

RPS Weekly Newsletter



Friday 3rd February 2023

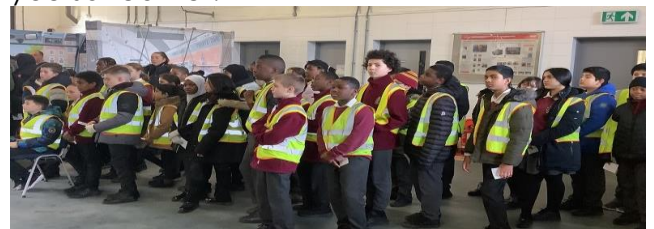
Dear Parents and Carers,

The week started off with an exciting assembly delivered by Marc Craig (Street artist). He shared with the children the fantastic scape mural that he has created in collaboration with all the children and staff at RPS. The mural surrounds the Scape Building at Canada Water and will be on show for the next two years. The mural got a thumbs up from all the children at RPS. Why not pop down and view it with your children. You can also follow the link to see the stages Marc went through while painting the mural: <https://marccraig.co.uk/>



Today Year 6 were invited to attend the Southwark Junior Citizenship Scheme at Old Kent Road Fire Station. It was a unique and invaluable opportunity for Year 6 children to learn citizenship messages and life skills from participating agencies, including The Metropolitan Police, The London Fire Brigade, Southwark Council, The London Ambulance Service and our own Transport for London Safety Citizenship Team.

The children spent their morning session taking part in interactive scenarios that teach strategies for leading a safer and more responsible lifestyle. Learning is both memorable and enjoyable. Goldie, I hope you saved her!



It is going to be a busy week next week with **Fizz Free February** kicking off the week. We invite all families to give up sugary fizzy drinks during this month – your teeth will appreciate it! And then on Tuesday 7th we have **Internet safety day** and our first ever **Spanish Day** finishes off the week on Friday. Phew... can't wait!

Have a fantastic weekend filled with quality family time! Lisa (HoS)

We Love Learning!

Friday is always a musical day at RPS. Learning to play a musical instrument is not only fun, but it also has cognitive benefits and is believed to help maths development. We are very fortunate to have Ana, who is our music teacher from Southwark Music services, teaching at RPS on Fridays. You can see the year 4 & 5 children really concentrate during their ukulele lessons.



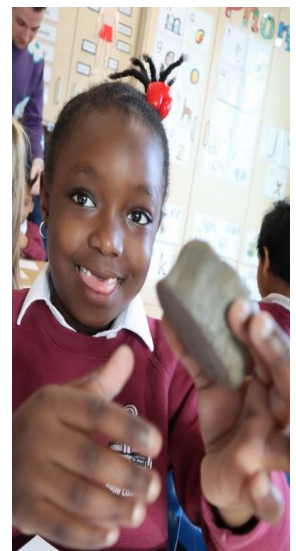
Currently the **year 3** children are learning to play the Xylophone. The xylophone is a musical instrument in the percussion family that consists of wooden bars struck by mallets. Like the glockenspiel, the xylophone essentially consists of a set of tuned wooden keys arranged in the fashion of the keyboard of a piano.

It is quite clear our children love learning to make sweet music!



Diva Lamps:

Children in Whale Class have been making Diva Lamps out of clay balls this week. A diva lamp is an oil lamp that is typically associated with Divali, the Hindu Festival of Lights. The word Divali means "row of lamps."

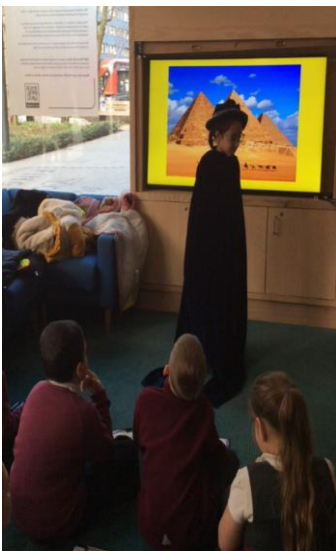


We love history!



We love learning about the past at RPS and what better way to embed our knowledge than to visit Southwark Heritage Centre. **Effra** historians visited the Centre to learn all about the Ancient Egyptians.

Historians search for artefacts from the past to help them understand and piece together the lives of others. Our historians had the opportunity to touch and handle artefacts from 3000 years ago, such as: a make-up pot, a canopic jar lid and a miniature statue from an ancient tomb. They also investigated a cryptic message written in hieroglyphics and learnt that there were over 700 characters in the hieroglyphic alphabet.



