

Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year! The break felt like quite a long one and we are all feeling refreshed and ready for 2023. I hope that you are too.

On behalf of myself and all the staff, I would like to thank you for your Christmas wishes, cards and gifts. We are very grateful. We are still enjoying some of the delicious treats given to us as a staff team.

We have started the term by thinking about the people we admire and their positive qualities. We want the children to realise that academic achievement at our school is non-negotiable. We want them all to acquire the knowledge that they are going to need to fully access the key stage 3 curriculum and beyond. In addition, we want them to be people that others will admire because of the positive qualities that they have developed.

As you will have seen, part of their homework this week is for them to find out more about the person they admire so that they can identify the qualities that make that person admirable.

We would welcome your support in helping your child to complete the homework by discussing it with them. I wonder if you will be surprised by the person they choose?

I wish you all the very best for 2023.

Best wishes,

Bola Soneye-Thomas
Headteacher

Term Dates 2022-2023

Spring Term 2023

03/01/2023 – 31/03/2023

Half Term 2023

13/02/2023 – 17/02/2023

Summer Term 2023

17/04/2023 – 21/07/2023

Half Term 2023

29/05/2023 – 02/06/2023

Tad Days

Thursday	01/09/2022
Friday	02/09/2022
Monday	31/10/2022
Tuesday	03/01/2023
Monday	05/06/2023

**Bank Holiday for the
Coronation 08/05/2023.**

School Meals Costs

Autumn Term

1 st half	£87.50
2 nd half	£85.00
Total	£ 172.50

Spring Term

1 st half	£70.00
2 nd half	£75.00
Total	£145.00

Summer Term

1 st half	£72.50
2 nd half	£85.00
Total	£157.50

Visits and Visitors

We had our first school trip today with one of the year 5 classes visiting the headquarters of the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA). We are lucky enough to have the support of RIBA annually. They connect the school with an architectural firm who then support year 5 with one of their Design and Technology (D&T) units of work. The other two year 5 classes will be going next week. Thank you to the parents that have volunteered to accompany them. As far as possible, we use public transport for our school trips for several reasons, including keeping costs down, it is better for the environment and it teaches children how to use public transport safely.



Reminders

At the end of last term, there was a lot of sickness in children and in adults. Fortunately, as a 3 form entry school, planning is done as a team so the children still continue with the curriculum set when their teacher is absent. However, it meant a lack of continuity as different people were in at different times. Please help to prevent the spread of any illnesses by keeping your child at home when they are unwell.

Food Bank

We have an ongoing collection for the Food Bank. Any donations are welcomed and can be handed in to the school office - thank you.

Joining our schools

January 15th is the closing date for applications for a reception place at Rokesly Infants. If you have a younger child that is about to start school or if you have a friend that has children that would like to attend our wonderful school, please do not forget to apply. If you or they would like to visit before applying, there is a tour of the schools next week. Please contact the infant school office by telephone on 02083487467 or by email at admin@rokesly-inf.haringey.sch.uk to book a place on the tour.

PSA

The next PSA coffee morning is in the Junior Round Hall on Wednesday 11th of January at 9am. You are invited to attend as you are all members of the PSA. Unfortunately, I will not be there as I will be doing some mandatory training on safer recruitment. However, Nikki Cains, the assistant headteacher will be attending. It will be a good opportunity to meet other parents and to hear about any events coming up.

Support

The Cost-of-Living crisis is already having quite a significant detrimental effect on some. Please do contact the school if you need support so that we can try and help you to access help. We have an assigned school home support worker, Peter Harvey (covering Bea Fenton) who is in school every Wednesday. Just come along to the school office on a Wednesday and ask to speak with him. You do not need an appointment. However, we are all here to help so please feel free to speak with whoever you feel most comfortable with on the staff team.

Please find the link below to access an information sheet that was sent out with the last newsletter with information on a range of support that is available for families.

https://www.haringey.gov.uk/sites/haringeygovuk/files/cost_of_living_support_guide.pdf