

RPS Weekly Newsletter



Friday 12th January 2024

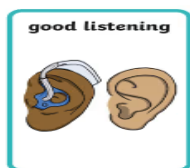
Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back. I hope you all had a fantastic break and if you celebrated Christmas, enjoyed the festivities.

Cold weather: The weather has definitely turned far colder this week and we have even seen a few flurries of snow. Please make sure that the children wrap up warmly with coats, hats, scarves and gloves as the forecast is for this to continue.

Assembly: This week in assembly we considered goal setting as part of New Year resolutions. We discussed school rules, why we have them and reviewed the school's behaviour expectations and what that looks like in school. We also discussed what to do if children are making poor choices or hurt you in the playground. The rules included reminding children to:

To listen and do as staff tell you to



Have kind hands, kind feet and kind mouths



Treat people and the school building with respect



Please remind your children of these school rules.

PE and After School Sports Club changes:

James has been a fantastic PE coach at RPS and has become so skilled he has been promoted within TGI to a new role. We were very sad to hear this news on Monday, but delighted that he will still be visiting RPS on a weekly basis. We will wish him all the best in his new role. Coach Theo has now taken over his position at RPS and will be leading PE lessons and after school sports clubs.

Hello: We welcome back Tracey (Teaching Assistant) in year 2 after her operation and Martita, our new TA who will be working in year 1 this term. We look forward to a busy term ahead.

Health and Safety/Medical Needs: Please remember that if your child requires medication to be administered in school you must have discussed and signed a form at the school office. Please update Sharon if there are any changes to your child's medical needs.

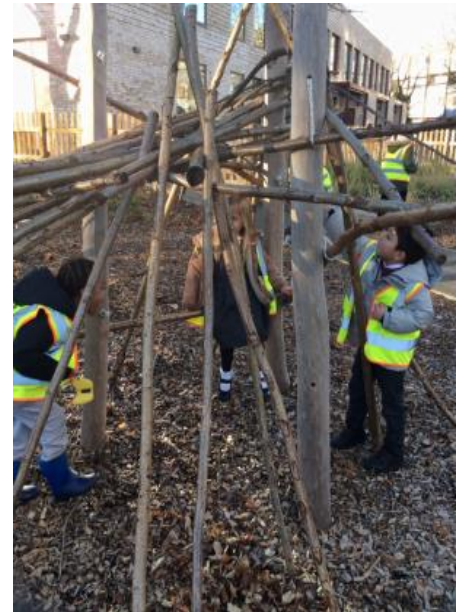
Christmas Fair: I am very pleased to inform you that we raised £593.40 from the Christmas Fair. These funds will be used to provide resources and activities for the children.

Learning with Parent Winners: Well done to Madison, Rowan, Casian and Jakob in Reception who completed all their winter activities during the Christmas break. You are superstars and deserve your certificates.

Thank you to families for your kind gifts given to staff members before the holidays. They are always appreciated.

Have a lovely weekend. Lisa (HoS)

Into the Forest!



This week at Forest School the children learned how to safely use tools. Some children removed the bark from the sticks using peelers whilst other children went on a bug hunt and others used large sticks to make a base camp. We also had great fun with the dry and crunchy leaves by jumping in them and throwing them around - some children even rolled around in them! As always we did some mindfulness and had a well-deserved snack and drink. We also read a story about a spider, before heading back to school to share our Forest School adventure with our friends.





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SCIENCE:

In Brent and Lea class this week, we started a climate change workshop with a volunteer from an organisation called climate ed.

"The climate change workshop intrigued me and I found it very interesting!" Jaida

"We thought the workshop really opened up our minds and inspired us!" Cristina & Sabreen

Our Crest Club (Science Club) will be expanding! This week, they started to prepare a toothpaste experiment that they will be sharing with new members from Year 3/4.



Technology:

In Lea class this week we designed a project where we learned how to code and how to change variables.

