

RPS Weekly Newsletter



Friday 13th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

'Sustaining the wonder that sustains us' was the theme for **'World Oceans Day'** on the 8th of June. There have been lots of discussions in the news about how to protect our oceans and in assembly on Monday, the children considered how important our oceans are for humans. Did you know that our oceans cover 70% of the earth's surface and that 97% of the world's water is in the oceans? Our oceans also provide 50% of the oxygen that we breathe. The children thought about the things they have seen while at the seaside and how the oceans provide us with food and water essential for our survival. They also looked at how humans are causing damage to the oceans through pollution and overfishing. You, can also watch the short educational film clip the children watched in assembly:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/articles/zp87tcw>

The children talked about what we can do to help make a difference; reducing plastic use was the number one idea. Remembering to recycle and to use fabric bags instead of plastic ones, reusable metal bottles and paper straws.



PLEASE RECYCLE THESE ITEMS

Creekside Discovery Centre: Year 4 & 5 children from Wandle class visited Creekside on Friday. Once there, they pulled on their wader boots and waddled through the docks in Deptford. They collected and observed Asiatic Clams, Freshwater Shrimps, Tubifex Worms and other micro-organisms in small groups.



For the next forty-five minutes, students touched and discussed artefacts that were found in the river. They then determined which industry the items were associated with - which were pottery, the slaughterhouse, the railway, blacksmiths and the shipyard. It was a great day for learning and a lot of fun too!!



Multiplication Check (MTC) and Phonics

Screening Check (PSC): Teachers reported how proud they were of the children when they delivered the MTC and PSC this week. The children worked very hard. We were moderated on Tuesday by the local authority to check the PSC was being delivered correctly. We did of course receive positive feedback! Well done children and teachers!

Have a great weekend! Lisa (HoS)

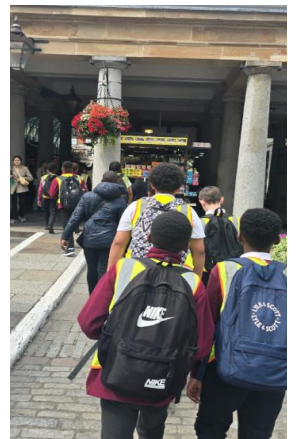
Year 6 love trips



On Monday, Year 6 visited the Garden Museum where they participated in a workshop about how plants from different biomes have adapted to their environment. They had a great time using the digital microscope to view different types of leaves and explore their different features including the stomata (minute pores in the epidermis of the leaf).



One trip was not enough for Year 6 this week – they have been on three trips! On Tuesday the children travelled to Covent Garden to hone their computing and art skills with a creative visit to the Apple Store. There they discovered a different way of drawing their portraits. They experimented with the Apps 'Freeform' and 'Procreate' to take a photo and utilise different tools and features. The results are amazing!



"We created a gaming room by blowing powder paint and painting the walls and floors. We used tape for the carpet. Liked that we used lots of different medium to create this installation art." - Jahaiz

Art and Design

Year 4/5 have been making installation art explosions!



Science

This week year 6 have went on a trip to the gardening museum and have learnt about different plants and how they adapt to their surroundings.

"It was fun to see all the plants. We learned different medicinal uses of plants" - Adela



Mathematics

In year 1, they have been valuing money using coins and bead strings.



"We counted the values of the coins and put them on to the part-whole model" - Yong



At the apple store trip, year 6 used 2 different apps (procreate and freeform) with an apple

Computing

This week year 6 have went on a trip to the apple store and have done some tracing on ipads using the apps 'Freeform' and 'Procreate'.



Save the date

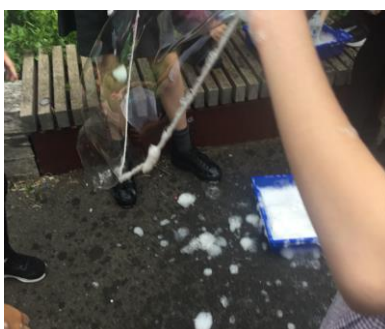
11th July 2025

3:30 – 5pm

Lots of fun activities



Science club is back



As the weather has been lovely of late, Alex took Science Club outside at lunchtime for an exploration of bubbles! This also enabled the children to share their learning with the whole school. They explored home-made bubble mixture and wands. While using them, they looked more closely at the characteristics and behaviour of soap bubbles. Also, they learnt how to make giant bubbles and found out why bubbles are usually round. This is because when you blow a soap bubble, a thin skin of soap solution that contains the air is always pulling inwards and the air is pushing outwards. The force pushing inwards and the force pushing outwards will always exactly balance making the final shape round. Amazing!

