



Randwick Primary School: Resilience, Passion, Success



NEWSLETTER

22 March 2019

Car Parking

An important reminder to **please** park either on the top road, Church Road, or in the car park by the village hall. Parking on The Lane creates difficulties for local residents who don't have allocated parking and we hope you can be mindful of this when finding a space. Parking outside of school on either the white lines (marked 'KEEP CLEAR' or the yellow lines is **dangerous** (hence the lines on the road) – please do not park/'wait' here to pick up your child. Thank you.

Information sharing with parents

We currently share information with parents via the newsletter, letters, emails and when necessary – texts. As the texts cost over £3 per text we prefer to use this method only when we need to convey a message about a last minute change or reminders for larger events/trips. Please do help us by using the newsletter and the online calendar (on the website) to keep up to date with ongoing weekly events. Many thanks

Pound Farm

Huge thanks to Rebecca, her husband Rich and our very own Luke who kindly hosted Owl class on Monday and organised a whole host of activities, including a look around the farm and some planting. All children left with plants and a big smile!

Wildlife Quiz

We were delighted to host our friends from Christchurch Chalford C of E Primary School yesterday. Four children from both schools pitted their wits on the subject of British flora and fauna with some challenging questions to answer and plants to identify. Our team was 'coached' by Carrie, our Forest School leader, and our huge thanks go to her for helping them to do so well. Our four team members – Martha, Obi, Innes and Sam – have spent numerous lunchtimes swatting up on nature and we've all been impressed by the resilience and passion. Well done to everyone!

Pond Danger

A gentle reminder to everyone that the pond is of course out of bounds outside of school and indeed dangerous as the water is surprisingly deep. It's a fragile habitat and we take care not to disturb too much. Thank you.

Clubs news

Please note that next week is the last week of clubs!
Footy club: Apologies for last minute cancellation this week – my son injured himself and I had to take him to be checked out, thankfully no broken bones! Next week football club is on Thursday as I have training on the Tuesday all day. Mr Poad

Eggs, Chicks and Chickens

At this time of year in the Christian calendar, it seems fitting to be nurturing 15 eggs in an incubator, which are due to hatch next week! Children are listening out for the tell tale squeaks! Yesterday, Rebecca Charley, local farmer and former parent, came to school to talk to the children about the process. Our thanks to her. The chicks will hopefully make it to become our Randwick School chickens.

Owls have taken home invitations they had written for their parents inviting them into Owls class on Tuesday at 2:40 to read their moon stories & see the chicks.

Lunchtime Supervisor

From September we will be looking for an adult to support our lunchtime supervision team from 1230 – 1400. The first hour will be spent outside and the last thirty minutes cleaning the hall. If you are interested in this paid position, please do contact the office: admin@randwick.gloucs.sch.uk or 01453 762773. Thank you.

Woodland Day

All children will be taking part in Forest School activities next Wednesday so please can they come to school in suitable clothes which you are happy for them to get dirty. Thanks.

Demolish the wall!

On reflection, we thought it best to employ some skilled builders to actually demolish the wall at height, BUT we would love help to remove the broken wall on **MONDAY 22nd JULY (not SATURDAY 20th JULY as previously advertised)**. Please do come and help if you can. Mr Poad will be there and promises refreshments!

Reuben

Those of you who remember one of our former pupils, now in y7 at Deer Park, will be delighted to hear that he has been selected to run the 2k at the British Schools National Cross Country Championships on Saturday at Loughborough. This is an extraordinary achievement and we are all very proud of him. We wish him the very best of luck!

Ruscombe Chapel

I am appealing for children to come and join me at the opening of the Ruscombe Chapel on Wednesday 24th April at 5pm. Brenda, one of the organisers, has sent me an email and I quote from it: 'We are thrilled the children will be helping us to celebrate in the chapel as it is a very long time since children were included in anything at Ruscombe Chapel and being as it has the old school room next door (now just a hall) we, the new caretakers, are eager to have children included in our plans for the chapel and school room,'

Please support this local community venture: email me direct (head@randwick.gloucs.sch.uk) to let me know that your child can come. I will meet them there. I suspect this will be an hour tops but can give you more details nearer the time. Many thanks.

RANDWICK CHURCH **Come and enjoy** **MOTHERING SUNDAY** **Family Activity Service**



11am 31st March 2019
Make your own posies & cards

Class news

Owl

Our week in Owls started with a very exciting trip to Pound Farm. We were lucky enough to bottle feed the lambs, find out the cows' favourite treat, groom the horses and show our green fingers by planting some great spring plants to take home and grow.

Owl class would like to say a huge thank you to all of Luke's family for such a wonderful experience and for sharing their expert knowledge with us. Once back at school Owls have had a busy week finding out how the chicks are developing inside the eggs, watching their caterpillars grow and starting their new class story, "Mrs Armitage on Wheels".



Kestrel

Building on what we have learnt so far, we discussed ways in which Christians celebrate the events of Holy Week (such as Palm Sunday Processions, Hot Cross buns and Easter eggs). Isambard Kingdom Brunel was the inspiration for our design lesson on Thursday. We became architects for the afternoon and designed our own bridges. Next week we will be making our bridges and will test their structural integrity using a toy car.

If you have any materials at home which would be good for bridge building, please can you bring it in for our class to use.



Sparrowhawks

The Roman myths are some of the greatest adventure stories and this week we have been mimicking their style and creating our own. Ever wondered how the bee got its sting, the elephant got its trunk or the camel got its hump? The myths this week have been amazing to read and I know you'll enjoy reading them too. In Science, we have been investigating light, how it travels and reflects including the strange properties of incidence and reflection rays - which we will use to build our own periscope!

Attendance last week

Owl class had the best attendance last week with **96.1%** (our whole school target is 97%). Well done to Owl class!



WEEKLY AWARDS



Phaedra for her fantastic story writing in English.



Owls for super ideas and writing of thankfulness prayers.



Stirling for maintaining focus when doing his work.



Clara for great shape work, identifying properties of triangles and quadrilaterals.



Sam, Martha, Innes and Obi for representing the school at the Wildlife Quiz.



George E for excellent effort with writing.



Oscar E for persevering with his writing.



Freddy T for following an important school rule.



Maja for revisiting her work in Maths to deepen her understanding.



Luke for super improvement in presentation and handwriting in English.



Phoebe for persevering during forest school on one activity the whole time.

DATES FOR THE YEAR

Date	Event	Who
26 Mar	Swimming	Owl
27 Mar	Woodland day	All
29 Mar	Easter Disco 5:30-6:45pm	All
30 Mar	Working Party at school 9 - 1pm	All
2 Apr	Swimming	Owl
5 Apr	Easter service and egg hunt	All
8 – 22 Apr	Easter Holidays	All
23 Apr	Inset day	All
24 Apr	Woodland day	All
24 Apr	Easter Concert at Ruscombe Chapel at 5pm	All
25 Apr	Country Dance Festival Stratford Park Leisure Centre	Y2 - 4
26 Apr	Randwick Runway Open House	All
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
27 - 31 May	Half term	All
17 - 21 Jun	Morfa Bay Residential	Y5/6
19 Jun	Woodland day	All
25 Jun	KS2 district athletics track	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	All
19 Jul	Last day of school	All
22 Jul	Help removing the broken wall	All
22 and 23 Jul	Inset day	All