

Rockcliffe Manor News

Thursday 16th December 2021

Today is the last day of the autumn term! We have a wonderful term at Rockcliffe Manor full of laughter, joy and amazing learning experiences. We are so proud of all that the children have achieved this term especially with all the ups and downs of the pandemic. Over the last few weeks, it has been fantastic to be able to invite parents in to see the children perform. All of the children have greatly enjoyed singing and reading in front of a live audience.

The Year 2 children impressed us with their confident acting in their Nativity, while Year 1 and Reception sang the songs beautifully. The audience loved KS2's Carol Concert and they had everyone singing along and moving with their grand finale! It was also lovely to see our youngest children in Nursery at their sing-a-long. The children enjoyed making their adults smile with some favourite songs.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish every single one of our families a wonderful winter break. We hope that you all manage to have some rest and relaxation with family and friends, and we wish you a happy new year when it comes. See you all in January 2022!

Year 5 and Year 6 loved ending the term with an adventurous trip to Deptford Creek. Year 5 became scientists and tested the water quality of the creek. They tested the temperature, pH and oxygen levels, and even got to do some fishing! This linked to the children's science learning in the classroom and gave them a real hands on experience to enhance their skills and knowledge. Year 6 also got to paddle in the water and this time learnt about the physical and human geographical features of the River Thames. They also enjoyed doing some geographical fieldwork drawings.

Year 1 had an amazing start to this week showing their nativity to all of the parents. They did an amazing job being Year 2's musicians and we know how much everyone enjoyed watching! Holly asked 'can we do that again, I loved it!'. A massive well done to everyone involved!



Year 1 have also been putting their shape knowledge to the test this week. They became architects and were required to create their own London landmark ensuring they met the specific requirements set out in their brief. Jacob said 'I want to make sure my building is built properly at the bottom otherwise it will fall over', Meryem agreed saying that she wanted to put the prism at the top otherwise it wouldn't be stable. The children also then had to be subject to Miss Roper's weather wobble test which saw whether their buildings could withstand the ever changing weather we have in the UK. Leo's building was very successful, when asked why he said 'I didn't make my building too tall I made it short and wide'. Year 1 have had such a wonderful term and we all can't wait to have another amazing one in January!



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This week, Year 4 had an amazing end to the term. From the Christmas carol concert to publishing their English learning, Year 4 have showed great resilience and perseverance when faced with many challenges. Publishing their inspirational speeches, Year 4 have done a fantastic job at using persuasive language to engage their reader, encouraging them to make a change and help refugees coming to the UK. The children showed great confidence in their carol performances and showed how beautifully they can all sing when working together, especially boosting the morale of their peers who had solos. To end the week, Year 4 had an fun winter class party, where they enjoyed playing musical bumps, musical statues and even faced off in dance battles in between eating loads of the yummy food they bought. It has been an amazing term and Year 4 have really shown how much they have grown over the past weeks.

'I was nervous about singing in front of an audience but I'm glad I overcame by fear because I think I sounded good and my parents were really proud of me' Jonny

'I really liked the Christmas carol concert, especially when we had dance moves to the songs because they made me feel jolly' Arlo

'English is my new favourite subject because of the amount of detail I put into my inspirational speech. I'm really proud of my work' Hazel

'My favourite part of the week was our winter party because I really enjoyed dancing and eating food with all my friends in our own clothes' Malachi

We look forward to seeing you back on the **4th January 2022**. Thank you for all of your support this term.

Mrs Vdovin and the whole Rockliffe Manor team



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School Term Dates 2022

Spring Term	
Term 3 Begins	Term 3 Ends
Children return on Tuesday 4 th January	Children's last day of school Friday 11 th February
Half Term Monday 14 th February – Friday 18 th February	
Term 4 Begins	Term 4 Ends
Children return on Monday 21 st February	Children's last day of school Friday 1 st April
School Closures	
INSET Days: Friday 11 th March	
Summer Term	
Term 5 Begins	Term 5 Ends
Children return to school Tuesday 19 th April	Children's last day of school Friday 27 th May
Half Term Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June	
Term 6 Begins	Term 6 Ends
Children return on Monday 6 th June	Children's last day of school Friday 22 nd July
School Closures	
Bank Holiday: Monday 2 nd May	
INSET Days: Friday 24 th June	

WATCH THE BOLDS ONLINE FOR FREE THIS CHRISTMAS

Please see details below about how you can watch a free, filmed version of the Christmas show 'The Bolds' put on by the [Unicorn Theatre](https://www.youtube.com/user/unicorntheatre).

A specially filmed version of The Bolds will be free to watch on our YouTube channel from 20th - 24th December. Recommended for ages 6+

<https://www.youtube.com/user/unicorntheatre>

Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0SSxjea0RAQ>



The Bolds are just like you and me. They live in an ordinary house in an ordinary street, and they love to laugh. But there's one slight difference... They're hyenas!

How long can they keep their beastly secret under their hats? Join Mr and Mrs Bold, Betty and Bobby, as they navigate work, school and friends, all whilst trying to keep up their disguise.

