



Randwick Primary School: Resilience, Passion, Success



NEWSLETTER

25th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following my previous message on the newsletter informing you that Mr Hinkley was unwell, I'm now writing to let you know that unfortunately he is still not well enough to return to school before the end of this term. We wish him well and hope he feels better soon however I know that parents will be concerned around the leadership of the school during this period.

Up until this point, Mr Hodgkinson and Mrs Donaldson have been doing a fantastic job of managing the day to day running of the school and this will continue. They have both agreed to 'step up' and lead the school, sharing responsibilities between them. Mrs Donaldson has also agreed to be in school full time up until the end of term.

The school is part of a local hub of schools where expertise is shared, and joint working already happens. This allows for a wealth of support and knowledge from other Heads and schools local to Randwick. We have also increased our support from the School Improvement Partner, Huw Evans, who is also able to offer advice and support where needed.

As you know, the intention was always to re-advertise this year for a new, substantive Headteacher for Randwick and this advert will go live again at the end of this term.

The year 5/6 teaching position is currently being advertised on the GCC website with a view to recruiting a full time, permanent teacher to start after the Easter break. This is the earliest opportunity we can hope to employ an established teacher due to the rules surrounding notice periods, although candidates who are not currently in a teaching position may be able to start sooner. We are committed to having a qualified teacher with the class at all times and we will employ a temporary class teacher via an agency from January until April.

The teaching assistant post for Buzzards has also been advertised and will be re-advertised again shortly. We have been lucky enough that Mrs Smith has been able to stay for longer than originally planned and for the 3 last weeks of term, Mrs Chastney's daughter will be coming in to support Miss Aldous.

The Governors would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff at the school, who have been working tirelessly to ensure smooth running of the school and stability for the children.

We'd also like to thank you the parents, for your patience and understanding and we are hoping to arrange an opportunity where Governors will be available to listen and answer any questions in the coming weeks.

Best wishes,

The Governing Board
Rachel O'Neill
Chair of Governors

Diary Dates

Please ensure meal bookings for week commencing 5th December are booked by midnight on the 29th November.

Please see next week's bulletin below

Lanterns – Stroud Goodwill Parade

Kestrels and Buzzards took part in a lantern making workshop ready for the Stroud Goodwill parade. The children will be bringing their lanterns home next week. If you wish to take part in the parade please come along to the Sub Rooms at 6pm on Friday 2nd December.

Christmas Dinner Day

8th December

Please book your child's Christmas Dinner through Parentpay by Tuesday 29th November

Christmas Menu

Roast chicken with pigs in blankets stuffing and seasonal veg

Corn fillet with seasonal veg

Gingerbread Man

Owls and Buzzards Christmas Nativity

The Christmas Nativity will take place on Tuesday 6th December at 9.30am and then an evening performance at 6pm (**please note the change in time from 6.30pm to 6pm**)

Please do come along and see the wonderful performance.

Tickets not necessary

WEEKLY BULLETIN

| | EVENT | AFTER SCHOOL |
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| Monday 28 th November | | |
| Tuesday 29 th November | | <p>Cross Country Club</p> <p>Please book school lunches for week commencing 5th December by midnight Tuesday 29th November</p> <p>Please also remember to book your child's Christmas dinner on the 8th December by midnight 29th November</p> |
| Wednesday 30 th November | <p>Forest School Owls/ Y5 am Y1 pm</p> <p>please ensure you child wears appropriate clothing. Long sleeved tops and trousers/leggings with old trainers or wellingtons</p> | <p>Gardening Club</p> <p>Singing Club</p> <p>Computing Club</p> <p>Forest School After School Club Starts</p> <p>Pre booked sessions – please book directly https://bookwhen.com/allseasonsforestschool/</p> |
| Thursday 1 st December | | |
| Friday 2 nd December | <p>PE sessions for Buzzards, Kestrels and Hawks</p> <p>Please can the children wear PE kit to school</p> | |

OTHER NEWS

PFoRS

For this year's Christmas raffle we already have some great prizes. In addition we would like to make up a hamper per year group. It would be great if you could donate with anything from a packet of biscuits to soaps or wine. Please pass on your donations to the following, who will collect them together to arrange a lovely hamper.

Owls – Hannah

Y1 – Jordan

Y2 – Helen

Y3 – Jana

Y4 – Kelly

Y5 – Mel

Y6 – Laura

Many thanks for your support.

PFoRS



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

You should have received Christmas Raffle tickets to sell ready for the draw at the Christmas Fayre. If you have not already, can you please return your tickets, sold or unsold to the school office. We have loads of great raffle prizes to be won!



CONGRATULATIONS!
This voucher entitles you to one, completely free of charge, 1h massage treatment with Roz from Après Ki massage, based in Randwick
This is valid until June 2023
See more details at meribelmassage.co.uk
Contact Roz on 07971 046631

PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMA IN ADVANCED CLINICAL AND SPORTS MASSAGE (2ND LEVEL)

JING ADVANCED CLINICAL MASSAGE THERAPIST
ADVANCED CLINICAL MASSAGE TRAINED

Forest School

Here the y5 children are cooking stinging nettle crisps. They worked together to collect the tips and process them with our volunteer.



Y1 Forest School.

The children have been following their own interests - making their own fairies and building fairy houses, creatively using natural resources and a range of tools responsibly. Each week we consider seasonal change; recently they have been searching for nuts and seeds, finding ways to crack open Hazel nuts to see what's inside, finding Hazel nuts in interesting places and wondering how they got there (was it a thrush that wedged it in the tree?) and making conker soap!





WEEKLY AWARDS



Isaac – for control, strength and agility in gymnastics



Poppy May – for persevering and so mastering a 'squat-on' to the box in gymnastics



Jay – for mastering a catspring from the box when vaulting



Sam – for mastering a catspring from the box when vaulting



Bonnie – for knowing when to enter the stage during the nativity and being a fabulous leader and role model



Ezra – for persevering and succeeding in making a wonderful start lantern



Esme – for fantastic concentration and perseverance in Maths



Joe – for applying news kills to his English story



Amelia – for working so hard to write her letters in the right way



Elsie – for her fabulous effort in drawing club



Joe – for applying news kills to his English story



Sebastian –for fabulous handwriting



Bea –for fabulous handwriting



Heather - for working so hard to improve her hand writing.