

RPS Weekly Newsletter



Friday 18th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Red Nose Day 2022! So it is once again time to use the 'power of funny' to fundraise and do good for others. In assembly on Monday the children were introduced to Teddy, a child with visual and physical disabilities, who has found friendship and enjoyment through the creative arts, thanks to funding provided by comic relief. We also considered some of the other projects funded by comic relief such as support for mental health and refugees.

Thank you to all parents, children and staff for your donations to this worthy charity. I hope the children enjoy their red noses and also the gallery of pictures below. [Click here for more photos.](#)

Consultation for joining the Nexus Trust

Every Monday we will add to the FAQs raised by the community. Our responses to any questions will be under the new date and shared on the River Hill Federation website. Please do have a read of these updates and ask any questions that you may have. You can email your questions to the following email address:

Email: consultation@riverhillfederation.onmicrosoft.com

You can find the consultation documents and FAQs by clicking this link [click here.](#)

Parentline: Parents of children 5-19 years can contact a school nurse via text for confidential health advice, appointments and support. This service is also available

during the holiday period. You can find out more information by following this [link](#). The phone number to text is: 07520 631 130

School Lunches: As you will remember the school has been working with Healthy Zones to make the healthy food option the easiest food option. We conducted a survey and the School Council produced a film and conducted an assembly for KS2 children. The school is now aware that a diet rich in plant based foods offers numerous health benefits and helps take action against climate change by reducing our carbon footprint and helping us conserve precious environmental resources. This is supported by new recommendations from the government that aim to make school meals more environmentally friendly and reflect changing dietary advice. Based on this, the school menu will offer one meat-free day per week this will be called 'Meat-free Monday'.

Easter Bonnet Parade: Start collecting materials and get planning to make hats for our Easter Bonnet Parade! We have changed the date of the parade to **Friday 1st April**. More details will follow next week but we plan for parents to watch children parade. There will be prizes!

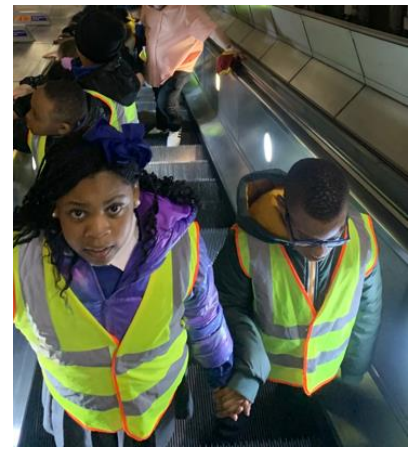
I hope the power of funny lifts your weekend! Lisa Christiansen (HoS)

School trips are back!

On Monday, Walbrook and Brent Class went on a music trip to Cadogan Hall in Sloane Square. It was to sing songs in a 'Fire' concert centered on the story of The Great Fire of London, and specifically the Diary of Samuel Pepys (the children learned about the Great Fire of London when they were in year 2).

The children represented the school superbly, both on public transport and on the journey and at the venue itself. They sung brilliantly and with big smiles and really enjoyed themselves! Massive thank you to Margaret and her team for organising the trip.

Also huge thank you to so many parents for offering to accompany us and to the three who did join us on the trip.



