

RHODES AVENUE PRIMARY SCHOOL

November 2017: Issue 2

This is a wonderful time of the year with so much nature to see and enjoy. As darkness creeps forward and the winter chills set in the air, can I remind all families to stay safe. The children should be collected by an adult at the end of the day, especially if attending an after school club. Lights are fitted to bikes and scooters and we hope to see **all** children wearing a coat to school.

Many of you have also asked about the crossing patrol. After speaking with Haringey Council, I am pleased to inform you that they are currently in the process of recruiting a new person to help our children cross Albert Road safely.

I would like to congratulate the pupils from 5AC, 5ST and 5CN for their magical class assemblies. Anglo Saxon, Vikings, superstition, co-operation tales and stories told very well – well done to all involved.

The school has been successfully reaccredited with our Inclusion Quality Mark. The mark celebrates our inclusive approach to teaching and the work we do with all pupils. We have also been recognized for our work and commitment to STEM. Both awards should be celebrated to show our commitment to providing the very best education for all pupils.





Please take note of the dates for your diaries as I wouldn't want you to miss any of the wonderful events taking place.

Learning starts at 9am

Please support your children by ensuring they are ready to be taken into school at 8.55am

The whole school attendance so far is 97.3%.





Congratulations to the U9 chess team who played at Lochinver House in a tournament last month.

The children had a great time, even though the chess was tough, and played exceptionally well. We are super proud of your dedication and determination.

Kamlesh Karia





Friends of Albert Road Recreation Ground & Play Area

We are so very lucky to have such great recreational facilities on our doorstep. FARRG provide events for children, adults and families throughout the year, a local organisation for families within the area. If you would like to know more about what FARRG does or to get involved come along to their AGM on Monday 20th November @ 7.30pm in the Pavilion Café.

Other FARRG Events

Join Friends of your park for just £5 per year and to help support the amazing local activities that take place.

Wombles Litter Pick Saturday 4th November from 2pm, bring gloves and rubbish bags – litter pickers provided.

Pavilion Jive – a mix of lessons and dance, Thursday 9^{th} November @ 7.30pm. £10 (concessions £6)

The next action day at the pond is Sunday 12th November run by The Conservation Volunteers (TCV) and it's 10.30am to 2pm.

Thank you

A special thank you to all members of Santander who supported our school grounds development over the summer break. These volunteers worked throughout the holidays to paint, dig, plan, jet-wash and sweep the school grounds.

Your support was very much appreciated.





Not 1 or 2 but 3!!



Congratulations Joe who, over the summer, completed a 25.5 mile walk to support the Motor Neurone Disease Association. This walk was no ordinary walk, Joe completed the Yorkshire Three Peaks Walk, climbing three mountains (Pen-y-ghent, Whernside and Ingleborough) all in one day. A staggering distance for a great charity – well done Joe we are all very proud of your achievement.

RAPSA

Thank you to everyone who came to the AGM on Tuesday 17th. As well as a general and financial review of the year and a brief discussion with Mr Claridge and parents on use of RAPSA funds going forward, we voted in our new Co-Chairs Claire Pape and Julie Harrison and Co-Treasurer Karen Konowalchuk. Sheena Patel will continue as Co-Treasurer and Helen Gilbert will continue as Secretary. Rachel Sanders is RAPSA's new Rep Co-ordinator. We are delighted to have such a strong team to carry on the great work!

Please make a note of the following dates:

JUMBLE SALE: Saturday 11th November 1-4pm

Please start digging out your jumble over the half term. Drop-off will be from Monday 6th November.

QUIZ NIGHT: Friday 17th November from 7pm

10 rounds of questions to suit all interests, plus yummy finger food. Teams are from 8-10 people, or we can place smaller groups in teams.

CHRISTMAS FAIR: Saturday 2nd December 2-5pm

Start off your Christmas shopping at the Christmas Market Stall while Santa makes an appearance in his grotto.

Alexandra Chorus

Thank you to the Alexandra Chorus and musical director Veronica Chacón-Royet for raising £100 for the school by donating £1 of every ticket sold for their concert held on 8^{th} July. In addition, Veronica's mum kindly donated a further £60.

Grenfell Tower collection

There was a collection to help people affected by the Grenfell Tower fire at the Fun Day bar which raised £96.67 – thank you to all who donated

Cross Country Running

What an amazing start to the sporting achievements. Girls from Years 5 and 6 competed in the Haringey Schools Cross Country race on 26th September. 138 girls entered from years 5,6, 7, 8 and 9 and all 5 Rhodes Avenue runners finished in the top 60 places. Huge congratulations to Ella A our top placed runner. Well done to our other amazing runners Milla O, Rocca F and Lulu O you should be very proud; I know we are!





