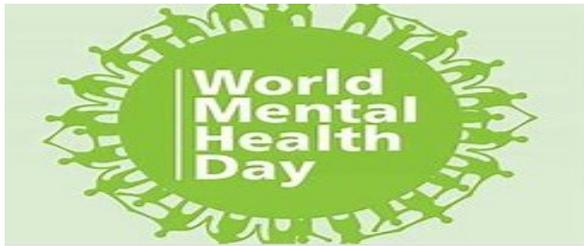
www.southwark.gov.uk/backtoschool.

They have also created a booklet which contains lots of useful information. It is on our website at the following link:

<http://rotherhitheprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Back-to-School-Southwark-Booklet.pdf>

I was very pleased to see attendance improve this week and hope this will continue.

Have a lovely weekend.



10th October is World Mental Health Day. The pandemic has negatively impacted on the mental health of many. Promoting good mental health is very important to us at RPS and we are therefore saying 'Hello Yellow' on **Friday 9th October**. We are inviting children to wear sunny yellow clothes to brighten the school in exchange for a £1 donation. Donations will be given to the 'Young Minds' fundraising campaign.

Secondary Schools Open Days

Deptford Green – Lewisham will be conducting open days virtually. Parents can find all the information on how to sign up for these at the following link: <https://www.deptfordgreen.lewisham.sc.h.uk/about-us/why-apply-for-dg/>

The school's 'Open ZOOM' sessions will be commencing from the 28th of September.



Deptford Green School

Edward Street, London, SE14 6AN | 020 8691 3236 ext 123

www.deptfordgreen.lewisham.sch.uk

New Build update

I am sure that many of you have seen the demise of our old playground as the builders progress with the foundations for our new school building. The builders were surprised to find some deep concrete foundations from a former building that was very large. We are now playing detectives to discover what the building was!



If you think your child may be entitled to FSM please complete the FSM application form. You can download the form using this link: <https://bit.ly/35ydYT0> or call the school office to request a form. Once you have downloaded and filled out the form, please hand your completed application into the school office.

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Registering for free meals could also raise an extra **£1,320** for your child's primary school.

If you require further help, please contact Sharon Hudson in the school office or email her at: shudson@rotherhithe.southwark.sch.uk

Remote Learning

Teachers are busy working on home learning arrangements in case children are required to self-isolate at any point. We aim to provide paper packs and online learning using Oak Academy and Teams. It would be really helpful if parents could ensure they can access Microsoft Teams as this will be a key communication channel.



5.10.20	Diversity Month begins
5.10.20	Thank a Teacher Day
9.10.20	Hello Yellow – World Mental Health day
13 and 14.10.20	School photographer
19.10.20	Creativity Week begins
23.10.20	Break up for half term
2.11.20	Children return to school
3.11.20	Virtual Parents Evening -- Teams
4.11.10	
9.11.20	Maths Week
12.11.20	Flu vaccinations whole school
Week beginning 16.11.20	Virtual parents meeting for children with SEND
Week beginning 16.11.20	Anti-bullying week
16.12.20	Class Parties
11.12.20	Christmas Jumper Day
17.12.20	Virtual Award Ceremonies
18.12.20	Break up -100% attendance certificates.

Attendance

All children should aim to have above 95% attendance.

Class	Total	Best attendance
Early Years		
Jellyfish	89.3%	
Penguin	93%	
Key Stage 1		
Whale	94.3%	
Octopus	99%	
Coral	93.4%	
Seal	96.2%	
Key Stage 2		
Effra	99.4%	
Fleet	98.6%	
Brent	95.7%	
Walbrook	96.5%	
Ravensbourne	97.4%	
Wandle	95.2%	
Lea	92.2%	
Thames	97.4%	

Well done to the classes with the best attendance this week. Keep up the good work everyone!!

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



Whale	Rayan	For the effort he puts into his learning and for being such a good listener and role model to his peers.
Octopus	Jayden F	For always trying his best in everything he does and never giving up. He has tried especially hard in writing this week-sounding out words independently and trying to form smaller letters. Fantastic!
Coral	Tamara	For independently using finger spaces and capital letters in her setting description. Well done Tamara. Keep it up!
Seal	Dior	For trying his best to improve his writing. Dior is ambitious with his word choices and uses many adventurous adjectives. Well done Dior!
Effra	Godwyn	For sharing lovely ideas in our English lessons. Thank you Godwyn!
Fleet	Jasmine	For working hard and for always staying focused. For contributing your ideas and using star words in your response. Well done Jasmine!
Brent	Henry Sabawoon	For being independent in his learning, being kind to others and having a positive attitude to learning. For always actively listening to others and giving them time to share without interrupting.
Walbrook	Ayham	For consistently being on task and showing a high level of dedication and enthusiasm in his lessons. Star!
Ravensbourne	Evelyn	For being resilient when tackling tasks. Evie does not give up when faced with a challenge. She has worked exceptionally hard in her English this week. Well done for your impeccable behaviour for learning!
Wandle	Tyreece	For showing consistent hard work across the week, he really stood out to me which was fantastic to see and I'm really proud of him.
Lea	Sahr	For all the effort he has put in with our Skill of the Week, which was speaking. He has challenged himself to speak up more in class discussions and equally he always speaks to other children with kindness and respect. Well done!
Thames	Daniyal	For demonstrating our school value of ambition this week. He listens intently, confidently shares ideas, asks questions to further his learning and is always keen for a challenge. This has led to work of a high standard. You are a true role model!