Debate Mate

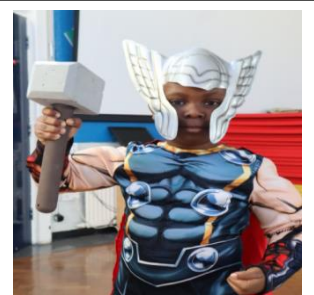
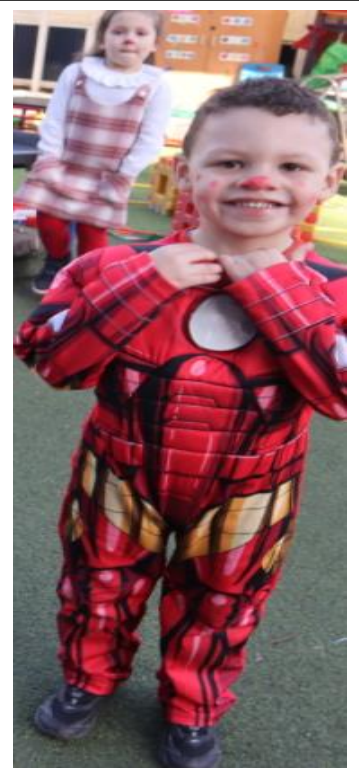
Last Wednesday the Debate Mate Club went to their first "in person" debate for over two years! They went to Dalmain School in Lewisham, where the children debated and represented our school brilliantly. The team were: Winnie, Nikolos, Muhammed, Amal, Zainab, Ufoma, Oldamola, Sara and Anifat.

Conor and Karon were really impressed with the quality of points they were giving when it was their turn to debate. Our school was one of the highest scoring schools, meaning that in each debate each of our teams scored very highly as individuals and then as a group. Well done team!

RPS Debate Mate Team



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STAR OF THE WEEK

Whale	Ramiyah	Ramiyah has worked well this week. She has really tried to improve her independent writing and has also made huge progress in her handwriting. She has really been trying hard this week. Well done Ramiyah
Octopus	Jamie	Jamie has really impressed us with his attitude this week. He is independently using his sounds in both reading and writing. He's produced some lovely writing in retelling the story, Rumpelstiltskin. Well done!
Coral	Adel	Adel for improving his handwriting and presentation. He has contributed his wonderful ideas and been a great talk partner. Keep it up!
Seal	Elizabeth	Elizabeth has really worked hard on improving her writing this week. She uses amazing adjectives, a variety of connectives and always presents her work beautifully. Her writing was shown to all of the other children as an amazing example. Well done Elizabeth
Effra	Safa	Safa worked hard in PSHE this week. She thought about how society can change their views so that they are not prejudice towards others. Amazing!
Walbrook	Lemar	For his superb work in literacy and science. He organises his ideas and thoughts very well and this shows in his written work and his calculations. Well done!
Ravensbourne	Glami	This week during our swimming lesson, one of the swimming instructors said this about Glami, "he has really come a long way and I feel proud to be a part of it..." It is heartfelt when our students are recognized for their commitment to their progress. I'd like to add my applause for Glami's growing confidence and maturity towards his learning. Well done, Glami. Keep moving forward!
Wandle	Rosianna	For excellent progress in writing – she truly is an outstanding writer and has worked so hard to get there! Her ideas are original and her descriptions are beautiful – particularly of settings. So impressed!
Lea	Mitchell	For working very hard in Maths and improving his English writing. Keep it up and well done!
Thames	Ramon	For showing great perseverance in all of his learning this week. He has tried really hard to read carefully when completing comprehension questions. Well done- keep it up!



	Half Term
Week starting 21st March	Year 1 mock phonic screening check
21st and 22nd March	West End School Workshops – stories into dance. (PE kit!)
24th March	Athlete visit.
Monday 28th to Wednesday 30th March	Scholastic Book Fair
28th March	Poetry Week Science Week
30th March	Reception parents phonic workshop- by invitation. Speak to Helen.
1st April	100% attendance awards. Easter Bonnet Parade Last day of term. Break up for the Easter holidays.
Tuesday 19th April	Children return to school for the start of the summer term.
Thursday 28th April	Parent Healthy Zones coffee morning
Week starting 9th May	Year 6 SATS tests
Month of May	Year 2 SATs testing window
Week starting 23rd May	Year 6 Condover Hall Trip
Thursday 26th May	National Thank a teacher day
Friday 27th May	Break up for half term
30th May-6th June	Half Term holiday

Attendance Matters

This week's winners of the attendance award

Whale Class 98.7%

Effra Class 97.7%.

