



NEWSLETTER 8 CYCLE 2, WEEK 3

REACH ACADEMY FELTHAM NEWS

TERM DATES 2022-2023

Autumn 2022

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Key

- School Day
- Training Day (School Closed)
- School Closed
- Bank Holiday

Please note training days in 2022/23 are subject to change.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Tuesday 17th January	Y6 (Tyne Only) - Art workshop and visit to the Tate Modern
Wednesday 18th January	Nursery - Lets talk about Self-Regulation and Co-Regulation 15.30-16:000 Y4 - Let's Talk About Puberty 15.20-15.50
Thursday 19th January	Y5 - Trip to the London Museum of Water and Steam
WB 23rd January	Nursery Trip to Costa (all week) Hampton School Maths Lead Delivering a Lesson for Y5s 9:40 - 10:35

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Monday 23rd January	Y5 - Young Voices Concert
Wednesday 25th January	Y2 - Let's talk about Friendships 15.20-15.50 Let's talk about Mental Health and Puberty 15.20-15.50 UCAS Deadline 18.00
Thursday 26th January	Sixth Form Taster Day
Monday 30th January	Reading Workshop 15.30 - 16.00 Y6 - Workshop - SATS and Writing Checklist 15.30 - 16.00
Wednesday 1st February	R - Visit from a Community Police Officer Y1 - Let's talk about health 15.20- 15.50
Thursday 2nd February	Y9 - PCE 15.30-18.30 World Book Day

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Wednesday 22nd February	Y4 - Workshop - Times Tables 15.20 - 15.50
	Y12/13 - English Lit Trip to Hampton 13.00 - 17.00
WB 27th February	Primary Music Competition Auditions
Wednesday 1st March	Y4 - Trip to Lion King [Provisional]
Thursday 2nd March	Y1 - Trip to Natural History Museum
Wednesday 8th March	EYFS Parents' Evening 15.00 - 19.00 Y11 - Mock Results Evening 16.30 - 18.30 Y10 - NCFE Health and Fitness Exam

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



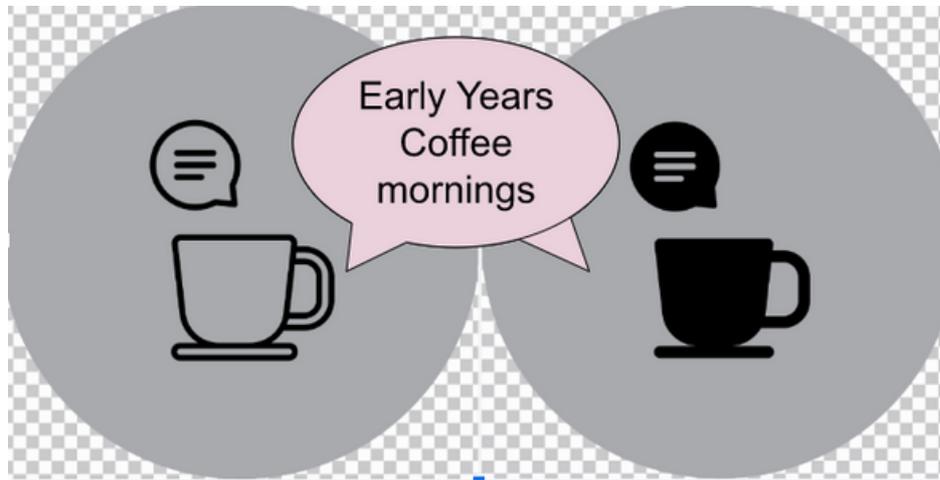
Monday 20th March	Y2 - SATS (all week) Y6 - SATS (all week)
Tuesday 21st March	Y1 - Celebration Event 14.30 - 15.00 Y8 - IWM Trip
Wednesday 22nd March	R - Trip to Hounslow Urban Farm Y5 - Parent Celebration 14.30 - 15.00
Thursday 23rd March	Y2 - Celebration Event 14.30 - 15.00 N - Y6 Parents' Evening 15.00 - 19.00 Y6 - Reach Score Prize and Auction 14.15 - 15.00 Y7 - Your Life, You Choose
WB 27th March	Y12 - DofE Practise (New Forest) Y6 - SAT Mocks Week
Monday 27th March	R - Big Goals Afternoon Tea 14.00 - 14.40

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Tuesday 28th March	N- Y6 Parents' Evening 15.00 - 19.00
Date: TBC	Y9 - Options, DofE and First Give

EYFS Coffee Mornings



Last term, Aimee (Early Years SENDCo) and Natasha (Speech & Language Therapist) ran a weekly coffee morning to support nursery and reception parents with early communication.

We all had a great time sharing tips and strategies to support different areas of speech, language and communication, and parents built a strong network of support amongst each other (and there was coffee and biscuits!)

We covered the following areas:

1. Listening & attention
2. Play
3. Understanding language
4. Communication (including Makaton)



LOVE YOURSELF DISCO!

FRIENDS OF REACH
PRESENTS

DJ KOOLKATS

LOVE YOURSELF
DISCO

10.02.2023 | 3:30-5:30PM

NURSERY, RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND 2

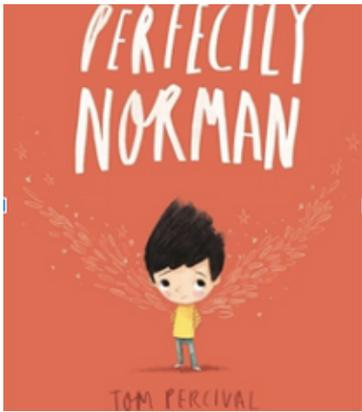
£3 ENTRY INCLUDING A DRINK & SNACK
PARENTS WELCOME FREE OF CHARGE
ONLINE BOOKING DETAILS TO FOLLOW

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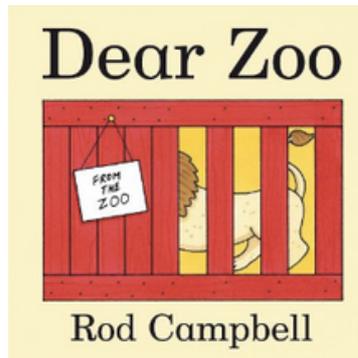
REACH RECOMMENDED READS

We hope you enjoy our recommendations!