Spanish Language Day

On **Friday 10th February**, RPS Primary will be hosting our **first ever** Spanish Language Day to celebrate everything Spanish! Throughout the day children from all year groups will take part in a plethora of exciting activities, including Spanish singing, art and we even have some flamenco dance workshops!

Children are invited to dress up in a Spanish inspired costume – see ideas below. We will be collecting donations to help provide resources for the children.

Eviva España!!!



Spanish Language Day
Viernes 10 de febrero



- **Fancy dress**
- **Flamenco**
- **Hispanic Art**
- **Cooking**
- **Spanish songs**



Fancy Dress Ideas:



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Whale	Jassim	Jassim has had a fantastic week in Y1. He has been trying hard in phonics; learning new sounds and working on his blending. Jassim has also improved his listening skills. Fantastic Jassim!
Coral	James	This week when learning about Materials, James was able to use scientific language to explain his understanding of absorbency. James has also faced every task with a positive mindset and showed perseverance with each piece of work. Well done, James!
Seal	Janae	Janae is the perfect role model. She is always willing to demonstrate Talk Tasks, and she is extremely supportive to other members of the class. Keep it up Janae!
Effra	Reyaan	Reyaan has been focusing well in class and tries his hardest in all subjects. Reyaan wants to do well and succeed. He listens to others' ideas to learn from them using some within his work. Well done!
Walbrook	Hudson	For making great progress in swimming. He has been working hard with his gliding technique and has shown resilience throughout all his sessions. Well done, Hudson!
Ravensbourne	Whitney	Whitney is a student who always puts her best efforts into her learning. One of her strengths is her writing abilities. She has embraced the different author's crafts we have been exploring this year to great effect and her pieces of writing have become more engaging and entertaining to read. Keep up the good work, Whitney!
Wandle	Godwyn	Godwyn has shown such creativity in the design and creation of his book – a project that he has been working on for the last couple of months. His dedication is truly admirable, and we can't wait to see the final product!
Fleet	Femi	For working hard in maths to learn fractions and he is now an expert in playing the 'Fraction Lotto Game.' He has been working hard on them every day. Well done!
Lea	Astera	For very good improvement in her English writing lesson and for also being such a respectful pupil. Superstar!
Thames	Glami	For displaying great commitment to improving his pace during timed reading comprehension sessions. He has also shown great understanding of the questions as his written responses were succinct and pertinent. Well done!

Dates for your Diary

3 rd January	Inset Day/ staff training
4 th January	Children return to school
9 th January	World Religion Day
16 th January	Martin Luther King Day
20 th January	Hello Planet Workshops for years 3/4/5 and 6.
23 rd January	Ravensbourne Science Museum trip Lunar New Year!
31 st January	Effra class trip – Ancient Egyptians
3 rd February	Year 6 Southwark Junior Citizenship workshop– Year 6
7 th February	Internet Safety Day Walbrook Class trip – Ancient Egyptians
9 th February	Height and Weight Check Reception to year 6
10 th February	Break up for half term
20 th February	Children return to school
21 st February	Diversity Role Models workshops
23 rd February	Inclusion Quality Mark Review
27 th February	Year 2 mock SATs week
1 st and 2 nd March	Parent's Evening
Week starting 6 th March	Year 6 Mock SATs
8 th March	World Book Day
Week starting 13 th March	British Science Week
17 th March	Dress up as you favourite Scientist or science inspired costume
21 st March	World Poetry Day
Week starting 27 th March	Poetry Week
31 st March	Easter Bonnet Parade Achievement Awards Early school closure at 2pm

Teacher Book Recommendations

Teacher: Amber Weldon

Favourite Book: The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse Author: Charlie Mackesy



Synopsis: The story follows the unlikely friendship of a boy, a mole, a fox and a horse as they journey together in the boy's search for home.

This book was gifted to me by my friend, who equally loved this book. I really enjoyed the book because of the sweet friendship between the boy and the animals. They learn from one another and show that they are willing to take time to listen to each other. Life morals are weaved throughout the story and the illustrations are divine, evoking vivid imagery. There is much to learn about ourselves by reading this book.

Attendance Matters

This week's winners of the attendance award.

Walbrook class 98.8%

Wandle Class 98.6%



Well done and keep it up!

Please do not book holidays during term time!

I hear and I forget.
I see and I remember.
I do and I understand.

- Confucius



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