#### Friday 25th March 2022

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This week saw the beginning of our year group showcases. Thank you to all the parents who have come along so far- we do hope that you have enjoyed watching your children share their learning. For us as a school, it is important that all children feel celebrated in their achievements and also develop the confidence to take pride



in this and try their hand at presenting if they feel comfortable. This links with our Inspire Oracy Framework which is there to develop children's skills in this key area. Through this framework and their lessons each week, children think about their oracy skills under different strands such as the physical, linguistic and cognitive.

This week, Year 2 have shown great creativity in English whilst writing their alternative ending to the story of Starbird. The children used their knowledge of habitats to create

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an imaginary place where this magical creature might like to live. David wrote, 'When the Moon King released Starbird, he spread his beautiful wings and flew to a magnificent forest.' The children are eager to get started with

their publishing. In maths, Year 2 have been measuring the length and height of objects and they loved going outside to measure the length of the planters. Finally, some children from Year 2 and Year 1 took part in a football tournament and were delighted to win the competition where many other schools took part! Albi T, Karmun, Emily, Sophia and Jawad were smiling from ear-to-ear when they came to school! They have made us very proud and we can't wait until the next competition!

This week, Year 5 have been excited to share their learning with their family and friends. River introduced their assembly by telling the adults that they would be taken through a Whizzing Windrush timeline. All of the children participated in playing the role of a key event in time, reading out their work or sharing their





art. It was great to hear all of the history and geography they had learned about the Windrush generation and the Caribbean during this half term and how it linked to their core text in English- The Windrush Child by Benjamin Zephaniah. Lily, Olivia, Isaac, Lex, Tyrece and Eniola shared how they empathised with the main character, Leonard, when reading out their monologues. Lily was very nervous at first, but is so proud of her work and glad she got to read it out to her mum. Also, Bonnie showed her effort and

growth mindset by taking on a speaking role even though she didn't feel confident initially. Well done Year 5.

This week, the children in Reception have been enjoying learning new songs making different actions to go with the songs for our spring concert.

The children got into groups and came up with a variety of actions, which they then shared to their peers. The children then voted on which action they preferred for each part of the song.





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Reception have also really enjoyed creating some creative pieces for our art published outcomes. We began by exploring different shapes and patterns that can be found on bees and their hives. The children then devel-

oped onto mixing colours to find the right shade for piece of work. Henry said 'Inside the bee hive looks like a hexagon shape'. Samuel said 'I think I will use black and yellow stripes to make my bee'. Reuben said 'I will mix some gold with my yellow to find the shade I need'.

Valentina said 'When I mix the colours together it changes every time'.

A sad farewell to Miss Browne

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It is with sadness but also with pride that we say goodbye to Miss Browne next Friday. Miss Browne has been part of the Rockliffe Manor family and our school office for 7 years now, and is leaving us to take on an exciting, challenging new role as SAO at another primary school. Miss Browne will be greatly missed and has been a source of support for staff, parents and children alike, especially during the pandemic. Her commitment and hard work for the community has been so appreciated over the years, and she has been an integral part of the school ensuring that it runs so smoothly. I hope that you'll join us in wishing her all the very best for the future.

Have a wonderful weekend and we will see you all on Monday.

Mrs Vdovin and the whole Rockliffe Manor team

Last Friday for Red Nose Day we raised £184.85. Thank you to all the children, parents and staff that participated and donated.



#### Gordon Brown Centre Residential Trip 2022

Please may we remind all **Year 5 and 6** families to keep paying into your monthly instalment plan on ParentPay for the Residential Trips taking place in 2022. If you would like to discuss your child's place, please contact the School Office. If you require any financial support we have teamed up with the Tony Trust, if you require any further information please contact the School.

You can find more information on the Gordon Brown Centre by visiting their website







Attendance This Week		
92.0%		
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### **Merits**

Reception	Kamila
Year 1	Holly
Year 2	All
Year 3	Aariz
Year 4	Jess
Year 5	Lily
Year 6	Sariah

Please note, Rockliffe Manor Primary School will additionally be closed this year on **Thursday 5th May 2022** for the Local Elections



Award

#### Happy Birthday to: \*until 1st April 2022

Olivia	Year 5
Shaheer	Year 5
Daisy	Year 4
Freddie	Reception
Jasmine	Year 3



#### Dates for your diary

- Monday 28th March—Deadline for Design an Easter Egg
- Monday 28th March to Friday 22nd April Sunflower seeds on sale.
- Wednesday 30th March 2022 Year 1 Sharing Assembly
- Wednesday 30th March 2022 11:30am—Nursery Spring Sing -Along
- Wednesday 30th March 2pm Spring Concert
- Thursday 31st March 2022 Year 4 Sharing Assembly
- Thursday 31st March 2.30 Spring Concert
- Friday 1st April—Year 4 Trip Hornimans Museum
- Friday 1st April—Year 3 Sharing Assembly
- Friday 1st April Easter Egg Hunt—Rockliffe Gardens
- Monday 4th April— Monday 18th April 2022 School closed for Easter Holidays
- Thursday 5th May 2022—School Closed to children for Polling Day—Year 6 Children to attend school



#### Looking for some fun ways to extend the school day?

We have lots of spaces available in our afterschool clubs starting in the Spring 2 term week commencing 21st February.