With live music, songs and adventures, this brand new Christmas show revels in the joy of being anything but ordinary.

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Holiday Food and Fun



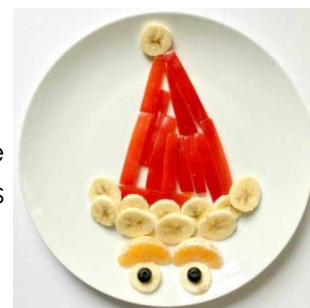
We are delighted to advise, that using funding from the Department for Education, the Royal Borough of Greenwich will be offering free funded holiday club spaces for eligible children and young people. If your child is aged between 4 and 16 and receives, or is eligible for free school meals, you'll be able to claim a space for them. There is also specialist SEND provision and packages available.

[Please click here for more information and the map of available clubs to book your space](#)

Free meals for Kids

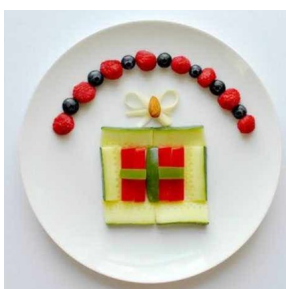
RBG is also providing nutritious meals for all children and young people with the borough during the school holidays. Food will be served across multiple locations and there is no age limit for children.

[Please click here to view the list of venues offering food.](#)



Finally, all families that are eligible for Free School Meals should check their email accounts to look for the food vouchers from the Government to help towards the cost of food this holiday.

Please note, this is not managed by the School, so if you have any queries please do contact RBG direct.



The Greenwich Foodbank provides three days' nutritious food to residents referred to them in crisis.

This Christmas and beyond, the foodbank needs your support in the forms of donations (both food and money) [Learn how you can help.](#)

[Please click here if you need help from the foodbank for your family.](#)



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 HM Government



**STAY
ALERT** ▶ **CONTROL
THE VIRUS** ▶ **SAVE
LIVES**

You will have seen on the news this week that the Government has issued several new [COVID-19 Safety](#) measure in England in response to the emergence of the Omicron variant.

Daily testing for contacts of COVID-19

From Tuesday 14 December, a new national approach to daily testing for contacts of COVID-19 is being introduced (including until the end of this term). All adults who are fully vaccinated and children aged 5 to 18 years and 6 months, identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 – whether Omicron or not – should take a lateral flow device (LFD) test every day for 7 days instead of self-isolating. Daily testing by close contacts will help to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Daily testing for contacts of COVID-19 will help protect education settings by reducing transmission and will also help keep pupils in face-to-face education.

Once notified by NHS Test and Trace as a close contact, all eligible staff, pupils and students should take an LFD each day for 7 days and report the results through the [Online Reporting System](#) and to their setting. If they test negative, they can continue to attend their education setting. Outside of the education setting, they should continue to follow the advice set out in the [Sunday 12 December press release](#). This approach should also be adopted over the winter break and on return in January.

If they test positive, they should self-isolate and [order a PCR test](#) to confirm the result. If the PCR is positive, they must self-isolate for 10 days. If the PCR test is negative, they no longer need to self-isolate but should continue to carry out the remainder of the daily tests, and only need to isolate if it is positive.

The situation is evolving and public health guidance can change at short notice. We will share any further updates with you as soon as possible. Please check the [UK Government](#) and [NHS websites](#), as well as [Rockliffe Manor's COVID-19 update page on our website](#), for the latest information.

You can also find more information and [local summary reports for our local community here](#).



NHS 111

A&E at Queen Elizabeth Hospital is exceptionally busy, and patients are experiencing much longer waits than normal. If you have a non-life-threatening condition, please call NHS 111 first or check local services on the [My Health London website](#).

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Attendance This Week

Reception	92.5%
Year 1	92.6%
Year 2	93.6%
Year 3	90.9%
Year 4	90.0%
Year 5	83.2%
Year 6	95.6%
Whole School	91.1%



Happy Birthday to:

*until 7th January 2022

Freya	Nursery	Samuel	Reception
Jacob	Reception	Elizabeth	Year 5
Grace	Year 6	Ishmael	Reception
Henry	Reception	Lucia	Year 4
Aariz	Year 3		
Oluwatobiloba	Year 2		
Quincy	Year 1		
Ethan	Year 5		

Merits



Reception	Aniya
Year 1	Dasha
Year 2	Jawad
Year 3	Ava
Year 4	Hazel
Year 5	Everyone
Year 6	Ezra

Reception 2022 Admissions

If your child is due to start Reception in September 2022 the deadline for you to apply for their school place is fast approaching on 15th January 2022.

Please check our Website <https://www.rockliffemanor.co.uk/612/admissions-reception-class-2022>

for more information about our Open Days for parents and details how to submit your application

Dates for your diary

- Thursday 16th December- last day of term
- Tuesday 4th January 2022—Children return to school
- Monday 10th January 2022—After school clubs resume

