

R A Butler's Weekly Newsletter – 15 March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers.

It has been lovely to finally see some sunshine this week and to welcome parents in for our various workshops which we hope you found useful. We know the children love sharing their learning with you. Thank you for your kind Comic Relief donations today.

Come dine with me!

We were delighted to welcome 40 Y1 parents to share a roast lunch with their children earlier this week. The atmosphere in the Infant Hall was great. We hope you enjoyed it too. We look forward to seeing our Reception parents next week.

Diary Dates Next Week

18-22 Mar Week 3 Lunch Menu

18 Mar Summer Club Sign Up Deadline 9am

18 Mar Y6 Young Shakespeare

20 Mar R Parent Lunch 11.55am (pre booked)

22 Mar Y2&Y5 Swimming





There'll be music everywhere

Yesterday evening we held a lovely music concert for the children who take lessons with our peripatetic music teachers. We know how much practise is involved in learning an instrument and it so great to showcase their achievements. Our choir also had opportunity to perform and their singing of Viva La Vida and When I Grow Up was beautiful. Well done to everyone who took part, we know how nervous some can get when performing, they showed great resilience and all did so well.

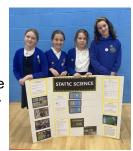


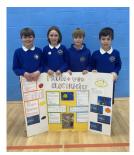




Big Bang Fair

The children who entered the Herts and Essex Big Bang Fair STEM project competition had a fantastic day on Tuesday. They were wonderfully articulate when presenting their projects to visitors of all ages and they had a great time exploring the other stalls









as well as the careers fair. Congratulations to the Egg-Tastic Geodes group, who won Best Visual Presentation KS2. All of the Year 6 children who have carried out an independent science project this term shared their experiments with KS2 children at breaktime today, sharing lots of fascinating science facts and offering a range of hands-on activities.

Online Exploitation

The Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) tracks down videos and imagery of child sexual abuse online and works to have it removed. The charity has reported that a 'shocking' number of under 10s are being manipulated, groomed, or coerced into performing sexual acts online – more than ever before. Almost every webpage (92%) the IWF worked to remove in 2023 included 'self-generated' material extorted from children who had been groomed or coerced by predators using webcams. These are frightening facts. It is so important that dialogue with children remains open, sadly even for young children if they have online access. I do encourage you all to put The 2 Johns visit date in your diaries to hear more about how you can keep your children safe online - evening of 7th May. Time to be confirmed.

Bridge End Garden Visit

Year 1 had a wonderful, sunny morning at Bridge End Gardens observing a variety of plants. The children went on a scavenger hunt to identify lots of different plants and compared their structures. A lovely time was had by all!



Sporting Achievements

It has been a fabulous, busy week for sport starting with the Y5/6 hockey teams who travelled to JFAN for a local schools competition. Sixteen teams took part in total with two RAB teams placing third in their groups and the third team finishing 4th overall. We then hosted a Y5/6 netball fixture against Fairstead House, with two teams playing and providing RAB with a double win. Finally our three Y5/6 netball teams played with great enthusiasm at an Uttlesford tournament of fourteen teams placing 6th, 9th, 10th. Well done to all the children who took part, some fantastic play and sportsmanship.

	RAB READING OLYMPIANS	
BRONZE Eva F	SILVER Meredith F	GOLD Bonnie K Emmy B
	RAB BOOKWORMS	
BRONZE	SILVER Layla K Phoebie E Teddy M	GOLD Billy O Henry M





Summer Term Clubs

Don't forget to sign up for Summer Term Clubs via the following links: <a href="https://rabinfants.schoolcloud.co.uk/Auth/Adminhttps://rabjuniors.schoolcloud.co.uk/adminloginhttps://rabjuniors.schoolcloud.co.uk/adm

The deadline is 9am.

Sustrans Big Walk & Wheel 2024

For 2 weeks 11-22 March, we are taking part in a national initiative that encourages children to walk, cycle or scooter to school. Our school council reps will be collating the results each day and submitting them to the project. Schools with the highest participation will be awarded prizes. Keep up the good work!

Vacancy

Late Play are looking for someone to join their after school team. You can find further details here.

	Stars of the Week	
Reception		
Otis M	Lyra S	Teddy N
Lilly-Mae S	Oliver P	Hannah T
Year 1		
Isla C	Ethan P	Jayden H
Willow S	Jack H	Isla P
Year 2		
Holly N	Freddie B	Seb C
Lani E	Raymond B	Sam B
Year 3		
Leo D	Finley A	Aoife F
Ava D	Thomas C	Alex C
Year 4		
Ruth C	Ella P	Daniel W
Bale L	Prithiv A	Eve P
Year 5		
Harper H	Amelia M	Daisy R
Summer M	Henry B	Precious M
Year 6		
Bella M	Stanley C	Ellie G
Lyla C	Nathan S	Ethan W
Infant Lunchtime Cup	1MI	
Junior Lunchtime Cup	5MGL	

Future Diary Dates		
25-28 Mar 28 March 15 April 19 April 7 May	Parent Consultations Easter Term Ends 1.30pm Children Return to School Y5 Celtic Harmony Camp pm 2 Johns Online Safety Workshop for Par ents	
You can find term dates for this academic year and next <u>here</u> .		