Head over to your <u>ParentPay</u> account to sign up for clubs such as Irish Dancing, Arts and Crafts, Gymnastics and Yoga and breathe to name a few.

If you are already signed up for this term, you do not need to reapply, this is for new children wishing to sign up.



### **RBG 500 Words Competition**

In celebration of World Book Day on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, RBG are inviting all students from Greenwich borough schools to enter our 500 word short story competition.

2022 is the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of World Book Day, so the theme for their story competition is:

#### celebration.

You can write any short story you like inspired by the theme of celebration. It needs to be 500 words or under. Please type your entries, if possible.

There will be a winner and runner up for each key stage I and 2 (and beyond)

The deadline for entries is Friday 29th April 2022

Email your entries to Lizzie Church on

Elizabeth.church@royalgreenwich.gov.uk

Make sure you include your full name, school and year group when entering!



Our school has been amazingly supportive of the Hospice by helping to promote their **Hospice Mini Marathon** fundraising event in the past. Your support has helped the Mini Marathon to raise over £450,000 since 2013 and helped us to give special care to people who are facing a life-limiting illness in our community - thank you.

They would be grateful if we could please support them again this year in the 2022 **Hospice Mini Marathon** which takes place on Sunday 8 May. Inspired by the world-famous London Marathon, this is a fun running event for children aged between 5 and 16 years old. Children can walk, run or jog 2.62miles around Royal Greenwich Park.

#### Why support the Hospice Mini Marathon?

The Hospice Mini Marathon is a great way to:

- Get children active
- Inspire children to think about how they can help others in their community
- Give children an opportunity to show off their achievements every child gets a medal (a
  great thing to celebrate in achievement assemblies!)
- Be part of the one of the largest running events that is just for children





Our school dinner provider, Chartwells, are delighted to introduce their annual school meals survey, called **FOOD FOR THOUGHT**, putting an emphasis on to what they do best – serving great tasting, nutritious food to schools.

The insights gathered from this survey will help to develop the Autumn/Winter menus and help to further improve the service going forward making lunchtimes a better experience for your children.

The survey will be live on **15th March** and we urge each of you to complete with your thoughts.

Holiday Food and Fun – Free holiday club places for children receiving free school meals

No need to worry about what to do over the holidays, as Royal Greenwich's Holiday Food and Fun scheme is back.

Free, funded places at holiday clubs are available this Easter for children and young people aged 4-16, who are eligible for free school meals.

There are holiday clubs across the borough offering different activity camps, which will all include a healthy lunch every day too.

From football to arts and crafts, there will be a holiday club for every child's interest – and at no cost to eligible families.

There are also specialist SEND clubs taking part.

Contact providers directly to book spaces.

www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/HolidayFoodAndFun







Parents and Carers, can we please ask that you are mindful when dropping or collecting your child from school.

When parking your car please adhere to strictly no parking or waiting outside the school on the Yellow zig zag road signs and also keep your speed to **under 20mph** on the roads surrounding school to protect all families.

Thank you

Free Holiday Meals

#### **Information & Action**

#### Please share the below with parents and carers:

Free lunches are available for school children during the Easter break. Pick up a healthy packed lunch from our libraries and leisure centres throughout half-term. Simply turn up and tuck in, there's no need to register beforehand.

For a full list of locations and serving times visit royalgreenwich.gov.uk/HolidayMeals

Woolwich Centre Monday to Friday: 12pm	Thamesmere Li- brary Monday to Friday: 12pm	Plumstead Centre Monday to Friday: 12pm
Eltham Centre Monday to Friday 12pm	Plumstead Adven- ture Play Centre Tuesday and Thurs- day: 2pm	Woolwich Adven- ture Play Centre Tuesday and Thurs- day: 2pm
Glyndon Adventure Play Centre Tuesday and Thurs- day: 2pm	Coldharbour Adven- ture Play Centre Monday and Wednesday: 2pm	Meridian Adventure Play Centre Tuesday and Thurs- day: 2pm

#### CHE CREEN CROSS CODE A thorough knowledge of the Green Cross Code is vitally important to primary school children aged over 7 years: . First find a safe place to cross . Stop just before you get to the kerb . Look all around for traffic and listen . Onken it is soming, let it pass, look all around gain and listen . Onken it is softe go straight across the road - do not run . Keep looking and listening for traffic while you cross STOP – LOOCK – LISTEN

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Hello again from the Play in the Park team!

