

Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have come to the end of another very busy half term. It has been lovely to see so many of you in school with us for your child's class assembly. I hope that you enjoyed the opportunity to have a snap shot of what the children have been learning in school.

I particularly enjoy seeing each class come together as a team and the way the children learn their lines and speak so confidently.

Thank you to the teaching team who work hard on the scripts. It's quite tricky creating a role for everyone.

I look forward to the assemblies that we have scheduled for next half term.

Yours faithfully,
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

There have been several trips this half term. Year 4 have visited the British Museum as part of their Ancient Egypt unit of work. Year 6 went to the Imperial War Museum as part of their World War II unit and Year 5 went to the Royal Institute of British Architects RIBA headquarters. A group of architects from Pickard Evering then came into school on a number of occasions to work with year 5 on their architectural unit of work. Last Friday, there was an exhibition to share their designs with their parents/carers.

Year 3 have a trip planned for next half term. The majority of our educational visits are linked to the unit of work that the children are studying and they are used to support learning. Thank you to parents/carers that were able to accompany their child's class.

Online Safety

The use of technology is part of our everyday lives. We therefore have a duty to ensure that we teach children the skills to be safe when online as the internet is the gateway to the world. We do this through discussions and through half termly taught sessions on online safety. This includes being discerning and recognising that just because information is presented on their screens, it doesn't necessarily mean that it is true. Every year we participate in Safer Internet Day. This year the focus was sharing online experiences. In addition, to working with the children, we offer an annual online safety session to parents/carers to help you to keep your child safe online. Thank you to those of you that were able to attend the session on Wednesday. Please click on the **link** below to access some information about how you as parents/carers can keep your child safe in online.

<https://rokeslyjnr.wordpress.com/wp-content/uploads/parents-presentation-parenting-in-a-digital-world-2023.pdf>

Governors Away Day

Governors spent the morning of Friday 27th January in school. They attended assembly, had informal discussions with the staff team, spent time in the playground at break time and with their school council representative guide, visited every class. It was a good opportunity to see the school in operation and to hear from different members of

the school community.

Acknowledgement

As a school academic attainment is non-negotiable, but in addition we work hard to develop the children socially and emotionally so that they become well rounded caring global citizens that are able to make a positive contribution to society. We are always delighted when the children think of others and ways in which they can improve things.

Well done to the year 4 pupils who organised a collection of clothing for their cub leader to send to Ukraine. Well done to the year 6 group that organised a cake sale out of school and raised £750 for Haven House and well done to the year 6 group that held a fun cake sale and donated half of their proceeds to the school. Thank you to you all.

To any others of you planning such events please ensure that you have your parent's permission and support.

PSA

A huge thank you to the PSA for a successful quiz night. A great time was had by all. The infant school team has never beaten the junior school team before so we are already looking forward to next year when we will make our comeback.

Support

Our thoughts and prayers go out to everyone impacted by the horrific earthquake in Turkey. After the holidays we shall be holding a fundraising event in aid of Turkey.

Reminder

Next week is half term week. We shall all be back at school on Monday 20th February to start the second half of the academic year.