EYFS: Nursery and Reception

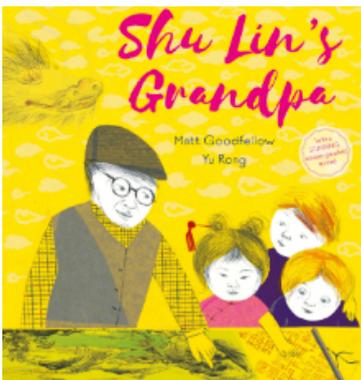


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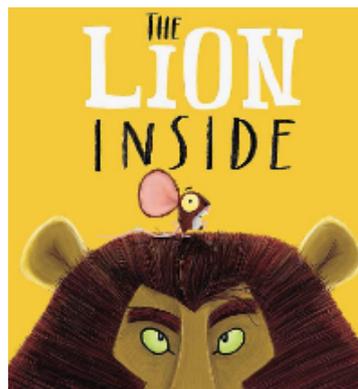


Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell

KS1: Year 1 and 2



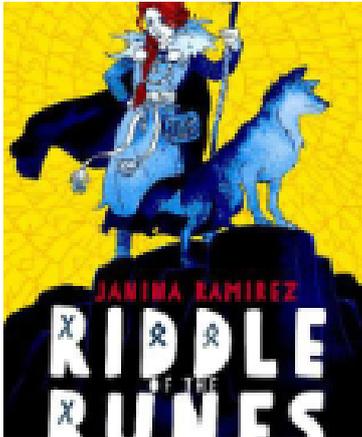
Shu Lin's Grandpa by Matt Goodfellow



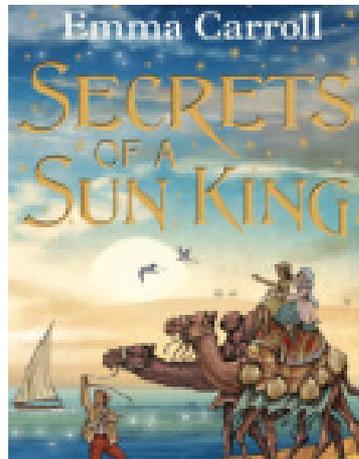
The Lion Inside by Rachel Bright

REACH RECOMMENDED READS

LKS2: Years 3 and 4

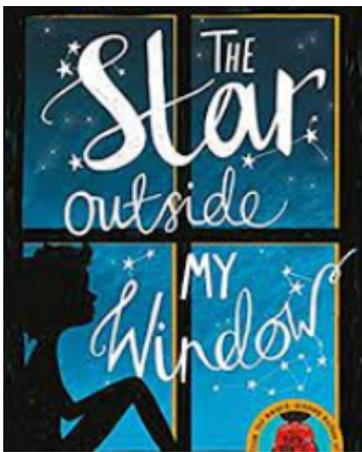


Riddle of the Runes by Tony Bradman

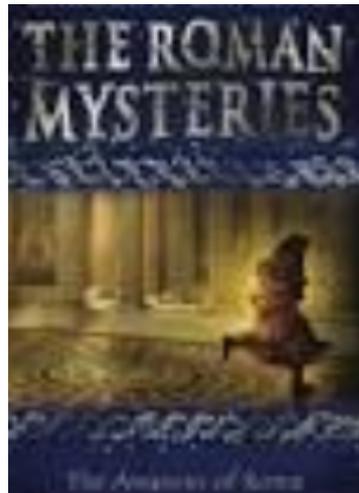


Secrets of Sun King by Emma Carroll

UKS2: Years 5 and 6

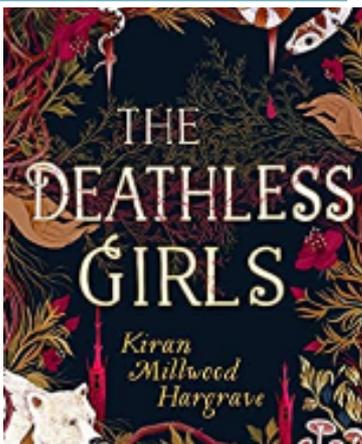


The Star Outside my Window by Onjali Q. Rauf

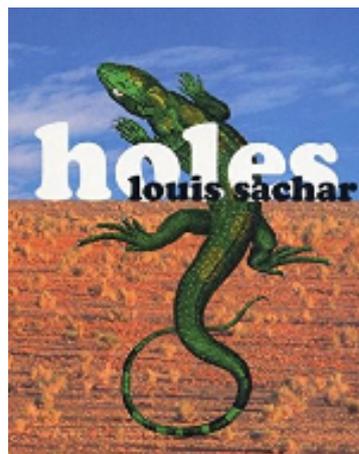


The Roman Mysteries by Caroline Lawrence

KS3: Years 7 and 8



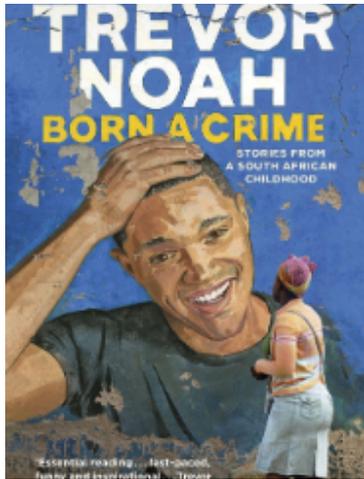
The Deathless Girls by Kiran Millwood



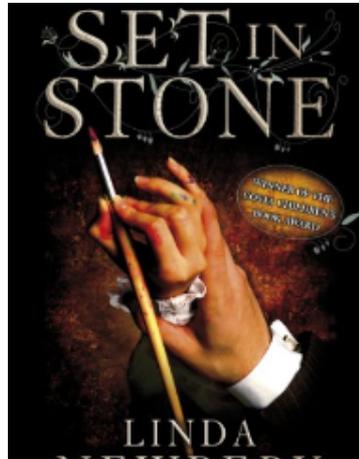
Holes by Louis Sachar

REACH RECOMMENDED READS

KS4: Years 9-11

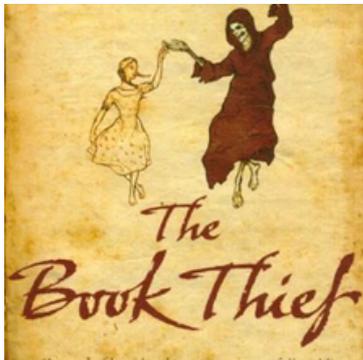


Born a Crime by Trevor Noah

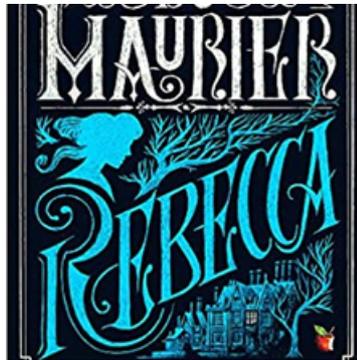


Set in Stone by Linda Newberry

KS5: Years 12-13

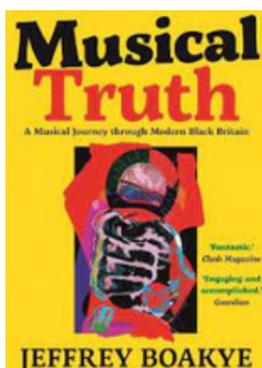


The Book Thief, Markus Zusak



Rebecca, Daphne du Maurier

Parents



Musical Truth by Jeffrey Boakye



The Island of Missing Trees by Elif Shafak

UNDERSTANDING FINANCES

1 Understanding school finances

Trips and visits are so important to your child's development. They enhance their experience of school. They help them to see the wider world and perhaps more importantly, they are fun, create lasting memories and build friendships for life.

11th in the country!

We submit balanced budgets, spend income thoughtfully and innovate where possible to create efficiencies in a fundamentally inefficient system, for example by creating the [Reach Children's Hub](#).

Our outcomes are in the top 10% nationally across all measures from Early Years to A Levels and 100% of our pupils in Y13 last year has a place at university or on a high tariff apprenticeship.

Of all schools in England in 2022 with pupil deprivation above 40% and no entrance selection criteria based on religion, Reach Academy's Progress 8 score ranked us 11th in the country.

