

Rockcliffe Manor News

Friday 16th September 2022

Today we approach the end of the second week of this half term and Reception's first full week of school! The classrooms have been alive with the sound of excited children and amazing learning experiences. It was also fantastic to welcome all of our parents into our classrooms for the first time this year for our Meet the teacher sessions. This was a chance for the teachers to share important information with you and for you to get to know your child's new teacher. We hope you enjoyed the sessions, the PowerPoints will be made available on our website shortly, so please do take a look if you were unable to join us.



Next week on Thursday at 2.30pm and Friday at 9am, Mrs Cook will be holding a meeting in the music room to share our school development priorities, it will be great to explore our key focuses for the year and to welcome your feedback on these. We really do appreciate any parent voice to ensure we are doing the very best for the children at Rockcliffe Manor.

Let's take a look at some of the learning this week... This week reception have settled in very well at Rockcliffe. They have been fully immersed in the learning environment engaging with all of the provision that has been provided for them. During carpet sessions this week, they have been looking at initial sounds in phonics and have practised writing their names. During the afternoons, the children have been identifying their emotions and sharing with each other how they have felt about their time at Rockcliffe so far! Kairo said that he was feeling happy and really enjoys playing with his friends outside. Gioia was feeling loved because her mummy gave her a love heart before the school day and Malachi was feeling proud because he was sitting beautifully on the carpet. All of reception should be very proud as they complete their first full week of school. We can't wait to see all of the amazing things they get to do this year.

This week Year 2 have been focusing on partitioning numbers in their maths. They have been using physical resources to represent how a number can be broken down into different combinations to maintain the same total. They were also very successful within their science lesson, identifying and reasoning what makes a living thing alive. The children were very excited to share their ideas and what they believe makes a thing alive and why it is so important to have these characteristics.



'I liked the science lesson! I enjoyed sorting the pictures into groups of living things and not living things. I think a living thing is something that breathes and has a soul' - Meryem



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The maths was very good because there were some tricky questions but I worked out the answer' - Ayomide

'I think partitioning is fun but challenging because it took a long time to find the different ways to make a number' - Carlo

'I enjoyed the question in science that asked me what is important to make sure we are alive. I said movement' - Ely



Year 4 have had a very busy and exciting week too! On Wednesday, they welcomed Welling United to kick start our 10-week programme on Wellness Wings. The children completed a questionnaire that assessed their understanding of what wellbeing and health means. This will then be repeated at the end of the programme to show the learning the children have done. The loved playing a game of sit-down balloon volleyball where the rules got harder every round. Cairon said 'It is so challenging not standing up to get the balloon but it is so much fun!'. The children also showed amazing teamwork skills by praising each other and communicating to pass the balloon.

Julie said 'Ava, that was an amazing shot!'.

Year 4 have also been immersed in their English learning this week, they have enjoyed re-enacting the scenes from the book using key vocabulary to support them. Asante declared to the rest of the class 'it was not nobody who hurt you, you fool, it was I Odysseus'. The class have also been using the book's vocabulary in their writing such as Liya's sentence 'I felt dumbfounded when I read Circe had changed Odysseus' men into pigs.

The children have settled into Year 4 so well and have already begun creating such amazing outcomes. We look forward to seeing how the rest of the term develops.

We very much look forward to seeing everyone back to school next week Tuesday and hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

With very best wishes, Mrs Cook and the Rockliffe Manor team



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Secondary Schools
in Royal Greenwich
2023/2024



Secondary school admission guide

The closing date for on time applications is **31 October 2022**.

If your child is due to transfer from primary to secondary school in September 2023 and you miss the deadline, you still need to apply for a secondary school place online.

<https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/?page=Tutorial&service=page>

Planned admission timetable

Secondary transfer process for entry in September 2021

Stage of process	Date
Application period starts	1 September 2022
Closing date for applications	31 October 2022
Outcome of applications	1 March 2023
Deadline for accepting the offer	15 March 2023
Appeal hearings	May and June 2023
Induction day at secondary school	5 July 2023

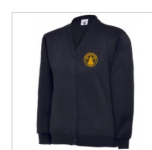
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We are pleased to advise that all Rockliffe Manor branded school uniform is now exclusively available to purchase at JK Clothing.