Nursery Offer September 2018

The school will be offering: 30 places x 30 hours and 30 places for 15 hours provision.

Some parents will qualify for 30 hours of free provision, others will have the option to pay for additional hours.

Do you meet the criteria for 30 hours of free Nursery?

Not everyone is eligible - the extra 15 hours are only available to **working parents** who work more than 16 hours a week and earn under £100,000 per year. This is different to the current free childcare scheme which is open to everyone (15hours).

To be eligible for 30 hours free childcare:

- * Your child will be aged 3 or 4 when the scheme starts
- * You'll work more than 16 hours per week
- * You'll have an annual income of less than £100,000

Application Forms are available on the school website. We will also be providing a paid extended offer for the full time Nursery children.

Stepping back in time.....

On Friday 15th September all the children in Year 3 had the most amazing trip to the 'Chiltern Open Air Museum', an open air historical settlement in Bucks. This exciting trip near the beginning of their new topic, 'Stone Age to Iron Age', really brought this period to life. We were blessed with extremely good weather and the children loved learning and exploring in this beautiful woodland setting.

During the day, the children took part in a variety of activities with costumed educators. They learnt about the Mesolithic period, the 'middle' Stone Age, with hands on experience of re-enacting hunting and gathering; starting their own fire; creating a temporary shelter; making pigment based paint and creating twine. In the Iron Age workshop, the children experienced what it would be like to live in an Iron Age house



(very smoky!). They looked at how people began to farm and produce food. The children were even able to make their own butter! They also hand-milled grain and made flatbread on the fire in the Iron Age house.

We would like to thank everyone for their help on the day, you were all brilliant, and a fantastic and informative day was had by all!

Sam Perkins







Lights, camera, action....



Woody has had a fantastic year filming and has several projects due to release towards the end of 2017 and in 2018.

2017 sees the U.K. Release of The White Princess where he was lucky enough to play a young Henry the VIII in episodes 5-8 after great success and nomination for the Golden Globe.

2018 sees the release of Troy Fall of a City where Woody played Evander in all 8 episodes.

2018, will also see the release of his feature debut, where he played Benedict Cumberbatch's son, in The Current War the

of Thomas Edison.

Woody has been lucky enough to have landed his first lead role in the feature Bruno set to debut in Toronto.

A star in the making – Well done Woody

Christmas Show Timetable

The dates and times for the 2017 Christmas show are below. I hope this provides you with sufficient time to book time from work for a show that cannot be missed!

Nursery and Reception will be doing their very own special performances.

Show 1	Show 2	Show 3
WEDNESDAY 6 TH DECEMBER - 10AM THURSDAY 7 TH DECEMBER - 2PM	THURSDAY 7 TH DECEMBER - 10AM FRIDAY 8 TH DECEMBER - 2PM	WEDNESDAY 6 TH DECEMBER - 2PM FRIDAY 8 TH DECEMBER - 10AM
1KB/EG	1JM	1SP
2CT	2AB	25 <i>C</i>
3NW/MS	3SP	3ES
4AG	4JR	4CB
5ST	5CN	5AC
6EA	6AD	6JF





Dates for your diary

	Date	Time
Individual Photographs	7 th November	All Day
Year 5 Maritime Museum	8 th November	All Day
Jumble Sale	11 th November	13.00-16.00
Parents/Carers' Evening	15 th November	16.00-20.00
	16 th November	16.00-18.00
School Governors Ouiz Night	will be collecting your views of 17 th November	19.00
Christmas Fair	2 nd December	14.00-17.00
	5 th December	14.00-17.00
Reception visit to Snow White on ice	5 December	
Year 1 Cinderella Pantomime	5 th December	
Christmas Show	6 th , 7 th , 8 th December	
Carols for Shelter at Bounds Green	12 th December	15.30
Infant Choir Concert	15 th December	15.00
Christmas Lunch	13 th December	From 11.45
School Council trip to Houses of	20 th December	
Parliament		
Christmas Carol Concert	20 th December	19.00
End of Autumn Term	21 st December	13.30
INSET	3 rd January	All Day

Don't forget to all add dates to your family calendars.

4th January

Keeping Safe

Pupils return to school

Drivers please note, you will be seeing an increased presence of traffic patrol officers at the start over the next few months. Could **all drivers** please consider our local community members and the safety of Rhodes Avenue children by **not** double parking, stopping on the yellow zig zag lines, blocking or parking in front of driveways! The school values the local community and we kindly ask that you respectfully follow the parking restrictions in place.

Thank you once again to all considerate drivers who have shown their continued support.

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Adrian Hall Headteacher

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