Over the past 10 years we have significantly subsidised the cost of activities, educational resources and essentials such as costs of food and school uniform in order to ensure that every single one of our pupils is able to enjoy a life of choice and opportunity during their school years and, crucially, in their adult lives.

Rising school costs

	Last year	This year
Box of paper	£11.93	£22.50
Gas bill	£18,000	£101,000
Electricity bill	£73,000	£368,000

We get funding per pupil and have not received additional money to cover these costs.

We are, sadly, not in a position to subsidise costs as easily as we have done in the past because of rising expenses out of our control. But we still don't want your children to miss out. That is why we need some help...

What can you do?

- Please pay for trips.** Schools have to legally say that some parts of payments are 'voluntary'. In reality, if we don't get enough families paying then trips can't go ahead. Many schools just tell parents that all costs are compulsory, we don't, but please pay if you can.
- Please also pay for your lunches.** You can pay in advance to avoid getting into arrears.
- If you can't pay some or all of the cost please speak to us as early as possible and we will make a plan. We do not want your child to miss out. **We will find a way together.**

We will continue to manage things well and seek opportunities for funding and other resources.

We will also continue to support you and provide an outstanding education to your children.

We are here to work together for the very best outcomes for your children.

Thank you.

2 Do you wish to help a family?

If you can contribute more than the cost of your child's lunches or trips, then please do.

To make it easy for you to help if you would like to everyone will soon be able to see two additional payments on their Parent Pay account.

These are entirely optional, but any contribution will help other families.

There is no pressure or judgment either way.

- You will see an option to make a voluntary contribution for another child to attend a residential. You can contribute between £1 and £250.
- You will see an option to make a voluntary contribution for another child's lunches. You can contribute between £1 and £450.

Anything you can give will help a family.

3 Do you need financial help?

1. Talk to us. Lots of people are struggling at the moment. There is no shame and no judgment. Request a meeting with one of the team by popping in, sending an email to info@reachacademy.org.uk, or calling the main office. If you do not want to disclose what the meeting is about please say that you would like a meeting about 'the newsletter' and the office team will discretely pass you through to the right person. **We will be able to help you.**

2. Contact the local authority. They have funding available for many things and have made it as easy as possible for you to access. Call the team on 020 8583 2000 or apply for a [Discretionary Local Crisis Payment here](#).

3. Visit the [Citizens Advice Bureau website](#) and find advice about various sources of funding and / or book an appointment to meet with someone face-to-face.



LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

In the Spring term, we will be hosting a series of parent workshops. The purpose of these workshops is to ensure that you are receiving information that will allow us to work together to keep your child/children safe. Therefore, it is really important that you are able to attend this workshop. We hope that by giving you lots of advance warning, you are able to make arrangements to attend this event.

Here is the schedule for the upcoming workshops:

Year Group	Parent Workshop	Date and Time	Where
Year 4	Let's Talk About Puberty	Wednesday 18th January 3:20 - 3:50pm	Drama Studio
Year 5	Let's Talk About Mental Health and Puberty	Wednesday 25th January 2023 3:20 - 3:50pm	Drama Studio
Year 2	Let's Talk About Friendships	Thursday 26th January 2023 3:20 - 3:50pm	Drama Studio

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

Year Group	Parent Workshop	Date and Time	Where
Year 1	Let's Talk About Health	Wednesday 1st February 2023 3:20 - 3:50pm	Drama Studio
Year 6	Let's Talk About Relationships and Consent	Monday 22nd May 2023 3:30-4:00 pm	Drama Studio

Please save the date in your diaries.

We have chosen topics for each year group depending on the issues we think are most relevant to that age group. However, if you would like to attend a workshop run by another year group, you are more than welcome to attend more than one workshop.

We think it is really important that we can have honest adult conversations about the above issues and create a space where you feel like you can ask the questions you would like to. As a result, we do not think it is appropriate for children to be present in the room (except toddlers).

All children in the year group will remain in the classroom with an adult from the year group supervising them. They will watch a film in a room, until the workshop is over. They will then be dismissed in the Main Hall.

If this is going to be a problem, or if you can't stay for the event, please flag it with your child's class teacher before the event.

If you would like to attend a workshop run by a different year group, please email Harpreet or Francesca directly so that we can arrange for your child to be supervised until the workshop is over.

E: harpreet.dhillon@reachacademy.org.uk

E: francesca.reid@reachacademy.org.uk

REACH FAMILY GROUP

Who comes to **Family Group**?

Family Group parents all share the same common goal of wanting the best for their child

We all want our children to be happy, to enjoy learning at school and, ultimately, to grow into independent, resilient adults.

That's what brings us all together in

Reach Family Group.

“ Coming to the group has made a real change. It's got us talking more, and listening to how each other feels. ”



Ask in school or visit our website

www.sfwfamilygroup.org



BOOK SWAP

Before Christmas, we launched the Book Swap Library as our Christmas gift to parents. Staff, parents and visitors are all welcome to take a book.

Books are for reading and returning, or keeping and replacing with a different book.

There are some magazines, cookbooks, non-fiction and fiction.

Please bring in any books you no longer need and we will use them to replenish the stock.



OPAL (OUTDOOR PLAY AND LEARNING)

This week we received our new shed to store loose parts for playtimes. Over the Spring Term, we will be asking for donations of the following loose items to fill the shed and provide the children with lots of opportunities for imaginative play. Each item will be safety checked by the premises team and full risk assessments will be carried out with the children for larger loose parts. We will also be inviting all primary parents in for an assembly to discuss the risk-benefit approach to the use of loose parts in play later in the Spring Term. Please keep an eye out for confirmation of the date and time of the assembly in upcoming newsletters and emails. We will be asking for donations to be brought to the assembly, however if you have any that you would like to donate in the meantime you can leave any donations under the OPAL team notice board on the wall to your left as you are leaving the primary playground via the primary gate. Thank you in advance for your support.

Fabricated	Sources
Astro turf off-cuts	Landscapers
Boards, old cabinet doors, panels	Parents, trades people
Bread, milk, bottle and grocery crates	Traders
Briefcases	Parents, charity shops
Buggles, pushchairs	Parents
Cable drums	Trades people
Cardboard boxes	Trades, deliveries, parents
Carpet samples	Carpet shops
Carpet squares	Carpet shops
Cuddly toys	Charity shops
Fabrics – all shapes and sizes	Parents, jumble sales, charity shops. fabric shops, markets
Foam pipe covers and noodles	Plumbers, pound shops
Guttering	Trades people, suppliers
Hoses	DIY stores, parents,
Keyboards	Computer companies, parents
Metal pots, pans, trays etc, especially catering sizes	Caterers, parents, Gumtree
Nets: fishing, cargo, football	Scrap stores, internet, football clubs
Office removal crates	Tea Crates Ltd, office movers
Old clothes, jackets, overalls, hats, bags	Parents, jumble sales, charity shops
Old household appliances, hoovers, fax machines, microwaves etc	Parents
One-ton dumpy bags	Builders
Pallets	Builders and builders' merchants, stores, parents
Phones	Phone companies, parents
Piping, gas, water and drainage	Trades people
Planks – decking, scaffolders (need sanding) (1m-2m)	DIY, builders' merchants, carpenters, builders
Plastic chairs with no legs	Schools and offices
Plastic road barriers	Highway firms, Border Barriers Ltd
Plastic trugs and bins	DIY stores and online
Ropes	Ships chandlers, online

OPAL (OUTDOOR PLAY AND LEARNING) CONTINUED...