Dates for your Diary

	Half Term Break
2.6.25	Children return to school Trent and Severn class trip to Creekside
3.6.25	Young Readers Event for year 1 & 2 children Year 6 Michael Morpurgo online workshop
Week starting 9.6.25	Multiplication Check for year 4 to be administered Phonics Screening Check to be administered for Year 1 and some year 2 children
Between 9.6.25-20.6.25	Key Stage 1 SATS start.
9.6.25	Severn class Garden Museum trip
10.6.25	Trent class Garden Museum trip
11.6.25	Trent Climate Workshop – year 6
12.6.25	Severn Climate Workshop – year 6
13.6.25	Wandle class Creekside trip Class photographs am
26.6.25	Fleet Class Creekside trip Drama 4 all workshops Reception, Nursery and year 1
27.6.25	Ravensbourne Class Creekside trip
1.7.25	Year 1 & 2 dress pyjama day Final young Readers book event
2.7.25	Secondary school transition day for many schools
4.7.25	Fleet class trip to Central School of Ballet Spanish Day
8.7.25	Year 4, 5 & 6 Sports Day
9.7.25	Reception and Nursery Sports Day
10.7.25	Year 1, 2 & 3 Sports Day
11.7.25	Summer Fair
14.7.25	Parents Evening
15.7.25	Meet your new class teacher Year 6 Lion King performance 4:30 pm
16.7.25	Sailing trip
17.7.25	Year 6 prom
21.7.25	Celebration Awards
22.7.25	End of Year parties/Year 6 graduation/ Break up

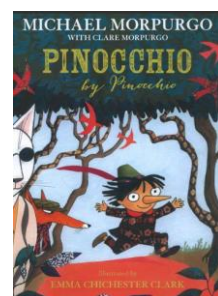
Attendance Matters

Class	Weekly percentage	Star attendance winners
Penguin	88.8%	
Jellyfish	91.7%	
Octopus	87.5%	
Whale	93.3%	
Eden	96%	★
Tyne	91%	
Avon	93.1%	
Fleet	90.3%	
Ravensbourne	96.8%	★
Wandle	84.9%	
Severn	92%	
Trent	91.7%	

Please do not book holidays during term time!
This may lead to a penalty notice.

Children's Book Recommendation

Book: **Pinocchio**
Author: **Michael Morpurgo**
Reviewer: **Esther**



I really like this book because it is very funny and entertaining. This book is all about the classic tale of Pinocchio but from Pinocchio's point of view - a stunningly beautiful interpretation of the classic story. Michael Morpurgo channels Pinocchio's words to tell the famous puppet's story in his own cheeky and always funny way. I really liked the pictures in black and white; it makes the reader more focused on the reading than the pictures. Michael Morpurgo is our author of the term in class and this week we had a workshop with the man himself and he was very inspirational. I urge everyone to read his books!

THE GREATEST THREAT
TO OUR PLANET IS THE
BELIEF THAT SOMEONE
ELSE WILL SAVE IT.

