



Randwick Primary School: Resilience, Passion, Success



NEWSLETTER

13 November 2020

School Dog

On Monday I will be sharing news about a school dog with the children. The School Council have been asking me for many months and I believe he will have a positive influence on many of our children. After Christmas I will have a puppy with me, a sprocker (a cross between a working cocker spaniel and a springer spaniel, a very child friendly breed). The puppy will stay in my office for most of the time or be outside with me or other staff. He will not go into classrooms or into the main body of the school. When he is old enough he will be trained as a therapy dog. The idea would be for children to read to him outside my office and spend time with him if they are feeling stressed/anxious. I will complete a risk assessment before he arrives and seek permission from parents before any child is able to stroke him.

Data Collection Sheet

Suzy and Lise have spent time this week collating all the information we hold on your children and have sent this to you with an explanation on School Spider. It is really important we are holding the correct information for you and your child. This includes all contact details and medical, allergy and /or dietary requirements. Please mark any changes on the sheet and return to the school office and we will update our records accordingly. We would ask that do not email changes as we require a paper version for the children's personal files. If there is anything else you think we should know about please also make a note on the form and return to us. Thank you all for your help in making sure we have the most up to date information on record.

Lockdown Changes

We are very sorry that we have had to cancel clubs, but we are following advice from our authority and the government. We very much hope to continue these when we come out of lockdown 2 so will let you know when we are given the go ahead to do so. We have reduced visitors during this time and tightened up on our visitor protocol. Please help us keep safe by ensuring you bring your children to school on time (one parent or carer only please) and leave the school site (including the playground) immediately on collecting your children. Many thanks, Mr Poad

Library

We are continuing with our library sessions because we believe it's an important part of school life. For now, we are able to offer sessions on a Monday afternoon for Owls and Buzzards and a Thursday afternoon for Kestrels and Sparrowhawks. Our huge thanks to the volunteers who enable this to happen. It's a great asset to our school.

Cross-Country

Today, our children in Buzzard, Kestrel and Sparrowhawk classes competed in a cross-country race organised by our friends at Atlas Sports. Jay Leman, our Atlas Sports Coach, and his colleague, set up a course for the children and everyone worked hard to complete it, showing resilience, passion and ultimately, success! Well done everyone!

Updated guidance for parents and carers

The DfE have updated their guidance for parents and carers on [what they need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) outbreak](#). This update provides information on the national restrictions that came into force on 5 November, the latest advice for clinically extremely vulnerable children and young people and advice on the use of face coverings in education settings.

Knowledge Organisers

Your child will have brought have their knowledge organisers for this term' topic, either geography, history or computing (Buzzards had theirs in their book bags yesterday). They are on the website too. Please help them to learn the information on these, especially the vocabulary listed, it will help them in class. Many thanks.

PFORS AGM

The PFORS AGM will be held on 17th Nov at 8pm via zoom. Please see the email sent out earlier today for the zoom meeting details.

PFORS fundraising

Dear Parents, as you are aware Covid has affected our ability to fundraise this year which is why we are pleased to be working in conjunction with a local business Dixie Dot Crafts. Dixie Dot is based in Quedgeley and offers a wide range of gifts and lovely things, from personalised pottery painted items to bath bombs to craft kits. For every order that is placed through the website (www.dixiedotcrafts.com) between now and 31st December 2020, 10% will be donated back to our school to kick start the fundraising into 2021. Our Unique code is RAND2020. Please do share this with all your family and friends so they can purchase Christmas gifts and craft projects through Dixie Dot while helping our school. Thank you in advance for your support!



This week

Year 1 apple pressing



Worship outside on Fridays



WEEKLY AWARDS



Spencer for sticking at it to produce a fantastic Remembrance Day picture.



Tyler for being a super help in the playground.



Bonnie for her wonderful imagination in the making area and showing such kindness towards her friends.



Noah for working very hard in his topic work!



Harrison for settling in to Randwick so well it's like you've always been here.



Leia for showing great attention to detail within guided reading.



Cordelia for always having a super attitude towards learning.



Seb for working on expanding his answers in guided reading to make them clear and concise.



Florence L for persevering in her English.



Sparrowhawk class for enthusiastic perseverance to solve tricky mathematical problems.



Leo D for super enthusiasm.