As well as loose parts, we are also asking for further donations of old toys and household items for the playground. Please see the trash to treasure bingo sheet for Half Term 3 below. Once a class has ticked off all of the items on the Bingo sheet they will receive an extra playtime as a reward.

Trash to treasure HT3

 Old pushchairs (not toy ones)	 Cars	 Dinosaurs
 Soft suitcase	 Blankets	 Clean, empty plastic bottles

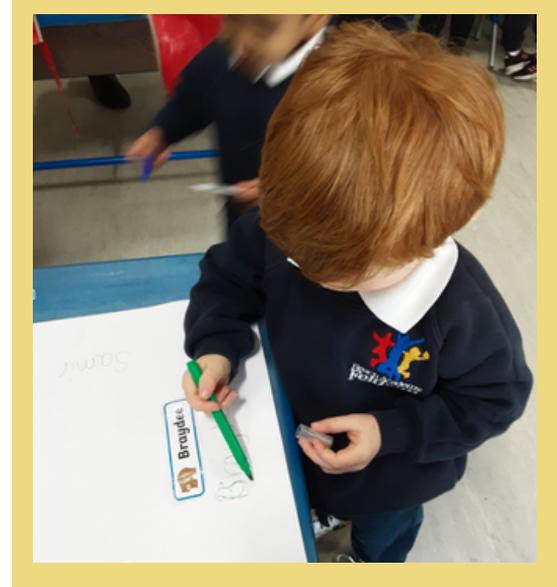
Finally, please enjoy some recent photos of your children enjoying playtimes.



NURSERY

We are so impressed with the Seedlings positive return to Nursery this week. They have been able to remember the routines and boundaries and have been excited to share their new books with families at home. It is important for the children to have exposure to various types of books and stories and we will complete the book change every Friday. As always, upload your pictures or videos to tapestry, we would love to see them. Happy Reading!

The Saplings have also made a positive start to the year in Nursery. This half term we have developed our self registration routine to include signing in. The children will be practicing holding a pen effectively and writing their names, using their letter links name label for support. We are continuing to develop our writing skills as we also try very hard to write our names on our pictures and creations and write shopping lists for our new Tesco role play.



Remember the deadline to apply for your child to start school in Reception in September 2023 is 15th January 2023. Please visit the Hounslow Website for more information https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/info/20028/primary_admissions.



RECEPTION

This week, we were visited by Hounslow dental services. They gave us a talk on the importance of brushing our teeth. We learnt that we must look after our milk teeth by brushing them twice a day for two minutes each time. We also learnt that if we don't look after our teeth by not brushing them properly or eating too much sugar, then this might cause decay and prevent our adult teeth from developing healthily. We practiced brushing a big set of teeth and identifying healthy and unhealthy foods.

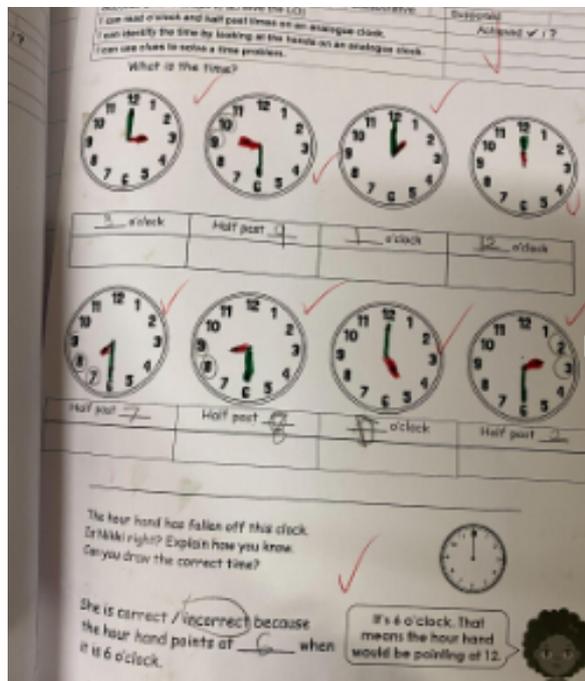
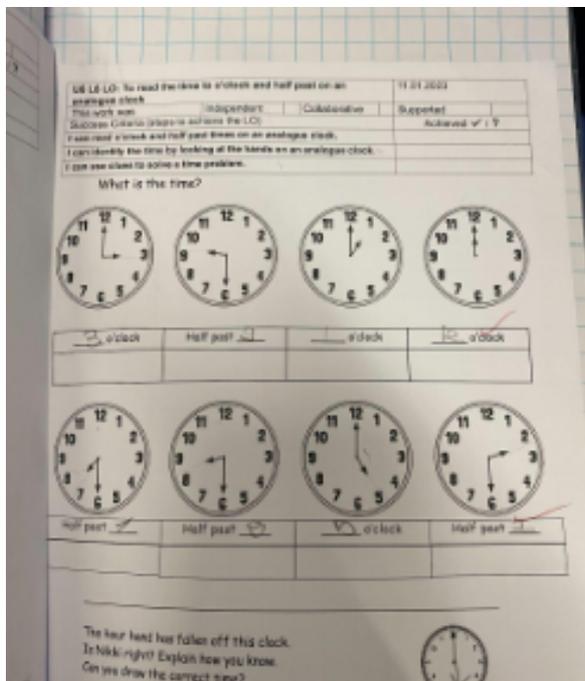
Some of us had fluoride toothpaste on our teeth. This is a special formula designed to protect our teeth. If you did not consent to this but have changed your mind, please speak to your dentist. If you need support with accessing a local dentist then please let us know.

We look forward to starting our supervised toothbrushing programme in the Spring term and brushing our teeth together at school. Please look out for the consent form for this. Happy Brushing!



YEAR 1

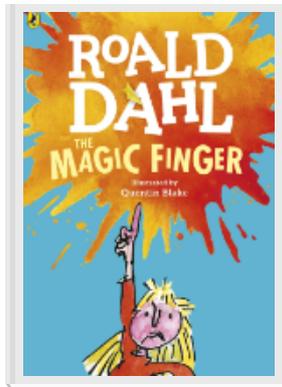
In Maths, we have started off the Spring term learning all about time. Children have been using mini clocks to identify O'Clock and Half Past. We have also been learning the difference between Midday and Midnight. Children were able to identify activities which happen at these times. For instance, children were able to explain that fireworks for New Years Eve would take place at Midnight because a new day starts at 12am in the middle of the night. At home, ask your child to tell you the time and explain how they know it is an O'clock or Half Past. For example, we know it is 3 O'Clock because the minute hand is pointing straight up and the hour hand is pointing directly to 3.



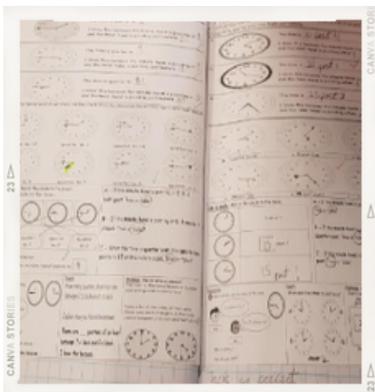
YEAR 2

Year 2 were so excited to come back to school after the Christmas break and have made a fantastic start to 2023! Last week, we had a visit from the dentist who taught the children some important information about their teeth. We learnt that our teeth need to be brushed twice a day for two minutes and that we shouldn't rinse toothpaste from our mouths with water after brushing. The dentist applied a fluoride toothpaste to some of the children's teeth which provides extra protection to the enamel and prevents tooth decay.