"It was fun and it took a while everyone's heads around it, but at the end it was really enjoyable!"

Jaida



Art:

In Thames class they started their unit in art Painting and mixed media by analysing the work of internationally acclaimed British artist- David Hockney.

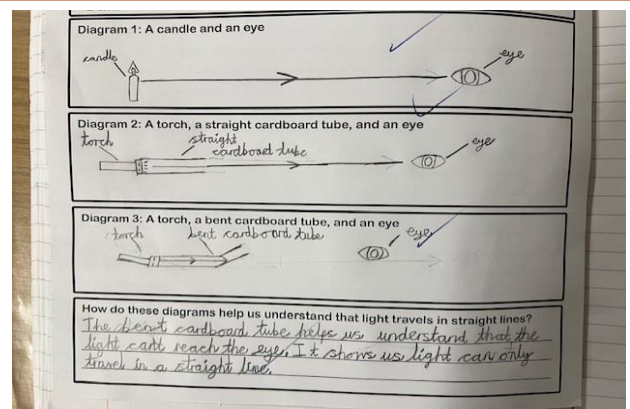
"It felt fun and enjoyable to do!" Fatima s



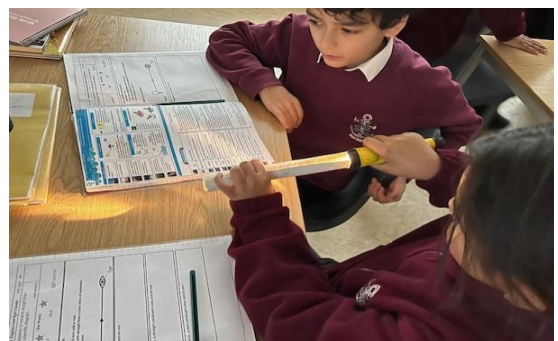
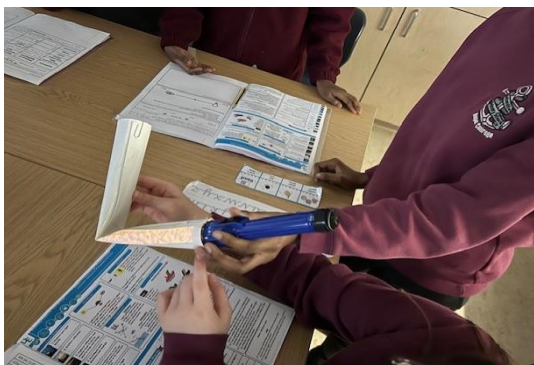
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MATH:

In Jellyfish class, they used educational figures (dice and cubes) to help them count in ones.



Year 5 & 6 Science



Year 5/6 commenced their new science unit on 'Light' (which builds on their previous learning from Year 3) with a mini experiment to observe how light travels. They then recorded their observation in the form of a scientific diagram.

Dates for your Diary

19 th January	Learning Together programme starts for some Nursery parents
1 st February	Read Write Inc Development Day
2 nd February	London History Day
6 th February	Internet Safety Day
7 th February	Travel Training Bus – for some year 6 children
8 th February	Eden and Avon Class dance performance for parents 2:45 pm.
9 th February	Break up for half term
	Half Term Break
19 th February	Children return to school
20 th and 21 st February	Parent's Evening
22 nd February	Year 1 dance lessons start
Week beginning 26 th February	Parent's meetings with children with SEND need LGBTQ+ week
29 th February	Inclusion Quality Mark Review
7 th March	World Book Day
26 th March	Easter Bonnet Parade
28 th March	Year 1 Dance performance for parents.
28 th March	Break up for the Easter holidays. Finish at the normal time.
	Easter Break
	Children return to school

Attendance Matters

This week's winners of the attendance award.

Thames Class 96.8%

Whale Class 96%

Well done and keep it up!

