# **RPS Weekly Newsletter**







## Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you enjoyed the coronation and had a fantastic bank holiday Monday.



Year 6 SATS: On Tuesday morning our year 6 children arrived early ready for a special breakfast club that ran throughout the week of SATS. The children took 6 tests across the 4 days. All of the senior leaders and teaching team at RPS are very proud of our amazing year 6 children who have worked so hard this year and were very calm, focussed and hard working throughout the week during the tests. On Thursday we received a monitoring visit from the local authority, who were really impressed with the resilience and concentration of the children. Well done year 6 we are all super proud of you! I wish you all a very well-deserved rest this weekend.

### WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK 2023

Get ready to enjoy some fresh air and the milder spring weather during Walk to School week which starts on Monday 15th May. Active travel is better for our health and better for the environment. Next week is the perfect time to increase your active travel and we are encouraging families to walk, cycle, scoot or even dance to school. You may want to keep a family diary of what you see on the way. For example, how many cyclists did you see on the road? How many children and adults did you see scooting? How many cars did you notice outside your school? What did you like during your journey to school and what did you not like?

They have hatched! In the Nursery this week, our children have been awaiting the arrival of some beautiful feathery friends from the eggs that were very kindly donated to us from a local chicken farm. Well, today we were so pleased to see that all of our eggs bar one have hatched and we have some wonderful chicks!

The children are all very proud of their new friends and are looking forward to looking after them and watching them grow.



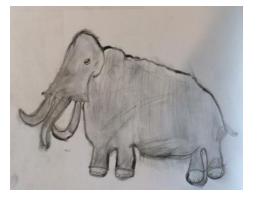
Year 2 SATs: Year 2 children have now started their SATs tests. Children will be completing their tests in groups across the next two weeks. Parents, please make sure they get a good nights sleep and praise them for their hard work and effort. Don't forget to send them in with water bottles too!



After School Clubs: Only healthy snacks are permitted when children are attending after school clubs. Fruit and water are appropriate.

I hope you have a great weekend. Lisa (HoS)

## We Love Learning



This week **year 3** have sketched animals from the Stone Age and used charcoal (a drawing implement from the Stone Age) to shade in their pictures. The idea was for the images to look like real cave paintings. They really are wonderful year 3.



**Ukulele**: We are passionate about music at RPS and on Friday's we are very lucky to have Anna from Southwark Music Service teach the children in year 4 & 5 to play the ukulele. I think from the concentration on their faces you can see they are getting ready to put on a concert for parents.

You can hear them practicing <u>here.</u>





















## Dates for your Diary

12-26th May	Year 2 SATS
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Bike ability – year 4 & 5
16 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 Equaliteach
	Workshops
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 Kooth Workshop
22 <sup>nd</sup> May-26 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 Condover Hall
	residential trip
26 <sup>th</sup> May	London History Day
	Break up for half term
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5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Rope making workshop
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5 <sup>th</sup> June	Sport Inspired team building
6 <sup>th</sup> June	workshop for year 6.
	NEST parent workshop 9:15
	Mental health 101
7 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Travel Training bus
	(for 10 children)
Week beginning	Year 1 Phonics screening
12 <sup>th</sup> June	check & Year 4
	Multiplication check to be
	administered
16 <sup>th</sup> June	School Class photos
26th June	Be healthy month starts
Onwards	
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 NEST workshop-
	Mental Health 101
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 Horniman trip
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer Fair
Week beginning	Art week
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 6 NEST workshop- Mental Health – keeping
	safe online
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 show – Cinderella
	Rockerfella 4:30 pm
	performance for parents
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4, 5 & 6 Sports Day
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Years 1, 2 & 3 Sports Day
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Prom
	Early years Sports Day.
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 graduation at 11:30
	am
	Break up for the summer
	holidays at 2 pm

"Keep love in your heart. A life without it is like a sunless garden when the flowers are dead."

– Oscar Wilde

## Teacher Book Recommendations

Head of School: Lisa Christiansen

Favourite Book: The Happy Prince and other stories by Oscar Wilde



This book is a real classic. It is a truly magical and haunting collection of stories. The Happy Prince is one of my all-time favourites.

'High above the city, on a tall column, stood the statue of the Happy Prince. He was gilded all over with thin leaves of fine gold, for eyes he had two bright sapphires, and a large red ruby glowed on his sword-hilt'.