We have been practising how to write verbs in the present and past tense and learnt that some verbs are irregular and change completely when used in the past tense. We started writing a story about a new book called 'Stardust' and we are really enjoying the story so far! We have been practising writing expanded noun phrases (when 2 adjectives describe a noun) and using multiple conjunctions within our sentences to add information to our writing and make it more interesting.



Each book club group has also started reading new fiction stories by Roald Dahl called 'The Magic Finger' and 'Fantastic Mr Fox'. We have been learning about different reading genres within fiction and non-fiction texts and discussing the protagonists and antagonists of the stories.



In Maths, we have been learning all about time, recapping how to tell the time using an analogue clock, identifying o'clock, half-past, quarter past and quarter to. We then finished the unit by learning how to tell the time in intervals of five minutes.

In Science, we have learnt that light is a type of energy that travels in a straight line that travels in waves. In History, we have started our exciting unit about the Stone Age.

In PE, we have begun our unit on gymnastics, learning some basic moves which we performed safely on our gym mats.

YEAR 3

What a wonderful start to the Spring Term it has been in Year 3. All pupils have dived back into their learning with enthusiasm and determination. This term we are focusing on thinking ratio in the classroom. Thinking ratio is how much pupils are thinking hard in a lesson. We want our pupils to be have a high thinking ratio because, the more they think, the more knowledge will be transferring from their working memory to their long term memory. Ask your children about thinking ratio and how they have been using it in lessons so far this term.

We really enjoyed our PE lesson this week. We are progressing through a gymnastics unit and a football unit. Here are some pictures of children practising their dribbling skills - soft knees and light touches on the inside of their foot.



We started our new science unit with...hundreds and thousands and a drum. Our new unit is, sound. We proved how sound is vibrations by putting some hundreds and thousand on a drum and then making a low humming sound over the drum. The sound from our mouths made all of the hundreds and thousand vibrate, proving that sounds are vibrations!

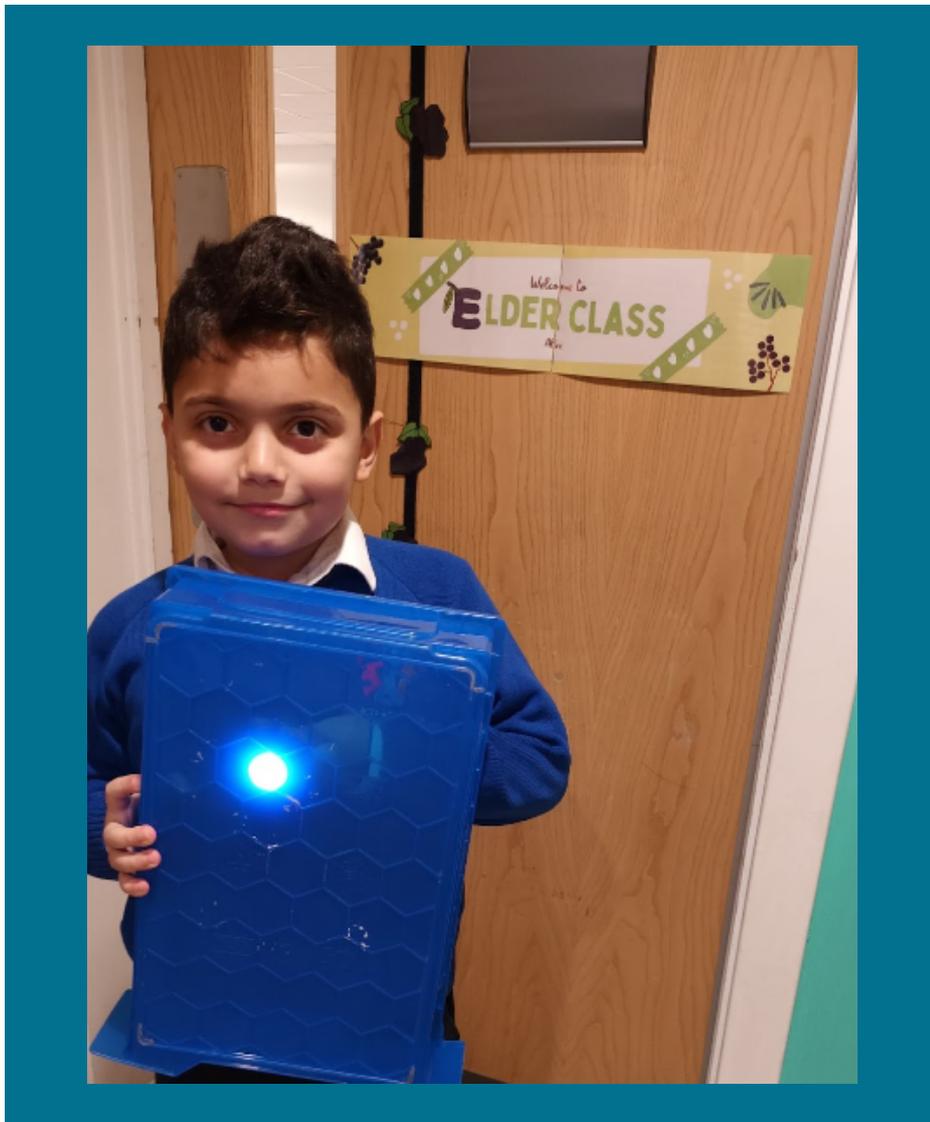
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We cannot wait for the rest of this term and all the fantastic learning your children in Year 3 will be doing!

