

Rockcliffe Manor News

Friday 14th January 2022

We are already two weeks into the spring term and the children are making great strides in their learning and thoroughly enjoying their topics. This week, our after school clubs started and the children are enjoying these immensely. Thank you to all of our parents who have filled in the feedback form that went home this week about these clubs, we really do want to get the offer right for you! We asked some of the children who attended the clubs their opinion and here is what they had to say:

'Street dance was amazing, I enjoyed learning and practicing the dance. Kyram is a great teacher and teaches cool moves I've never seen before' shared Joel Y3, who then showed us his fantastic moves!

'I have joined music technology; it is really fun. We use an app on the ipads and look at the different noises we can make, we then put them together and make a tune, it was really funny' Daisy Y4

'I really enjoyed the yoga club. We played lots of yoga games and did some stretching and breathing. I would definitely recommend the club, especially if you have had an exciting day as after you feel really calm' Lily Y5

Year 2 have had a lovely week this week engaging in their learning across the curriculum. In English, the children are absolutely loving their new core text, 'Angus Rides the Goods Train'. They have been exploring the key themes in the story as well as generating descriptive vocabulary to describe a setting. In addition, in science the children are fascinated by their investigation to enquire which liquid will dissolve the egg shell and which one won't. Overall, it has been a very busy week and the children are enjoying being back in school!



Tochi said, "I can see the egg is changing colour. It's turning brown."

Albi T explained that, "This book is about kindness because Angus helped the bear by giving him honey."

This week, the Nursery children have been exploring the four seasons, through the journey of The Tiny Seed. They talked about what they liked doing in each season: *'In Winter, you can have hot chocolate'*, said Albie. *'In Summer we go to the beach'*, said Ethan. They also sorted clothes for teddies to take on a Summer and Winter holiday. In the garden role play, children dug and planted seeds. *'This is going to be a flower for my garden,'* said Freya. Outdoors, they used large wooden blocks to build a plant growing taller and taller, just like the tiny seed. The new children helped to look after the plants, giving them 'water' (Henna) and 'sun' (Violet).



This week, Year 5 have been journalists in English. They have been generating questions and interviewing eye witnesses in the role of characters from our core text. Olivia asked the police officer *'what is your strategy to defeat the plants?'* as there had been a new species of plants that has been destroying buildings. Finlay asked the local resident, Sherly, *'What did you do when the building col-*

lapsed?' They can't wait to write their newspaper articles and include responses to their questions based on evidence from the text. They have also been doing some observational drawings this week and they wanted to do this outside-taking advantage of the dry afternoons. River wanted to go out because he thought it would be more peaceful and we get fresh air.



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This week, the children in Reception have been learning about living things in literacy and what they need to survive. During our research the children learnt that every living thing requires air, food and water to survive. The children then used the facts they have learnt to write some amazing sentences, using our sentence starter 'I need..!'.
 Mateus said 'I will write for my sentence, I know that Elephants need food and water to survive'.
 Jack said 'I know I need healthy food and lots of water to survive'.
 Valentina said 'I can make 6 if I add 3+3 using the cherry model'.
 Violet said 'I can make 4 using 1 and 3, when I add them together it will be 4'.

In maths this week, the children have enjoyed learning how to use the cherry model independently to split the whole number into parts. The children then used this model to complete addition problems, adding the two parts together to find the whole number.

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

Mrs Vdovin and the whole Rockliffe Manor team



This cycling event for primary and secondary school children taking place on Saturday 22 January 2022 at Elmstead Wood Primary School from 9am. This stand-alone race is being organised by Limited Edition Cycling Club, who are based in Eltham and are part of the British Cycling South London Go-Ride Racing League.

I would be grateful if you could circulate the attached flyer to your pupils, please, along with this link to book their place in the race.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/lec-new-years-race-tickets-237523628567>

This fun, entry-level event is for novice* riders aged 16 years and younger who want to try bike racing. Riders in each age group from Under 6s, Under 8s, etc, to Under 16s will race against other riders in their age category on a cyclocross-style off-road course, so mountain bikes or bikes with chunkier tyres will be ideal. Riders must bring a bike in good working order, a helmet and gloves. Entry is £4 cash on the day.

*This event is unsuitable for riders with race experience at regional level and above.

LEC New Year Go-Ride Race

Limited Edition Cycling is hosting a mincepie-busting, one-off winter Go-Ride event on **22 January 2022**. The race is open to all novice riders born in or after 2006.

Enjoy the Thrill of the Race!

Race venue
Elmstead Wood Primary School
Castlecoombe Road
Nottingham SE9 4AT

Saturday 22 January
Sign-on from 9.00am
£4 cash entry on the day

Bring a bike, helmet and gloves!

Limited Edition Cycling
Every rider UNIQUE



Pre-race registration

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For more information, contact
juniorsteam@limitededitioncycling.co.uk

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Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people, and to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically, and creatively. The theme this year is 'All fun and games?' and the day is a fantastic opportunity to engage students to think about positive, safe and kind online relationships. There are some really good resources available via:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2022>

We have an entire section on our website dedicated to [Digital Parenting and Online Safety](#) that we update regularly and urge you to read to keep on top of this ever changing and emerging technological world!

Don't forget **Saturday 15th January** is the last day to apply for your child's Reception School place to start in September 2022.