From this position the Happy Prince sees the sorrow and hardship of his people. He wants to make a difference and enlists the help of a little swallow in the process of migrating to Egypt for the winter. This story is about heartbreak, compassion, and true goodness. I first read this book as a child and have enjoyed reading it to my own children. It still brings a tear to my eye today!

#### **Attendance Matters**

This week's winners of the attendance award.

Lea Class 98.6%



Walbrook Class 98.5%

#### Well done and keep it up!

Please do not book holidays during term time!

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Whale	Amara	Amara has been chosen as star of the week for Whale Class
		because she has tried very hard this week with her independent learning. Amara has produced some brilliant
		pieces of work and has used excellent reading skills during her
Canal		guided reading sessions. Well done, Amara.
Coral	Christine E	Christine is our 'star of the week' for her fantastic homework project. Christine created a miniature garden linked to our
		science topic about plants. Christine always ensures her
		homework is in on time and always complete her tasks to the
Seal	The Whole	best of her ability. Keep up the hard work! I have given Star of the Week to the whole class for working so
	Class	hard in preparation for our SATs Tests. The children have shown
		real determination and resilience throughout the week. Well
Effra	Annabel	done, everyone! Annabel has worked hard in computing this week, creating a
		document on power point to develop a magazine. She was
		able to create place holders so that she could design the front cover of her magazine. Well done!
Walbrook	Malakai	Malakai has made amazing progress this week. He
		demonstrated active listening and has been trying his best to
		follow instructions given to him. Malakai has been completing his work in class and has been eager to improve and uplevel. I
		am so proud of him for having such positive days. Keep it up!
Ravensbourne	Walid	Walid has always been a leader, but of late he has been
		consistent in setting a high standard in class with his listening and attentive skills. He is quick to assist his peers and I wanted
		him to know it has not been unnoticed. Well done, Walid!
Wandle	Gabby	Gabby has done some incredible writing this week. He gripped
		me with his gruesome retelling of Theseus and the Minotaur. Amazing work Gabby!
Fleet	Daniella	Daniella's approach to learning is super. She approaches all
		areas of learning with maturity and independence. Well done, Daniella!
Lea	Alix	Alix has shown amazing perseverance this week during SATS.
		She has developed in confidence while getting ready for her
Thames	Whole class	tests. Well done Alix I am very proud of you. For truly displaying our core values of ambition, courage and
		resilience during SATs week and remaining calm and
		composed whilst trying their very best in all tasks. We are
extremely proud of you all!		





#### Promoting positive mental health and wellbeing!

Nest is an organisation that supports young people who may be experiencing challenges with their mental health. They offer early intervention and prevention for emotional issues and low-level mental health such as worries, anxieties and stress. The Nest provides young people and families with the opportunities, experiences, and tools to enable them to develop their physical, emotional and social capabilities.

### All Parents are cordially invited to a parent workshop (with tea and coffee) being delivered by NEST practitioners at RPS!

#### On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June At 9:15 – 10:45 am



The nest has a range of wellbeing guides that parents can access on their website: <u>https://thenestsouthwark.org.uk/</u>





Dear Parents, Carers, Teachers, Coaches and Volunteers,

You are invited to join **Judy Murray** for a very special tennis clinic on the **31**<sup>st</sup> **May**, details below. The session will consist of many of the skills and drills that Judy used to develop **Sir Andy and Jamie Murray** as young children.

The sessions will be built around the kit bags supplied by the World Governing Body, The WTA. The session is focused on fun and development and is designed with teachers and parents in mind, ensuring you leave the session with many ideas for all the young children to enjoy.

The clinic content is pitched at fundamental level, this means you do not need to have any tennis skills, just a passion for development through sport for children. Judy coaches these sessions all over the World, and has built up an incredible reputation for ensuring everyone leaves her session motivated, inspired and informed.

If your child/children are aged over 8 years old, they will be able to attend and watch the session, and will have the opportunity to join in and experience some of the skills and drills.

#### VENUE: University of Westminster, Harrow Sports Hall Watford Rd, Northwick Park Roundabout, Harrow HA1 3TP

#### DATE: 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023 TIME: 11am - 1.30pm

You must be registered before attending. Please register here: https://forms.gle/xDznsTi7F5CQkN246

This is first come first serve and we only have 32 spaces available.

Once registered, we will confirm your place a few days after.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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