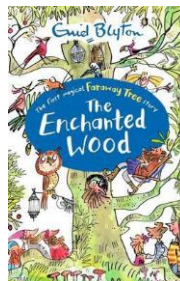
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Teacher Book Recommendations

Teaching Assistant and Phonics Manager: Jayne Kiddey

The Enchanted wood by Enid Blyton.



I first enjoyed this book when I was at primary school and my parents would read this book to me before bedtime. I then read this book to my children who loved it as well.

The book is about three children who move to a new house and find an enchanted wood nearby. In the wood they find the magical Faraway Tree with lots of strange but funny characters that live there. They soon discover that each time they climb up to the very top of the tree they are transported into a different land like the land of treats, the land of spells and the land of do-as-you-like! Each chapter has a new and exciting adventure.

This is the first book in the Faraway Tree series; there are three more books to enjoy with lots of adventures.

Enid Blyton has written many other book series you may have heard of, like The Famous Five, Malory Towers, St Claires, Secret Seven and the Naughtiest Girl series. Why not give them a try too!





Free Easter Holiday Family Activities with the London Wildlife Trust
at the Centre for Wildlife Gardening 28 Marsden Road SE15 4EE

Monday & Tuesday 4th & 5th April 10 till 3

Brilliant Birds

A fun two day course for families living in Southwark to discover garden birds, make nests, find out about spring migration, play games, learn to use binoculars, stories and crafts.

Monday & Tuesday 11th & 12th April 10 till 3

Marvellous Minibeasts

A fun two days for families living in Southwark to discover the important little animals in our garden and have fun exploring different habitats such as the pond, the log pile and the trees. Games, crafts, trails, animal Olympics. Supports school learning too.



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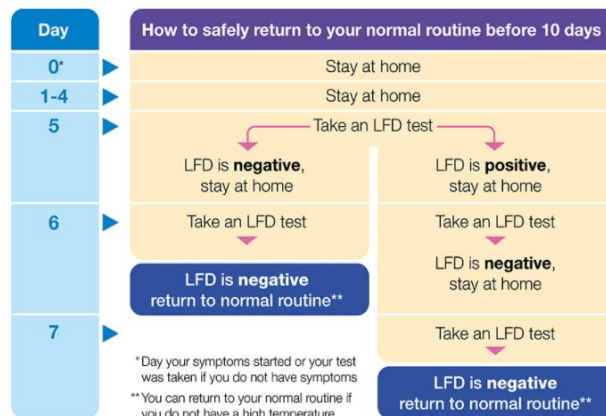
Limited places. To book visit <https://www.wildlondon.org.uk/events>

Email dwallace@wildlondon.org.uk or phone 07740 717930

COVID Update

There have been recent updates to the self-isolation guidance. Although, it is no longer a legal requirement, if you or your child tests positive for COVID the current advice is to still isolate. This advice will be reviewed on the 1st of April. For further information read the most recent update [here](#).

How to safely return to your normal routine before 10 days



If your day 5 LFD test result is positive, you can continue taking LFD tests until you receive 2 consecutive negative test results.



EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB 2022



Locations

- Rotherhithe Primary School
- Ivydale Primary School



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 01420525317



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Dates

4th April - 7th April 2022

- Session 1 - 8:30am - 12:30pm
- Session 2 - 1pm - 5:00pm



At Tree Tops Clubs we aim to support all families through the school holidays by providing high quality activities at an affordable price, giving your children a fun and unique experience.

CLUB BENEFITS



CREATIVITY



NEW SKILLS



MENTAL HEALTH



CONFIDENCE



PHYSICAL HEALTH

Tree Tops Clubs are proud to continue supporting our local authority partners by offering the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme for the second year in a row. We are able to provide eligible children **FREE** places at our Easter Holiday Camp at **SOUTHWARK** and a **HOT LUNCH** daily. Each child is entitled to book 1 session a day.

The HAF programme supports children by:

- Encouraging healthy eating
- Providing physical activities
- Assisting character development and mental wellbeing
- Accessibility to a social environment

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