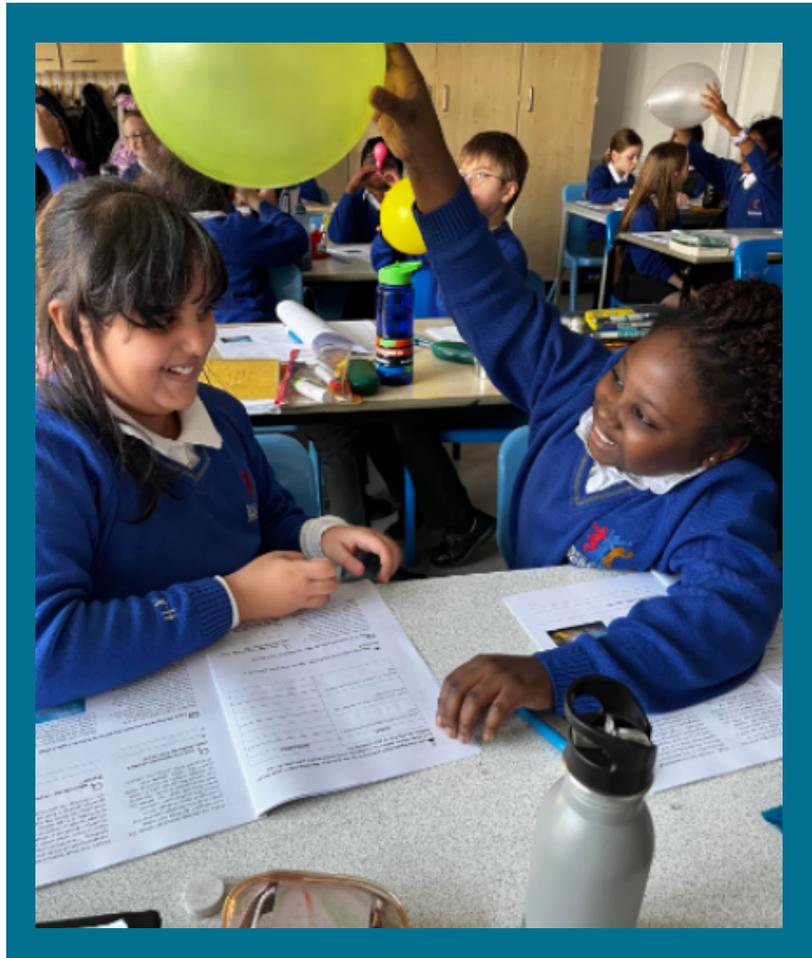
YEAR 4

Year 4 has started off the term by reading our new book, *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell. The story is set in the Amazon Rainforest so we spent the first part of the unit exploring the features of the rainforest. We are also writing our own pieces of adventure fiction in literacy based off the book. In our new science unit, we are learning about how light works, the children are enjoying our practical experiments on what objects light can pass through!



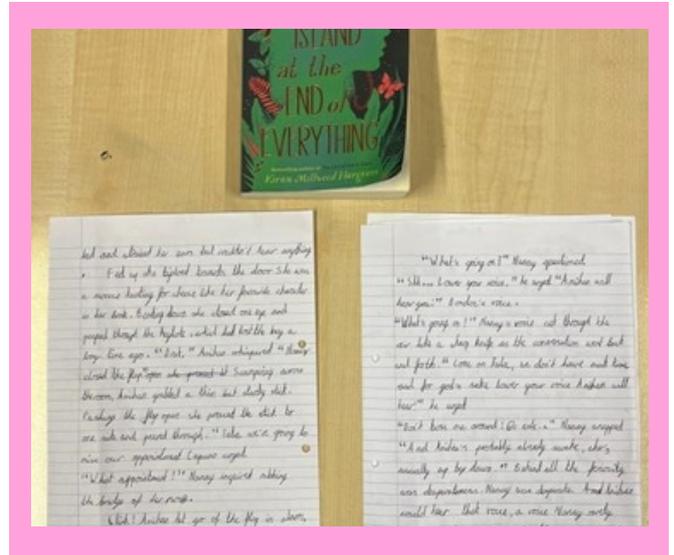
YEAR 5

Year 5 has had such an amazing start to the new term. Last week, we started our new unit in Science, where we are studying electrical circuits as part of our physics unit. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning all about static electricity and undergoing their own investigations of static energy by rubbing balloons against their clothes and heads. You can see Folafunmi and Hurleen completing this below.

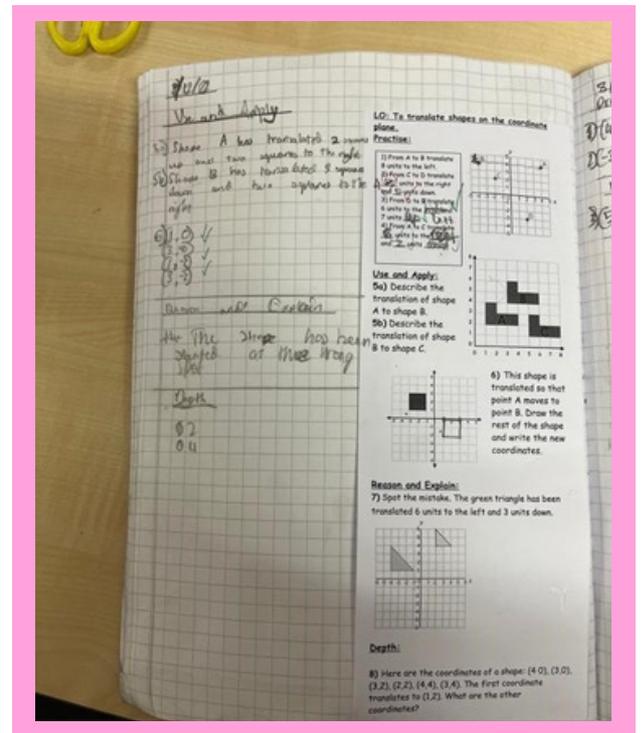


YEAR 6

In writing this unit, we have been creating a short story based on 'The Island at the End of Everything'. Take a look at this beautiful plan from [Keerthana](#). Students invented their own tropical island and characters taking inspiration from Culion Island in the Philippines. One of the main character's family members was afflicted by leprosy, just like in the story. They then announced the arrival of a visitor who came to deliver some bad news to the inhabitants. One or more of their characters were taken away and separated from their families. You can ask your child to read out their fabulous writing over the holidays.



In maths, we have been learning about coordinates and shapes. Year 6 are now experts at translating, reflecting and calculating coordinates. We have also developed our spatial awareness skills and are now able to create nets to build 3-dimensional shapes! Here is some great work from [Aarav](#).



In PE, students have been taking part in mini netball tournaments in their lessons and have been applying both attacking and defensive principles to produce some high quality matches. Hopefully, we can get some fixtures arranged for next term so all students can showcase their skills in a competitive fixture!

YEAR 7

Year 7 have had a calm and proactive start to Cycle 2. Students have shown enthusiasm for learning during lessons through their engagement and articulate responses. This term in Year 7, we would like to continue to focus on kindness. The Head of the River for each lesson will be given to the student(s) who shows kindness towards their peers and teachers. The Head of the River is awarded with 5 merits each lesson! In addition, we will be awarding a Kindness Hero at the end of every week - this student (1 per class) is the student who has consistently shown this value throughout the week. The sanction for unkindness in Y7 is Step 1 following investigation. Some ways kindness could be shown are: offering to lend a hand, being there to listen, praising and encouraging each other, keeping your learning space tidy and staying positive!

In English this week, we have been reading the novel we are focusing on this cycle, *Of Mice and Men*. We have been introduced to the characters who work on the ranch, and have started to use 'What, How, Why' paragraphs to analyse how these characters are presented.

Key dates:

Y7 Netball vs Gumley: Tuesday 17/01/23

Middlesex Cross Country: Thursday 19/01/22

Y7/8 Sportshall Athletics: Friday 27/01/23

Y7 Netball vs Lampton: Tuesday 31/01/23

A MASSIVE shoutout to the following students who are current wristband holders from Cycle 1. Can you make it onto this list by the end of Cycle 2?:

Platinum		Gold		Silver	
Leam	Thames	Leam	Thames	Leam	Thames
	Partryk	Eliza	Catlyn	Kallie	Daisy
	Lena	Willow	Austus	Halle	Sana
		Kaden	Jayda	Alan	Zulaykha
		Nihanya	Xavier	Amber	Christine
			Lorenzo	Riley	Brandon
			Bertie	Yara	Kayla
			Hannah	Shreyash	Andra
			Elias	David	Kayse
			Avneet	Ishaan	Anvita
			Calleigh	Zarlish	Nareen
			Tyler	DJ	Ananya
			Esther	Alex	
				Harlow	
				Tharuni	
				Sharun	
				Bikal	

YEAR 8

What a fantastic start to 2023! I am incredibly proud of our Year 8 teams and the attitude to learning over the first few days. The best way to show is through the amount of shout outs I have received just in the last week:

RS and History

Aron for excellent levels of endeavour in RS

Lexie for writing a great first draft on the significance of the Holocaust

Minza, Malak, Faizaan and Max for really good work in history and to Arsh for getting started on new work so quickly

Languages

Arsh who has never done Spanish before but is working so hard!