As we see woodpeckers hammering on trees, and daffodils blooming, we can finally say that spring is around the corner and that means (drum roll please...) spring-inspired play sessions in The Regents Park and Greenwich Park, hooray!

In the Easter holidays if you go down to the Parks you're sure of a big surprise... That's right, the teddy bears will be having not one but two picnic play sessions - and you and your bears are invited! Come along with your teddies and packed lunches to Greenwich Park on 6<sup>th</sup> April or The Regents Park on 13<sup>th</sup> April to join the Easter Teddy Bears Picnic.Our magical afterschool sessions celebrating freely chosen play will be back after the Easter holidays, taking place fortnightly on Fridays in Greenwich Park and Wednesdays in The Regents Park.

Working in collaboration with local organisations, the aim of these play sessions is to ensure that the newly refurbished Gloucester Gate and Greenwich Park Playgrounds are known about and well-used by local communities.

By encouraging children to direct their own play, we hope to show them that they are able to get exactly what they need from this space as well as other green and natural spaces.

If you are a local resident or organisation we would love to hear from you with any feedback or questions, you can contact us by replying to this email.

To find out more about the Play in the Park project and to keep up to date with where we'll be please keep an eye on the <u>website</u> and follow us on <u>Instagram</u>. If you have any questions or feedback we would love to hear from you – you can talk to us during the sessions or get in touch by email : <u>play@royalparks.org.uk</u>





### THE REGENT'S PARK

**13 APRIL** Wednesday Free Gloucester Gate Playground 12:00 - 16:00 Register your interest <u>here.</u>



#### **THE REGENT'S PARK** Wednesday 15:30 - 18:30 27 April 2022

11 May 2022 25 May 2022 Register your interest <u>here.</u>



#### GREENWICH PARK 6 APRIL Wednesday Free Greenwich Park Playground 12:00 - 16:00 Register your interest <u>here.</u>



#### GREENWICH PARK Friday 15:30 - 18:30 22 April 2022 6 May 2022 20 May 2022 Register your interest <u>here.</u>





Cray Wanderers Community Scheme would really like to tell you about our Holiday Sports camp at Shooters Hill Sixth Form College that we are running over the Easter Break.

They are really pleased to be able to offer <u>FREE</u> places for those children who are entitled to free school meals \*pupil premium funded by The Royal Borough of Greenwich (eligibility is required). Payable places are also available.

### PRO KICKERS ACADEMY & MERIDIAN SPORTS FC

### ARE YOU LOOKING TO JOIN A NEW FOOTBALL TEAM?

#### Come join us!

Meridian Sports and Social Club Charlton Park Lane, SE7 8QS Wednesdays 5-6pm, £5 U7's-U12's All experiences welcome

#### prokickers.co.uk info@prokickers.co.uk 07701 057169





### PRO KICKERS ACADEMY HALF TERM FOOTBALL CAMPS

#### Mon 4th - Wed 6th April Mon 11th - Wed 13th April

£20 1 day, £35 2 day and £45 for 3 days Or: Both camps £85

Meridian Sports Club, Charlton SE7 8QS 10am-3pm (early 9am dropoff) Girls + boys aged 3-15

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Please find attached details to register on to the SPORTS CLUBS being held over Easter half term. The courses will be run by Bexley's Award winning GT CENTRE OF SPORT. Please be aware that spaces are limited and are usually very popular.

If you have any queries relating to the sports clubs, please do not contact the school but instead contact GT Centre of Sport directly. Their contact details can be found on the attached flyer.

### Shop Local this Mother's Day

Why not treat your mum, grandmother, auntie or other mother figure in your life while also supporting small businesses in the borough?

You can bag the perfect handmade gift or tasty treat using your Greenwich One Card for discounts.

Discover all the offers currently available.



### Ukraine support in Royal Borough of Greenwich

# Refugees are welcome in Royal Greenwich!



Over the past 27 days, we have watched in horror at the scenes unfolding in Ukraine. The Council continues to stand in solidarity with the people of Ukraine, and offer our sympathy to family and friends living here in the Royal Borough of Greenwich.

**Read about the many ways you can help**; from donating to charities on the ground to offering to take a Ukrainian refugee into your homes through the Government's Homes for Ukraine Scheme. Please be mindful that people fleeing war may understandably be traumatised and need a lot of support.



### **Boosters for those with increased vulnerability**

COVID-19 cases are increasing in South East London. The vaccine offers the best protection against becoming seriously unwell. A spring booster is now being offered to residents aged 75 and above, people who live in care homes and people with a weakened immune system.

If you've not had your first, second or booster dose yet, it's not too late. We encourage you to come and get jabbed at a time and place that works for you.

#### Read more about the vaccine.

People aged 75 and over are now eligible for their Spring COVID-19 booster vaccine.

The NHS will contact you.



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