THE PE & SCHOOL SPORTS NETWORK

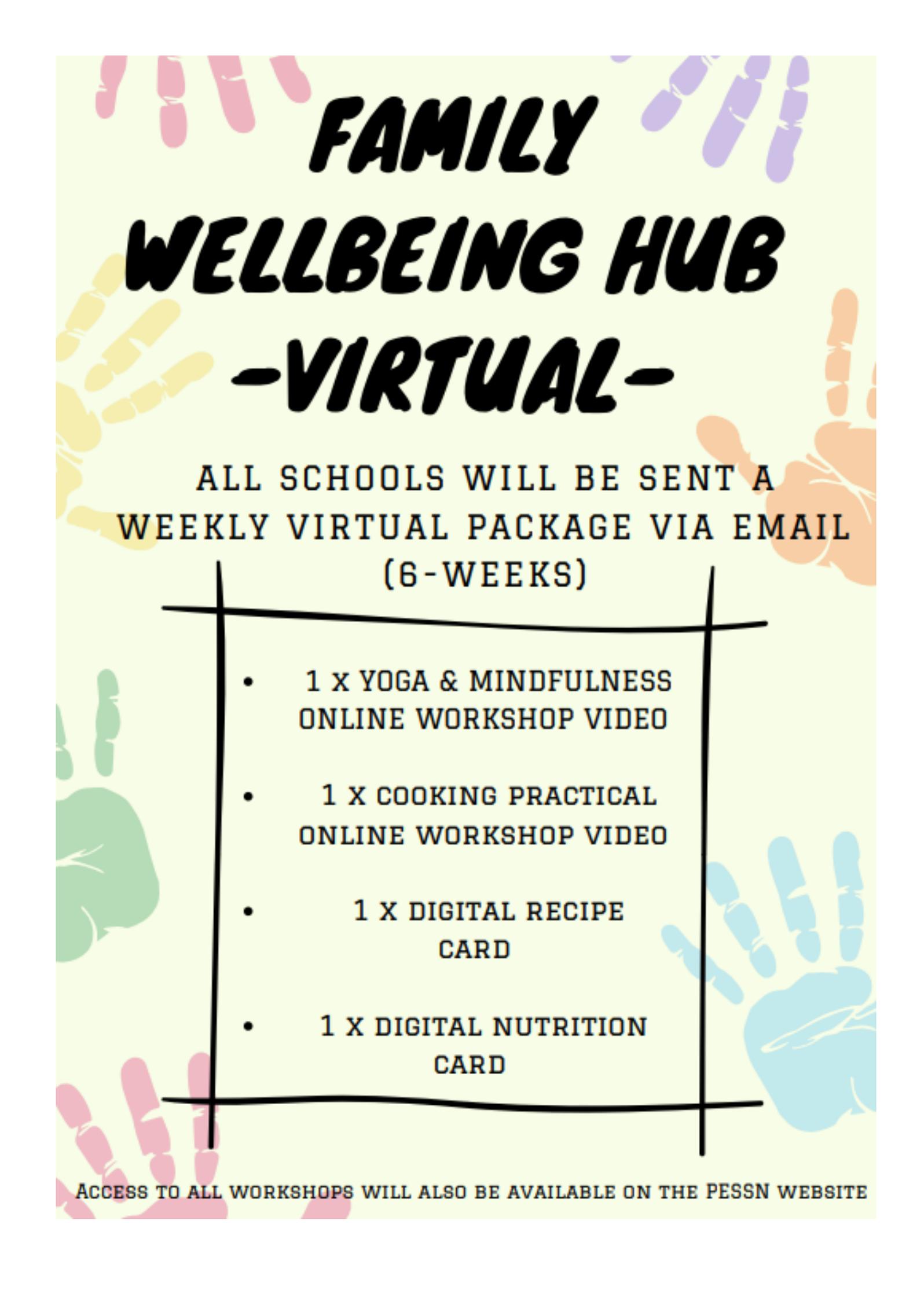
FAMILY WELLBEING HUB -VIRTUAL-

6 WEEKS

- Yoga & Mindfulness Workshops
- Cookery Workshops
- Nutrition & Recipe Cards
- Certificates & Awards to be won!



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FAMILY WELLBEING HUB -VIRTUAL-

ALL SCHOOLS WILL BE SENT A
WEEKLY VIRTUAL PACKAGE VIA EMAIL
(6-WEEKS)

- 1 X YOGA & MINDFULNESS
ONLINE WORKSHOP VIDEO
- 1 X COOKING PRACTICAL
ONLINE WORKSHOP VIDEO
- 1 X DIGITAL RECIPE
CARD
- 1 X DIGITAL NUTRITION
CARD

ACCESS TO ALL WORKSHOPS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE ON THE PESSN WEBSITE