Ahmed, Alisha, Miriam, Steven, Malik, Salma and Lexie for endeavour in French lesson!

Eshan for being so helpful to Arsh in French and Spanish!

Calvin who has been asking lots of great questions in Spanish.

Max for endeavour - getting onto stretch questions and giving some great answers

Daniya, Sonia, Minza, Nicole Soraya and Laaibah for beautiful presentation in French and to Otto and Max for endeavour - both have started off the cycle with such hard work!

English

Asma, Elias, Omar and Malik for some amazing ideas whilst reading today!

Lexie for excellent questions and work completed in English

Liffey for a fantastic start! They always ask so many interesting questions!

Science

Team Derwent for an excellent science lesson, so engaged, so calm, so responsive.

The children who play football are demonstrating their incredible skills and excellent sportsmanship. Further shoutouts for being fantastic table monitors at lunchtime for David, Elias, Nicole, Salma and Minza. And Otto for being super polite all week!

Keep up the amazing work and continue to show the REACH values around school.

YEAR 8 Continued...



Notices

- **Parents' Evening on Wednesday 18th January 4PM-7PM. Please book meetings with teachers via Calendly.**
 - **Isle of Wight residential - please sign up to attend a short presentation during the event which will provide you with some insights into the activities and arrangements for the trip.**

YEAR 9

Y9 have had an excellent start to the term - their attitude to learning is truly exceptional!

Particular shoutouts:

- **Taff & Avon for excellent endeavour in English whilst studying Kafka's Metamorphosis**
- **Team Taff for being super focused in Maths on solving quadratics using graphs and expanding quadratics - lots of progress made!**
- **Andy and Yanal for outstanding commitment and participation in their French lessons this week**
- **Tanjia who has been aspiring in science putting her hand to share answers and completing loads of practise**

We have a lot of upcoming events over the next few months which you will be receiving more information about shortly. The first event to look forward to is our very first pupils vs parents quiz night 'Are you Smarter than a 13 year old?' which we will be hosting on 22nd February!

More information to come soon, but in the meantime you could start to brush up on your general knowledge!



YEAR 10

Y10 have had an exceptional start to their learning this term, with some particular shout outs shared below:

From Ryme:

SO to Clyde for such a productive revision lesson today! Special SO to Oskar, Yunus, Cathy, Blessing, Sumayah, Nathan, Gurmehr, Divjot and Rhyz for such incredible answers and participation in lessons.

From Julia:

SO for Connie, Adam, Hawar, Sarah, Adriel, Abid for great effort in bio today - keep putting the effort in!

Y10 exams take place next week - I wanted to share their exam timetable with you so you can support with any revision or preparation.

	16th Jan Monday	17th Jan Tuesday	18th Jan Wednesday	19th Jan Thursday	20th Jan Friday
P1		10Ds Chemistry (50min) 10Rf Biology 10Mo Physics		History - Conflict (60 mins) Geography - living with the physical environment. Section A and B (60 mins)	English language assessment (60 mins)
P2		Maths Paper 1 (45 mins) 10Ds Biology	10 Rf Chemistry (50min) 10Ds Physics		
BREAK					
P3		Literature assessment (60 mins)	Y10 Health and Fitness Synoptic Project - External C/W- 50 mins		10 Ds Chemistry Insert (30min)
P4			French/Spanish Reading (45 mins)		
LUNCH					
P5			Maths Paper 2 (45 mins)	10 Rf Chem Insert (30min) 10Ds Physics Insert	
P6		French/Spanish Listening (35 mins) Further Maths Paper (50 mins)			French/Spanish Writing (1 hour)

We are really looking forward to seeing their success, as they have worked so hard so far this year!

YEAR 11

Year 11 have returned from the holidays well refreshed and with a positive attitude, which has been noted by all their teachers! Teachers have been focusing on reviewing the mock exam results from the end of Cycle 1, and providing Year 11 with all the feedback and support they need to continue making great progress.

We have decided to split the Year 11 forms back into Foyle and Neath, which will be led by Phil and Sam- this will give students more consistency during form time, and more opportunities to compete against each other for rewards!

After school support sessions (Homework catch up, master classes, revision sessions) will continue to run- we encourage all the Year 11s to be engaging with these, and using this support as part of their revision timetables.



SIXTH FORM

January has been an exciting month for the pupils of Feltham College as university offers are pouring in. Our pupils have applied for various university degree courses such as Astrophysics, Business Management, Psychology, Engineering, and many more! So far pupils have received offers from outstanding universities such as UCL, Bristol, and Royal Holloway. The final deadline for UCAS applications is the 25th of January and we look forward to sharing the news of many other university offers over the coming months.

This week we hosted the first of the Feltham College Lecture series which will be taking place every Wednesday for the remainder of the academic year. Each week we host a different university academic to deliver university-style lectures to our pupils. This week we hosted Dr. Neveen Abdalla who is a lecturer in International Relations, Defence, and Security and she delivered a compelling lecture on 'Changing Vectors in Terrorism'. Next week we will be hosting Dr Gareth Dale who is the Associate Head of Social and Political Sciences at Brunel University. Dr Dale will be delivering a lecture for pupils on 'What is Money?'.

The fun never stops at Feltham College as Year 12 will be sitting their AP2 exams next week. These internal assessments provide valuable insight into how the pupils are progressing in their subjects. As ever pupils should ensure they are getting a good nights sleep every evening and are using their independent study time wisely to ensure they perform at their best in these exams. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like to know more about how you can support your child during these assessment periods.



SPORTING EVENTS



Our Y5/6 Football team played their first game of the season in October against a good Oak Hill side in tough conditions. Reach went 1-0 and 3-1 down and showed great endeavour and courage to score 2 late goals to come back and draw 3-3.

Y3-6 Boccia Competition at Reach

We hosted our first inclusive tournament of the year for students in years 3-6. Students took part in 5 games, winning two of them and drawing one. A big shoutout to our year 9 sports leaders from Eden who did an amazing job of assisting and officiating the event.



SPORTING EVENTS CONTINUED...



Our first competition of the year was a Y1 multi-skills event in September. A group of 10 students who were identified as having made a great start in their core PE lessons were selected and they did an amazing job of representing the Academy. The students came in the top 5 out of over 15 schools!

We hosted an indoor athletics competition at Reach in November and our Y5/6 students came second out of ten schools. We won 4 races and came second in the other 4 we competed in. Events included sprints, relays and field events. The main value on show was definitely have fun! Also a big shoutout to our sports leaders from 9Avon who helped support, officiate and run the competition alongside Sport Impact.



SPORTING EVENTS CONTINUED...



We attended the cross country championships at Osterley Park in October with students from a range of phase 2 classes. All students displayed the value of show courage as they all ran long distances in windy conditions and long grass! A special mention to one of our students who placed 24th out of over 100 runners!

