

Welcome to the RGS Weekly Newsletter, 30 April 2017.

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RGS Outside Fun

Over the holidays a number of improvements were made to the outside area at RGSGQ. A new soft surface was installed in the play area and artificial grass was also laid under the trees.

Last week students enjoyed running and riding bikes on the new playground and sitting on the grass under the large trees. Fences have also been fitted outside each of the Early Years classrooms so that students in these year groups can enjoy indoor and outdoor learning activities throughout the day in a secure environment.

Dates for the Diary

Meetings

Throughout this week parents of Early Years students will be invited into school to meet with their child's class teacher. These meetings provide an opportunity for parents to meet with their child's teacher and discuss progress made towards curriculum objectives.



It's a Jungle in there!

I walked into Nursery last week to find the students had been busy painting, printing and collaging to transform their classroom into a jungle! The students have been reading the story 'Rumble in the Jungle' and enjoying the fun rhymes about all the different animals. Throughout the week they found out about animals that live in jungle habitats and their characteristics.

Thursday 30th March: Year 1 Class Assembly

Parents of Year 1 students are invited to join us to watch the Year 1 class assembly performed by students in this year group. For further information, please contact Mrs Stuart.

Thursday 30th March: Term 3 ECAs announced

The schedule for Term 3 ECAs will be sent home to parents on this day. During Term 3 ECAs will be open to all students from Nursery to Year 2 in order to support our youngest students with their transition to Reception next academic year.

Thursday 30th March: Key Stage 1 End of Term Reports sent home

Parents of students in Year 1 and 2 will receive their end of term report for Term 2 on this day. If parents wish to schedule a meeting with their class teacher for the following week then they will be invited to do so.

Sunday 2nd April: Term 3 ECA Sign Up

Parents will be able to sign their students up for Term 3 ECAs from this date.



Fairytales

Year 1 kick-started their Fairytales topic last week by focusing on the story Little Red Riding Hood. The students received a mystery box at the start of the week which had clues from a fairytale character including big teeth, big eyes, a basket and a red cape.

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Thursday 6th April: Last Day of Term 2

School will close at 12 o'clock on this day as we finish for the holidays.



acted out the story and evaluated each other's performances. This week they will be using their imagination to make alterations to the story and create their own.



Delicious Igloos

Year 2 are learning about Houses and Homes this term and started by discussing houses from around the world. They looked at the houses in different countries and talked about why houses are built with different features. On Thursday they worked together to build some igloos . . . made out of marshmallows. Delicious!



House News

With one term left of the current academic year, the race for the House Trophy is getting very exciting. The current points totals are below:

Nettles – 476 points

Powell – 427 points

Hamad – 403 points

Beckingham – 358 points

Austen – 348 points

Valpy – 344 points

In assembly on Thursday we discussed one of our RGS Superheros; the 'Link and Learn Hero.' He is an excellent team player and so the students worked together in their House Teams to complete a series of activities together. It was wonderful to see older students supporting those in Nursery and Reception as the teams built towers, drew pictures, played basketball and did a number of other activities.

I am looking forward to seeing who is crowned House Champions at the end of the school year.

Weekly Awards

RGS Superstars



Each week the RGS Superstar certificates are awarded to students from each class who have excelled in an area of school life during the week. Students will receive these awards for excellent behaviour, effort or attainment in the classroom, or for demonstrating one of the RGS Learning Habits.

Last week the following students received one of these special awards:

Nursery: Saleh

Reception: Abdulla and Basheera

Year 1: Tameem



Class of the Week

Maintaining high levels of attendance and punctuality at school are essential for students to ensure they maximise their learning time in school and reach their full potential; academically, socially and emotionally.

2 shared the trophy for on time arrival. Thank you very much for ensuring your children arrive at school on time each day.



Top Table

To promote good table manners, students who demonstrate excellent behaviour, eating habits and manners during snack time and lunch time throughout the week are invited to eat lunch on the 'Top Table' at the end of the week. Last week Mrs Stuart enjoyed eating lunch on Thursday with Saleh (Nursery), Wali (Reception), Fatma (Year 1), and Mahmoud (Year 2).



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