— Robert Swan



Star of the Week

Whale	Sapphire	For her creativity, focus and incredible skill in paper folding. She truly stood out in Art this week. from intricate folds to imaginative designs. Well done for your effort and the beautiful results you achieved. Keep it up!
Octopus	Whole Class	For their brilliant resilience and effort during the phonics screening check this week! Well done 😊
Tyne	Sara	This week we are thrilled to celebrate Sara as our Star of the Week! She has blown us away with her incredible reading skills; showing not only confidence and fluency but also a wonderful ability to read with expression. Whether it's non-fiction, a story or a poem, Sara brings the words to life with her voice, making her reading a joy to listen to.
Eden	Aidan	Aidan has been working hard on his handwriting to improve its neatness and how he forms his letters. Keep practicing and you will do great!
Avon	Aurora	For working hard on mastering the column method in math as she found this very challenging to begin with. This week she was resilient and solved maths equations using this method. Keep it up!
Fleet	Amelia Naidoo	Excellent work in her team during a group learning project focusing on creating installation art. Amelia listened to ideas, supported friends and made compromises that produced great work! Great job!
Ravensbourne	Tony	For his amazing efforts in science. Tony's understanding of how plants reproduce is impressive and, his investigation skills are outstanding. Keep it up!
Wandle	Emre	Emre loves Science! I wanted to commend him on his ability to learn, remember and apply his subject-specific knowledge and vocabulary during our Science lessons. He is always extending our lessons with his insight and subject knowledge. Science lessons are always interesting with his contributions.
Severn	Leandro	For participating in the Garden Museum workshop with great enthusiasm and applying knowledge and understanding of the adaptations of plants to our Geography learning on the importance of rainforests. Excellent cross-curricula learning!
Trent	Jonathan	On a trip to the Garden Museum this week, Jonathan really impressed the leader of the workshop with his recall of key Scientific concepts, such as photosynthesis. I was very proud of him!



WE NEED YOUR DONATIONS

FOR OUR SUMMER FAIR

Are you having a clearout? Need to get rid of unwanted items? We are looking for unwanted items for our Bric a Brac sale at the RPS summer fair.

Please bring in your unwanted items by Monday 30th June.

WE need the following donations:

- ☒ Toys
- ☒ Clothes and shoes
- ☒ Household Items
- ☒ Bric a brac items
- ☒ Unwanted gifts

Please bring in your unwanted items to the office. These will be sold by Kealan at the summer fair. Every donation helps.



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OUT OF SPACE SUMMER PARTY

WEDNESDAY 13TH
AUGUST 2025
12PM-4PM

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SUMMER SCHEDULE

21ST JULY - 22ND AUGUST 2025
St Joseph's Primary, Deptford, SE8 3PH

WEEK ONE
ANIMAL WEEK

WEEK TWO
SPACE & PLANET EARTH

WEEK THREE
MOVIE & MUSIC

WEEK FOUR
COMIC SUPERHEROES

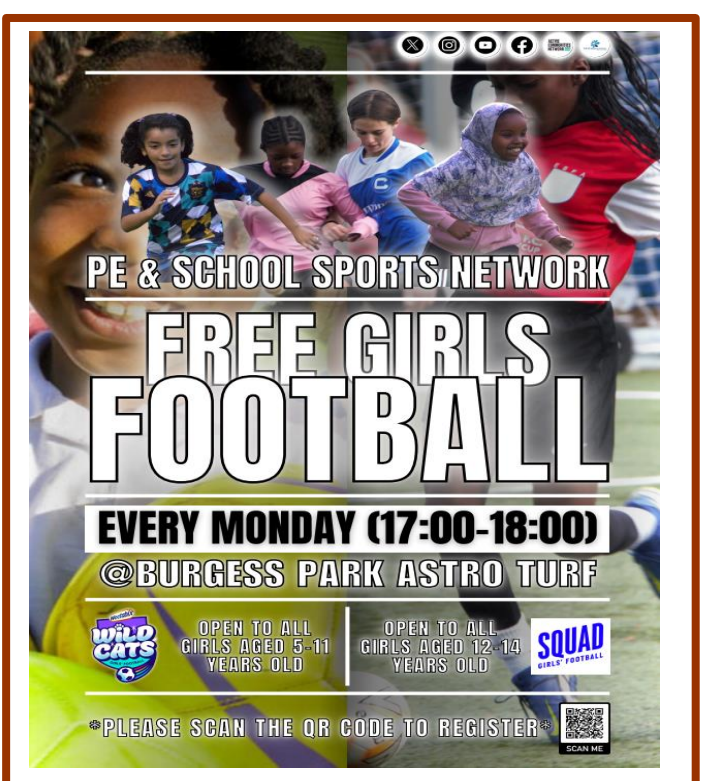
WEEK FIVE
SUMMER FUN
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