We also took a group of secondary students to the cross country championships, highlighting our unique all-through school environment. Our secondary students all performed heroically in the tough conditions and Daniella Whittaker 10 Eden even placed 10th and qualified to represent Hounslow at the Middlesex Trials on Thursday 19th January 2023 at Harrow School. We wish her good luck!



SPORTING EVENTS CONTINUED...



On Thursday 24th November the Y8/9 Girls Football team had their first fixture against The Green School in Isleworth. The girls were playing in their first ever fixture- many lessons were learnt and their showed courage and endeavour throughout the match. Despite the final result we have learnt a lot and will take this into our next match on 24/01/23 vs Cranford.

PUPIL VOICE FEEDBACK

Last term, the Pupil Voice groups met to discuss the food at Reach Academy.

Here's what came out of the meetings, and what we are going to do moving forwards!

You Said!	We Did!
Increase portion sizes	More food is now available for each Year Group from Y5 upwards
Include a greater variety of desserts as they have been getting repetitive	Across our 15 day menu, there are now 13 different desserts compared to 11 last term
We would like to be able to add salt to the food	The Department for Education's food standards guide advises that schools must not provide salt to add to food after it has been cooked
Students would like couscous and the Apple crumble back on the menu	Both of these things are back on this term's menu!
Packed lunch portions are too small	The current sandwich, cake and fruit offer has been amended to a sub roll, a cake, 2 pieces of fruit and a pack of crisps

REACH CHILDREN'S HUB WORKSHOPS



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**Supporting your child's
happy eating**

Thursday 19th January

9:30-11:00

or

1:30-3:00

Both @ Hub room
next to the library

**Supporting your child's
speech and language**

Thursday 2nd February

9:30-11:00 @ Hub room

next to Feltham Library

or

1:30-3:00 @ Reach

Academy drama studio

Contact Jennie to book a place or scan the QR code:
jennie.tweedy@reachfoundation.org.uk

TALKING TEENS WORKSHOPS

How the Talking Teens Parent Group has helped other parents

"I realised that you're really needed as a parent even if your teenager behaves otherwise"

"I'm doing a better job than I thought I was"

"I like the time for discussion during the sessions"

"It has been really interesting and informative, both leaders great and lovely approach, felt very relaxed"

The Nurturing Programme Talking Teens Parent Group

Where:

Belvedere House Resource Centre
Lemon Grove
TW134DH

When:

Start date to be confirmed will be on a Wednesday afternoon after the February half term

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Talking Teens Parent Group

Information for parents and carers



check out familylinks.org.uk/Parents



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TALKING TEENS WORKSHOPS CONTINUED...

What is Talking Teens?

Teenagers are rewarding, stimulating and fun, but being a parent of one can be stressful and challenging.

The Talking Teens Parent Group helps deal with those challenges so you can have a calmer, happier family life.

A tried and tested Programme, it helps us think about what we do, why we do it and how it makes us feel and looks at questions that many parents have, like:

How can I stop my child always getting the last word?

Why do they always sleep in so late?

Can I do anything to help them argue less?

What's normal?

Why don't they want to tell me how they're feeling?

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an adult

The Four Sessions

- 1: Being a parent of a teenager;
The role of parents for teenagers;
Responding to difficult feelings
- 2: Understanding your teenager;
Understanding teenage development;
Parenting styles; Praise and criticism
- 3: Communicating with your teenager;
Talking and listening; Communicating clearly;
Handling difficult issues
- 4: Managing conflict;
Rules and boundaries;
Choosing how to respond;
Problem solving

Practical information

There are four 2-hour sessions over four weeks

10-20 parents are invited and there are two Family Links trained group leaders

Partners are welcome and it's also fine to come on your own or with another relative or friend

You'll get the most out of the Programme if you come to all four sessions.

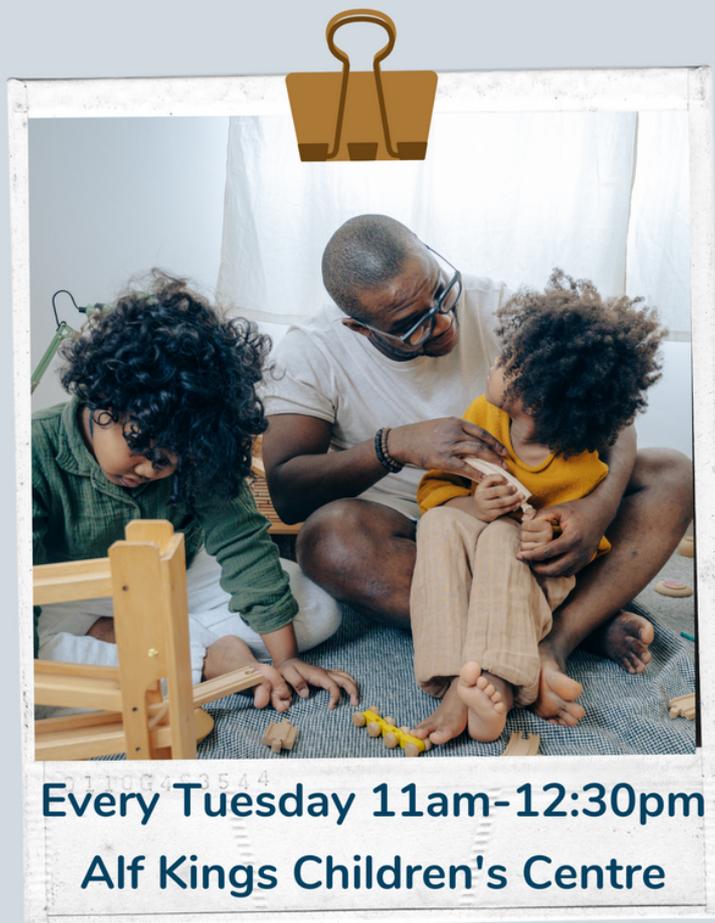
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E-SCOOTER MESSAGE FOR SCHOOLS AND PARENTS

In the run up to the holidays, please can families be reminded that electric scooters remain illegal to ride in public spaces (on roads and pavements) despite being available to purchase in many well-known retailers. They are still an unregulated vehicle so should not be used for the journey to school or be ridden with children in tow. For this reason, we also ask that parents and guardians are warned against purchasing electric scooters over the Christmas period as they run the risk of being fined and the vehicle being seized by the police. The only legal e-scooters in London are available to hire as part of Transport for London's trial in participating boroughs, operated by Dott, Lime and Tier as these adhere to stringent safety requirements.

Zahra Ali | Transport Projects Officer | Transport Planning & Road Safety

HOT SHOWERS

We have become aware of an initiative in Essex promoting access to free use of hot showers at leisure centres for people unable to avoid their energy bills due to the cost of living crisis. Hygiene poverty is an issue being exacerbated by the cost of living crisis and leads to shame, humiliation and social isolation. If any schools where there are shower facilities want to provide access to pupils who might not be able to shower at home, we would be able to promote this alongside the [Warm Spaces](#) and other support available to residents this winter. If you are thinking about putting an initiative in place please contact romilly.mavin@hounslow.gov.uk.

Romilly Mavin - Policy and Partnership Officer | Community Solutions

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