You can visit them in store at 14 Wellington Parade, Sidcup, DA15 9NB

Or by visiting our dedicated page on their website:

<https://www.jkclothing.net/product-category/schools/blackfen-store/rockliffe/>



Autumn Term 2022	
Term 1 Begins	Term 1 Ends
Children return on Monday 5 th September 2022	Children's last day of school Friday 21 st October 2022
Half Term Monday 24 th October – Friday 28 th October 2022	
Term 2 Begins	Term 2 Ends
Children return on Monday 31 st October 2022	Children's last day of school Friday 16 th December 2022
School Closures INSET Days: Thursday 1 st and Friday 2 nd September 2022	
Spring Term 2023	
Term 3 Begins	Term 3 Ends
Children return on Tuesday 3 rd January 2023	Children's last day of school Friday 10 th February 2023
Half Term Monday 13 th February – Friday 17 th February 2023	
Term 4 Begins	Term 4 Ends
Children return on Monday 20 th February 2023	Children's last day of school Friday 31 st March 2023
School Closures INSET Days: Friday 10 th March 2023	
Summer Term 2023	
Term 5 Begins	Term 5 Ends
Children return to school Monday 17 th April 2023	Children's last day of school Friday 26 th May 2023
Half Term Monday 29 th May – Friday 2 nd June 2023	
Term 6 Begins	Term 6 Ends
Children return on Monday 5 th June 2023	Children's last day of school Friday 21 st July 2023
School Closures Bank Holiday : Monday 19 th September 2022 Bank Holiday: Monday 1 st May 2023 INSET Days: Friday 23 rd June 2023	

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We are pleased to inform you that the negotiation of a new contract with our current school meal suppliers, Chartwells, has meant that we are able to reduce the cost of a school dinner to **£2.10** per day (£10.50 a week) from September 2022.

Rockliffe Manor School has its own kitchen and meals are prepared daily by our wonderful chef Gail. There is a choice of meat or vegetarian main dish, salad and dessert with water available throughout meal times. You will find the current menu until October 2022 attached.

Free School Meals

Children in years Reception to Year 2 are all entitled to free school meals as part of the universal meal scheme funded by the Government.

Free school meals are available to children from Years 3-6 whose parents are in receipt of eligible benefits including:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400.
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190, as assessed by HMRC.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

If you think you are entitled to Free School Meals, please go to <https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals> if the application is successful, please do let the school know as soon as possible so we may make the necessary arrangements. If you have any problems accessing the online application, please contact the school office.

Finally, please may we remind you, for administrative purposes, that we ask you to make the choice for school dinner or packed lunch on a termly basis and keep the school office informed of any changes.



Special Educational Needs (SEN) Provision in Greenwich

Dear Families,

The SEN team are currently looking at plans to develop new provision locally and need to get input from families. They have created a question for you to share your views.

The questionnaire will be open until 30/09/22. Please click on the link below to share your voice: <https://www.menti.com/4ao3xqtd4o>

It's really important they get as many different views as possible to support the decision making. This is a great opportunity to give feedback on the provision in our community across Greenwich.



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Attendance

Attendance This Week	
Reception	88.89%
Year 1	96.3%
Year 2	98.77%
Year 3	98.52%
Year 4	90.95%
Year 5	92.22%
Year 6	89.27%
Whole School	93.39%



Diary Dates

Dates for your diary

- Monday 19th September— Bank Holiday— School closed
- Tuesday 20th September—After School clubs begin
- Wednesday 21st September 2022—Year 5 Swimming lessons
- Thursday 22nd September 2022—Year 6 Library Trip
- Thursday 29th September 2022—Year 1 Library Trip
- Monday 24th October 2022 —Friday 28th 2022 October Half term
- Friday 25th November 2022—Staff Inset Day



Happy Birthday to:
*until Friday 30th September 2022



Kairo	Reception	Layla	Year 1
Gabriel	Year 5	Albie	Reception
Malachi	Year 5	Reggie	Year 2
Jawad	Year 3	Kameel	Year 5
Lex	Year 6	Arthur	Year 2
Tyrece	Year 6	Ann-Marie	Year 5

Merits

Reception	James
Year 1	Ishmael
Year 2	Ana
Year 3	Mitchell
Year 4	Isaiah
Year 5	Chloe
Year 6	Joe

Merits 9th September

Reception	All of Reception
Year 1	Emma
Year 2	Emre
Year 3	Kristina
Year 4	Riley
Year 5	Inaya
Year 6	Archie