

Newsletter December 2023



NEWS FROM THE OFFICE...

Dear parents and carers,

What a busy November we had! Children in Need, Anti-Bullying week and lots of trips and visits for the children meant the school was a hive of activity which was great to see. The children had the opportunity to decorate their classrooms on Friday which they really enjoyed and as I write this the children in F2 are busy practising for the Christmas production. It really does get you in the Christmas spirit! The Christmas productions will take place on the 12th and 13th December for KS1 with the dress rehearsal on the 11th at 10.00am. In EYFS the production

is on the 14th with the dress rehearsal on the 13th. The children are so excited and are busy learning their lines and singing their songs for the special day. We will end the term with our annual carol concert in school on Wednesday the 20th December, the last day of term. I would like to take this opportunity of wishing a happy Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Kelly

Headteacher



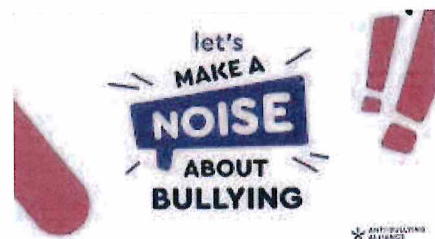
Anti-Bullying Week

Mrs Gray writes...

We had a brilliant anti-bullying week this year, with each year group having a specific focus. Year 3 explored how bullying can be targeted at specific groups, Year 4 focused on the difference between 'Banter' and 'Bullying', Year 5 explored the roles played within bullying as a group dynamic and Year 6 looked at trolling and cyberbullying and the impact that this can have on a persons' wellbeing. Our

Riseparkers fully understand the definition of bullying and that it is **intentional, repetitive and hurtful**. Our anti-bullying governor, Mrs Commander had a great insight into the excellent work our pupils did when she visited lessons and Mrs Gray was extremely proud of how confidently our pupils talked about bullying and what they had learnt. We will continue focusing on specific key vocabulary linked to the roles played within bullying such as 'Target', 'Ringleader',

'Reinforcer', 'Defender', 'Bystander' and 'Outsider'. We all reinforced the key message of reaching out and 'making a noise' about bullying, and **never** being a bystander.



Polite Notice

Please can I remind you that the staff are always available to speak to you at the end of the day if you have any queries or questions that you may need answering. However, they will only do this after they have dismissed the children. Similarly, they may ask to speak to you at the end of the day, could I ask that you be patient with us until all the children have been dismissed. Many thanks for your continued support.

Attendance

Please remember that it is schools policy to telephone the school before 9am to inform us if your child is absent, you can also e-mail us at admin@risepark.nottingham.sch.uk

Parental Engagement...

Mrs Lamb writes...

What a busy term we have had with lots of opportunities for parental engagement and community spirit.

Thank you all for your kind donations for children in need. We managed to raise £394.71 which is now on its way to the charity! Well done school council, you organised a fabulous day.

Our first Craft hour started on Friday 1st December and was a huge success! This will run for 3 Fridays and we will be making lots of Christmas Crafts. Due to the popularity of this event, we will be holding further craft sessions in the spring term.

It's now candy time! Time to spread some holiday cheer! Candy canes will be on sale from tomorrow underneath the canopy before school and during break time. The children can send a candy cane with a message to other children around school or parents can send them to their children. They will be delivered to the children during the school day and they

will bring them home with them. The candy canes will cost 50p each.

Our next workshop is on Wednesday 17th January. The sessions are called Robots and Coding. This is great opportunity to work with your child whilst you both further develop knowledge and understanding around IT. The sessions run for 4 weeks and will start at 9.00am. Please e-mail

admin@risepark.nottingham.sch.uk to express your interest. The sessions are run by life education and are fully funded. Look out for more information closer to the time.

Our monthly coffee morning still continues on the last Thursday of the month. Parents are able to enjoy a hot and cold breakfast whilst chatting to other parents. These events are important for parents to express their views about what they would like to see available in school. Often, we have professionals that attend in order to share information with parents. Our next coffee morning will

be held on Thursday 28th January. I look forward to seeing you there!

If you have any ideas on events that you would like to see in school or you require support for yourselves, your child or family, please do not hesitate to contact me and call in for a coffee and a chat!

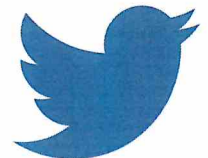


Dinner money , breakfast Club and Nursery Fees

Please can I remind you that Dinners, Breakfast Club and Nursery Fees must be paid for in advance. Unfortunately we cannot allow dinners to be taken without payment in advance, similarly the service we provide in breakfast club and Nursery. May I thank you for supporting us with this matter.

Twitter

Please remember to follow us on Twitter @RiseParkSchool for regular posts about what your child is learning in school.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

Dec 4th - Year 1 and 2 Curriculum Showcase
 Dec 5th - Year 4 and 6 Curriculum Showcase
 Dec 6th - Reception Storyteller
 Dec 7th - Year 3 and 5 Curriculum Showcase
 Dec 11th - KS1 Production 10.00am dress rehearsal
 Dec 12th - KS1 Production 10.00am and 2.00pm
 Dec 13th - EYFS Production 10.00am dress rehearsal
 Dec 14th - EYFS Production 10.00am and 2.00pm

Dec 18th - Nursery, Reception and Year 1 Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
 Dec 19th - Year 2 - Year 6 Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
 Dec 19th - Nursery Stay and Play 2.00pm
 Dec 20th - Last Day of Term (School open)
 Dec 21st - School closed for Christmas Holidays
 4th January - School Re-opens