More information can be found on our website:

[ADMISSIONS - RECEPTION CLASS 2022 - Welcome to Rockliffe Manor Primary School](#)



[Greenwich Together for Winter: Support for residents over winter | Greenwich Together for Winter | Royal Borough of Greenwich \(royalgreenwich.gov.uk\)](#)

The Greenwich Together for Winter campaign gathers information about all the support and help that's available for residents over wintertime in one place, making it easier to find and access.

Please [click the link](#) for information on the Household Support Grant; Staying warm; Staying well—including mental wellbeing, looking after your body, drinking less alcohol, stopping smoking, holiday food and fun and so much more

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Attendance This Week

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| Reception | 90.1% |
| Year 1 | 96.6% |
| Year 2 | 95.3% |
| Year 3 | 97.1% |
| Year 4 | 94.1% |
| Year 5 | 93.5% |
| Year 6 | 97.5% |
| Whole School | 94.9% |

Merits

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| Reception | Ikechukwu |
| Year 1 | Adam |
| Year 2 | Julia |
| Year 3 | Ebenezer |
| Year 4 | Amir |
| Year 5 | Teodor |
| Year 6 | Samuel |



Happy Birthday to:

***until 21st January 2022**

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Testing

The isolation period in England has been reduced to five full days. **From Monday 17th January people will be able to leave isolation after negative lateral flow tests on days five and six.**

People must test negative for coronavirus on the fifth and sixth days (with the day a positive test is recorded being day one) of their isolation period before they are allowed to leave.

We are seeing the numbers of new cases dropping, but we urge everyone to continue playing their part to keep our School safe. Please remember to stick to the basics – wear a mask in public places, and especially when entering the school grounds, and on transport, wash your hands and use sanitizer, and keep rooms well-ventilated where you can.

Dates for your diary

- **Thursday 20th January 2022—Census Themed school dinner**
- **Monday 24th January 2022— Year 6 British Museum Trip**
- **Wednesday 26th January 2022 –KS2 Parent Stay & Learn sessions**
- **Thursday 10th February 2022—Year 1 & Year 2 Royal Festival Hall Trip**
- **Monday 14th February—Friday 18th February 2022 Spring Half term**
- **Friday 11th March 2022—Inset Day**



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'Unity'
The Royal Greenwich Youth Choir



The brand-new Royal Greenwich Youth Choir, 'Unity', launches in February 2022 and we want you!

If you are Year 6 or above, and love singing, we want to see you on a Wednesday after school at our midweek centre.

This multi-genre choir will sing a range of songs from soul and gospel, to rock and pop. You will also get the opportunity to improve your harmony work, vocal technique and performance skills.

Unity will run:

- Every Wednesday during term time
- 5pm – 6pm
- Eltham Hill School, Eltham Hill, SE9

Supported using public funding by



UNITY is the new youth choir run by Royal Greenwich Music Service. It will take place every Wednesday evening, 5-6pm, during term time at the newly launched '**Royal Greenwich, Midweek Music Centre**' based at Eltham Hill School.

We are looking for children from year 6 upwards who are keen singers and would like to improve their harmony work, vocal technique, and performance skills.

They will sing a wide range of songs from Soul and Gospel to Rock and Pop.

UNITY will launch after February half term, with it's first performance at the Royal Greenwich Singing Spectacular in May.

The cost to attend is fully subsidised for those in receipt of free school meals.

For other families who may find it difficult to pay we have other subsidies or payment options available.

Please see [flyer](#) attached for more information



Please may we politely remind you to regularly check your ParentPay account if your child has a school dinner to ensure they are not accruing dinner debts.

If you are also having any difficulties making payments towards your school dinner account, please do contact the school office, where we will be happy to discuss with you.

The Department for Education will be carrying out a school census on **Thursday 20th January**.

We are delighted to offer a special menu on this day and urge as many children to take a school meal.

If you are usually packed lunch please do email us to change to school for this day only to sample the delicious menu.

Usual fees of £2.15 Apply to all children in KS2 that are not eligible for free School Dinners.



BURGERS & DOGS

20/01/22

Tasty Mains
Beef Burger
Veggie Hot Dog

Scrummy Sides
Chips
Sweetcorn
Baked Beans

Yummy Desserts
Chocolate Orange Drizzle Cake with Chocolate Custard
Strawberry Jelly & Ice Cream

Usual Meal Price Applies

Don't forget, school meals are free for all children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2!

To sign up for this tasty theme day menu, please speak to your school.

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Civic Awards 2022 nominations open

Residents are now invited to name their local hero of 2022, whether that is an individual or organisation who they feel have made an outstanding contribution to the community.

The award categories are: Good Neighbour; Young Persons Outstanding Achievement; Volunteer; Community; Sporting Achievement; Teacher/Teaching Assistant; Arts and Entertainment; Act of Courage; Lifetime Achievement.

Winners will receive their honours at a special ceremony at Woolwich Town Hall on Thursday 17 March.

[Nomination Form](#)



Beachwood welcomes children in the morning before school and afterwards until 6pm. We have sixteen places available for pupils in Reception to Year 6 and who attend Rockliffe Manor.

Beachwood opening times are:

- **7.30am to 8.45am** – Morning sessions
- **3.30pm to 6.00pm** – After school sessions

We offer breakfast in the morning and a snack in the evening, and there are two staff members on site at every session. Beachwood is a registered play setting and is run in line with Ofsted regulations. The staff provide planned activities including a movie night on a Wednesday, a cooking night and help with homework.

All places are offered on a full time basis at a cost of **£75.00** per child per week. Fees are payable in ParentPay.

We currently have spaces available, please email is on info@rockliffemanor.greenwich.sch.uk if you