



Randwick Primary School: Resilience, Passion, Success



NEWSLETTER

4 December 2020

Pantomime

We'd like the children to 'see' a pantomime as usual and so have arranged for them to watch the Barn Theatre production of Peter Pan in their classrooms on 16th December at 1.30pm.

PFORs are subsidising this but we are asking all parents to pay a voluntary contribution of £2 per child on Parentpay. We can't afford to cover the cost as money is very tight right now, so please help us by paying as soon as possible. Thank you.



School Dinners

On Tuesday 15th December, all children who normally have a school dinner will need a packed lunch. Our cook Kate is unavoidably out for the morning. We will remind you the day before too via School Spider. Many thanks.

Lanterns

We have been given a lantern making kit for every child, paid for by Stroud District Council. Many of you will remember that we made lanterns in school last year and paraded them around the town just before Christmas.

Each pack contains instructions, willow, tissue and coloured tissue. The only other materials needed are masking tape and PVA glue. You can share your photos on social media via the Stroud Goodwill facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/StroudGoodwillEvening> and using the hashtags #stroudgoodwill2020 and #lightupthevalleys!

Also there is a plan to 'light up the valleys' on Thursday 10th December at 6pm – Everyone can stand outside their front doors with their finished lanterns and clap and make noise to celebrate our Stroud community! You can also send your photos to stroudlanternfestival@gmail.com. Good luck and happy making!

Fundraising for School

I've nominated PFORS for Ecclesiastical Insurance's 12 days of giving. There is the chance of school getting £1,000 but the more nominations we get the more chance of winning it. Follow the link and search for 'Parents and Friends of Randwick school'. Thank you.
<https://www.movementforgood.com/12days/#nominateACharity>

Mrs Alison Inwood, Chair of Governors



Breakfast Club

It is vital that you book your child in by Friday of the week before. Numbers are rising since we came out of lockdown and we can only take a certain number because of social distancing in the hall.

Clubs

We are running clubs for next week only: football on Monday, art on Tuesday and book club on Thursday, all from 1515 to 1615. Carrie's Forest School club runs next week and the week after.

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You should have received your raffle tickets, which were sent home with the children yesterday. The return date for the tickets and money is Friday 11th Dec and the draw will take place on Monday 14th. Any donations would be gratefully received. Please send these, as well as the tickets and money in with your children.

A reminder that we are also running a Christmas Market on Facebook, which can be found by searching for Randwick Christmas Market. We have lots of small independent sellers, more are always welcome. Please come online and have a look and support your school and these wonderful small businesses. Many thanks
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Animation Film Festival

Two children, Jay and Billy, have made an animation over lockdown and we have shared this with all the children.

You can watch it yourself here:
<https://vimeo.com/486962413>

Chris, dad and helper, has kindly provided some instructions below if you're interested in making a film too. If you do, please ping to Mr Poad. We hope also to put these on our website and create a virtual Randwick School Animation Film Festival! Thanks Chris, Billy and Jay!

To create basic animated films you require an iPad or other tablet to download 'I Can Animate' (or an equivalent). It's free but if you pay a few pounds you can get rid of the adverts and store a larger number of animations. Then you need to line a large cardboard box with white paper and find a bright lamp that you can shine into it. That makes your studio. The more constant and even the light source, the smoother the animation created. If you animate using daylight you will get poor results because the light will change too frequently while you're capturing your images, creating a strobing effect.

You will also need a stand for your tablet/iPad. It should be stable enough that your child can tap a 'record' button on the screen without moving the tablet. If the tablet and stand move too much the animation will become jerky. Billy and Jay made their stand out of Lego bricks but you can also buy them on-line.

Your kids can start off animating pencils, toy cars, fruit etc, or you can get a bit more adventurous and use Lego figures or drawings. The process does require some patience because it takes 10 'frames' of animation to create a second of filmed picture. The completed animations can be exported into the tablet's photo library and then shared with others via email/social media as you would a photo.

If you want to add sound to your animations then you'll need to import them into some editing software. iMovie is free to download on Apple products and there's a bunch of free editing software available for PC's too. Billy and Jay used iMovie to add sound to their animation. Within it there is a basic library of sound effects which can help bring the animation to life. You can also download a world of sound effects from freesound.org.

This week



Kestrel class used a range of geographical skills to create sketch maps of the school grounds.



This week **Owls and Buzzards** were learning about Christingle. Thanks to Spencer's mum persuading Sainsbury's to very kindly provide the items we needed, all the infants were able to make their own Christingles. Year 2 were particularly good at explaining what each part of the Christingle stood for and great fun was had by all.



WEEKLY AWARDS



Jayne for being passionate about learning how to tie knots for her Christmas star.



Spencer for amazing sounding out of his phonics in his reading.



Flora for thoughtful answers about what Christmas means to Christians.



Evie-May for perseverance and progress in Maths.



Feranmi for perseverance with hockey skills.



Zosia for always trying her best in all that she does and having a really positive attitude.



Matila W for showing incredible perseverance with her reading.



Rupert for persevering with his handwriting and making huge improvements.



Miri for great progress in maths.



Ravi for his explanation in Science.



Bea for her positive growth mindset.