

# Randwick Primary School: Resilience, Passion, Success





# **NEWSLETTER**

# 14 December 2018

### **Working Party**

A huge thank you to the parents and children who were able to join Mrs Kemp and I in school last Saturday. We were able to reduce a cherry tree near the chicken coop, make paths for Forest School sessions, clear the pond and replace the



small shed roof. Everyone worked very hard to improve our wonderful outdoor space for our children and already the fruits of our labours have borne fruit!

#### **Forest School Trail**

You will notice that there are now paths going into the upper bank area but that they are roped off. These paths are for use <u>only</u> during Forest School sessions and we politely request that if you are on site after school you make sure your children do not go above the top path. Thank you.

#### Lights, Camel, Action!

Our youngest children put on an amazing show this week in the church to packed audiences on both days. They worked hard to learn their parts and it was wonderful to see them performing so confidently on stage. Thanks to Val, Liz and our y6 children who served tea and cake on Tuesday, to Mr and Mrs Stanley, to staff for their efforts in bringing the show together and especially Mrs Donaldson, who directed the whole thing. Mr Poad



#### **Panto**

This afternoon we were treated to a wonderful panto at the village hall complete with some aspiring actors (e.g. 21 of our children!). Everyone loved it and this wouldn't have happened without PFORs fundraising so thanks to everyone for this!

#### **Christmas Fayre**

More thanks to PFORs for organising the fayre, a huge effort at this busy time, and to the staff and children for their efforts with the Randwick Runway



Open House at the fayre and to everyone who came and spent money! Everything now goes towards our construction work so that we can move to four classes next September. The final amount is still TBC however early figures show that we have raised at least £1600!

## Last week - what's happening

On Tuesday Owl go to the Bristol Aquarium for the day, please do sign up at ParentPay if you haven't done so. On Thursday it's our Christmas lunch and party and on Friday, our end of term worship in the church. We finish normal time on this last day of term.

#### **Volunteering Opportunities**

We are very keen to recruit volunteers for our Kestrel class on a Wednesday morning from 09:30 to hear children read and to help children with their writing. We also need volunteers in Owl class for either 10 minutes at the beginning or end of the day to hear readers: it really makes a big difference to children becoming fluent and enthusiastic readers. Please let the office or Mr Poad know if you can help. Many thanks.

## **Lost Property**

Koa is missing 2 school jumpers, size 9-10, which both have his name on the label. Please could you double check that you don't accidently have them at home. Thanks

# **Class news**

#### **Owl**

We've been busy with the nativity and in year one continuing with solving subtraction problems in maths. We are preparing for our trip to the aquarium by learning about animal classification.





### **Kestrel**

What a fantastic week it has been! At forest school, we continued to work on our bug hotel. We looked at the orientation of the bug hotel to work out which side will be best for pollinators (sun seeking critters) and which side would be more suited to creatures that love the dark and damp. We also made some more rooms for the bugs by hollowing elder. Some of us planted the final few bulbs on the bank, ready for spring next year. Fingers crossed we will have a beautiful buzzing bank come April. We have also enjoyed art, creating Van Gogh style oil pastel pictures of a vase of flowers.



# **Sparrowhawks**

This week was absolutely fantastic. It started with an amazing visit to the Cotswold Wildlife Park. The children got to see adaptation and evolution in action looking at species from all over the world and what makes them special. We have planned and started to write stories involving animals involving a mysterious cottage in the woods! Lots of Christmas fun was had at the Christmas Fayre, well done to all the Randwick Runway groups!





# **WEEKLY AWARDS**





#### **HEADTEACHER'S AWARD**

The whole of Year 4,5,6 for their behaviour at Cotswold Wildlife Park – they were a credit to the school.



**Elsie** for her enthusiasm in supporting other children when doing 'Harry Potter' maths.



**Stirling** for being a thoughtful and caring member of our class and also for his 'stirling' effort to make paths!



**Owl class** for the Nativity.



**Ben** for persevering with converting units of measure.



**Poppy and Clara** for giving up their time to help with the Christmas Fayre.



Martha for being very thoughtful.



**Feranmi** for helping to keep our classroom clean and tidy.



Kestrel class for the Nativity.

# Randwick's Famous Children's Tea Towel



Not sure what to get Gran?

Want to keep a piece of Randwick?

Fancy doing the dishes in style?

For only £5 you can keep this amazing 100% cotton

tea towel with an image of every child in the school.

Individually wrapped, these make amazing presents for the entire family.

You can get yours by sending an envelope with £5 to the office with a note saying how many you would like or on a Friday after school.

We only have a limited number so don't delay; get yours today!

# **DATES FOR THE YEAR**

Date	Event	Who
18 Dec	Owl class trip to Bristol Aquarium	Owl class
20 Dec	Xmas lunch and party	All
8 Jan	Victorian classroom visit	Kestrel
11 Jan	L2 Gymnastics Competition	Selected team of Y3/4
	Stratford Park Leisure Centre 9.10 – 12.15pm	
24 Jan	Morfa Bay meeting 6-7pm	Y5/6
30 Jan	Woodland day	All
5 Feb	School Nurse visit	YR/YR6
20 Feb	Woodland day	All
25 Feb	X country	Y5/6
26 Feb	X country	Y3 /4
26 & 27 Feb	Parents eve term 3	All
27 Mar	Woodland day	All
5 Apr	Easter service and egg hunt	All
24 Apr	Woodland day	All
30 Apr	Country Dance Festival	Y2 - 4
	Stratford Park Leisure Centre	
w/c 13 May	Ks2 SATS	Ks2
w/c 20 May	Sports week	All
22 May	Woodland day	All
24 May or 12 Jul	Sports day	All
17 – 21 Jun	Morfa Bay Residential	Y5/6
19 Jun	Woodland day	All
25 Jun	Ks2 district athletics	Ks2
9 and 10 Jul	Production	All
w/c 15 Jul	Bikeability	Y6
17 Jul	Teddy Bear's Picnic	All
17 Jul	Woodland day	All
18 Jul	Y6 leavers assembly	