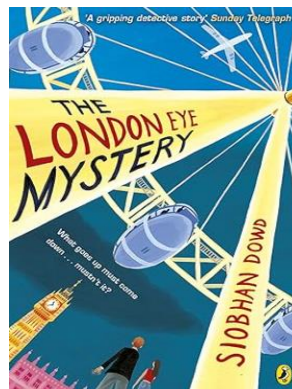
Please do not book holidays during term time!



Teacher Book Recommendations

Teacher: Michelle

Favourite Book: The London Eye Mystery by Siobhan Dowd



The London Eye Mystery by S. Dowd is being read by the Year 5/6 Book Club. It's a story told where the main character is a young boy with a diagnosis that some may think hinders his life, but actually it is his superpower. His cousin comes to London and is desperate to visit the London Eye, however, the problem is when the capsule arrives back at the exit he is nowhere to be found. And so, begins the Agatha Christie style 'where-is-he' adventure. Read the book. It had me gripped during the Christmas Break.

Why not try one of these books written by this author and tell me if I should read them too.



Quote of the week

My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humour, and some style - Maya Angelou



Whale	Cleo	Cleo has had a fantastic week. She has followed all instructions and has made fantastic progress and improvement in her writing. Cleo is really enjoying our new topic: Toys. Well done, Cleo.
Octopus	Edward	Edward has made a positive start to Spring Term and is following class routines. We have loved hearing his contributions during discussions. We look forward to you spending more and more time in the classroom.
Seal	Rayyan	Rayyan has shown an excellent attitude to all aspects of her learning since returning from the holidays. She puts 100% into everything she does. Keep it up!
Avon	Ava-Rose	Ava-Rose has been such an empathetic, kind and caring class member this term. She was being very supportive to a child who felt anxious and scared during a swimming lesson. Ava-Rose made sure that her friend felt safe and really calmed them down. It really melted my heart to see this.
Eden	Ayaan	Ayaan is a hardworking class citizen. It is most evident when he works in small group settings. He has attended booster sessions and each and every time has a smile on his face. His attitude towards his learning is commendable and I wanted him to know I notice his determination and drive to be a better student. Keep it up, Ayaan.
Tyne	Heaven	Heaven always works hard on all aspects of her homework. She strives to do the best and goes above and beyond. Heaven independently chooses to go on Times Table Rock Stars, Developing Experts and consistently reads every day.
Brent	Lexi	For her enthusiasm for learning. She works incredibly hard and strives for excellence in every lesson. She is a great friend too and is always willing to help her friends if they are finding work challenging.
Lea	Whole Class	Despite having a change of teacher, the children have settled into the new term beautifully. They have shown respect, maturity and excellent behaviour for learning. Well done everyone!
Thames	Maya	For displaying great perseverance and commitment in tackling challenging concepts in mathematics, particularly when comparing and ordering fractions. Well done!

PLAYERS WANTED



A NEW Girls Football Team is coming to Southwark and we are looking for players to join our journey.



Scan the QR code to register your interest. We are currently looking for players to join our U9's (current year 3) and U11's (current year 5).

NEW GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM



Hounslow and Richmond
Community Healthcare
NHS Trust



Childrens & Young Peoples Flu Vaccinations in Southwark
2024 presents.
School aged children Flu vaccinations from Reception to Year 11

Date & Time	Venue: Full Address
Saturday 13 th January 2024 Time: 9.30 to 1.30pm	Ann Berndt Children & Family Centre 29 Chandler Way London SE15 6DT
Saturday 20 th January 2024 Time: 9.30 to 1.30pm	Ann Berndt Children & Family Centre 29 Chandler Way London SE15 6DT

- No appointment just turn up and wait.
- Consent on the day or via the QR code below before you arrive.



OR

Use the link provided to access the electronic consent form
<https://sav.hrch.nhs.uk/flu/2023/southwark>

or call office on 0208 614 5495/5496 if you want more information in different languages visit:
[Share good times not flu | Flu leaflet in 13 languages.](#)



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