Newsletter

March 2022



It was lovely to see so many parents/carers during our recent parents evening. Many of you commented on how nice it was to be able to look through the children's books again. Have a lovely Easter break and hopefully we will have the same beautiful weather we have been enjoying recently.

Take care and stay safe.

Mr Deanus.





Value of the Month Appreciation

- Saying thank you
- Letting someone know when they have done something good
 - Looking for a positive in everything



PARENT SESSIONS IN SCHOOL

On Wednesday the 9th of March 2022, we welcomed parents back in school to introduce our link worker, Meena Parmar, from the Early Support services. Parents who attended the session have given a positive feedback, so we will be trying to arrange more parent sessions in the future.

If you have any queries regarding adult courses or sessions, please email Mrs Anwer on parentpartnership@roxeth.harrow.sch.uk



ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Received March 2022

Class Infants	Attendance %	Class Juniors	Attendance %	Achievement Award date
1B	99.0	4DS	97.8	04/03/22
RAS	100.0	3M	98.3	11/03/22
1A	97.0	3FR	97.7	18/03/22
2G	98.3	4K	97.3	31/03/22

From 1ST April the Government changes managing Covid-19. Children should remain at home if they are unwell with a repertory infection and who have a high temperature and unwell. Children are advised to self--isolate for 3 days after a positive LFT or PCR test. The tests are no longer free so please see the gov.uk website for advice how to obtain them local chemists will be making a charge.

Adults who test positive will continue to be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days. Again, as long as they are well enough they can safely return to their normal routine. Those who test positive should avoid contact with anyone in an at-risk group, including if they live in the same household. We have had a rise in confirmed Covid cases this week with 5 children absent and 5 staff. We hope this improves as the weather becomes warmer. It is important to still report any positive test results on the government website and send the screen shot to the office email. Online learning will then be set up on Google Classroom 24 hours later if your child is well enough to complete.

Please note we are due to receive further guidance from the Dfe shortly so the information above is subject to change. We will obviously inform you about any changes as soon as possible.

If you need to take your child out of school for an emergency reason a leave of absence form needs to be completed to request permission from Mr Deanus. If your child has a medical appointment, we need to see evidence of the appointment to take a child out of school from the school office. Please always request in advance as it is disruptive to staff otherwise, Permission will only be granted for compassionate leave in exceptional circumstances such as bereavement of a close family member. The leave of absence form can be picked up from the school office. Each case is assessed and so you are aware no authorised leave is permitted if attendance falls below 95% or during a SATs year in year 2 & 6. Any unauthorised leave could incur an Educational Penalty Notice fine of £60 per child & each parent. We have to follow Government guidance on Attendance to get back on track after the Pandemic and we appreciate your co-operation in this matter maintaining good attendance. Now Covid attendance is classed as an illness this will be reflected on your child's reports.

YEAR 5 & 6 FOOTBALL TEAM

On Wednesday 16th March Mr Deanus and Mr Smith took a Year 5 and 6 football team to a special tournament arranged by Harrow School. When we arrived the boys were greeted with goody bags provided by Harrow School and one of the polite boys from the school led us to the pitches for the tournament. The weather was terrible and the heavy rain continued to fall during the entire tournament. However, the boys did not complain about this once, as they focused on the opposition.

Roxeth v Horsenden

The first match saw us up against the strongest team in our group. In difficult conditions the boys defended the goal excellently and battled for their team mates. Haris made some vital saves that prevented them from scoring lots of goals in the first half. Jaame, Arjun and Shaheer made some vital blocks too but eventually the opposition scored a goal before half time. In the second half we continued to defend apart from the odd break away with our pacey forward Micah. The opposition played some quality passes and eventually won the match comfortably.

Roxeth v Elsley

The second match proved to be a bit closer. Despite not being able to score it was very encouraging to see the boys getting used to the conditions and positions. Some particular good passing between Benaia in the centre of midfield and our wingers Noah, Idrees, Moufid and Giuseppe helped us to set up a number of chances. Both Schools in the first half had chances but unfortunately we could not convert. Towards the end of the match the opposition scored some quick goals to win.

Roxeth v Vaughan

The last match was definitely the most exciting of the tournament. After going 1 nil down against the run of play the boys showed determination and character to get back in the game. Two excellent, well taken goals from Micah put us in a winning position for the first time. Unfortunately, the boys conceded another 2 quick goals against them whilst they were pushing for a third goal. The boys lost in the end but Mr Deanus was very proud of them for never giving up. This match had also shown how much they had improved as a team and had developed their own football skills and understanding of the game.

By the end of the tournament the boys were completely soaked but still smiling. Well done to the following boys: Benaia, Shaheer, Haris, Idrees, Moufid, Arjun, Giuseppe, Jaame, Noah, Micah.

A special mention goes to player of the tournament Haris, for being an amazing gaolie and for his efforts as a defender. I would also like to add a special mention to Benaia as captain, who never stopped running and working for the team.

FOOTBALL

On Monday 28th March, Mr Deanus and Mr Smith took the year 6 boys football team to compete in a tournament at The Hive, Barnet. The team were excited to compete knowing that there was an opportunity to win a shield and medal at the end of the tournament. When we arrived at the stadium the weather could not have been more perfect to play in. It was mild and sunny (which was very much welcome after our previous fixtures in the pouring rain). After getting warmed up all of the schools were brought together and welcomed by the organisers of the tournament. It was fantastic to see lots of schools in the Harrow community brought together after such a long absence. The tournament consisted of 6 matches per team, each match lasting 10 minutes.

Mr Deanus and Mr Smith were very impressed by the talent on show at the tournament from both Roxeth and the rest of competing teams. It was fantastic to see the range of different skills on show from lobbed goals, free-kicks and excellent passing. It was not only the talent that was impressive however. Roxeth's positive attitude and commitment to learning and improving in the tournament was exceptional throughout with some of the highlights explained below.

Our first game against Belmont started off very promisingly with Roxeth having most of the possession and putting together some fantastic spells of passing. One attack between Giuseppe, Haris and Benaia particularly stood out. It was fantastic to see that the boys were starting to work well as a team.

Our next fixture was against Krishna Avanti, the team who would eventually go on to be champions. We put in a spirted performance from the start with some good defending from Shaheer and Jaame. Sadly it wasn't enough on this occasion. Avanti kept persisting with their attacks to eventually break the deadlock and win the game.

Our Final Game was against Whitefriars, I'd like to highlight Sudais for showing great goalkeeper skills by getting his hand across to try and save a very powerful penalty.

The boys involved were as follows, Sudais, Jaame, Nilana, Shaheer, Benaia, Giuseppe, Zaid, Idrees, Haris, Moufid and Hanzalah.

Well done boys, you have once again proved you are fantastic Roxeth Ambassadors!



On Tuesday 22nd March, Y5 gathered in the hall to watch an actor from the Primary Shakespeare Company perform the story of Macbeth. Macbeth is a play written by Shakespeare about a Scottish general named Macbeth who becomes consumed by his ambition to become the King of Scotland. We were captivated by the details throughout the story, shocked by the events that happened with Macbeth and excited to learn more about this play next term. Look out for more details on our Y5 Macbeth learning after the Easter Holidays!





EASTER ASSEMBLY

ReGen, a Christian Schools Work Trust which has been working in local schools across Harrow since 1984, performed a lovely Easter assembly at Roxeth on Wednesday 30th March. The staff and children were engrossed in listening to the true meaning of Easter. They found out that Easter is one of the most important festivals in the Christian calendar. It celebrates Jesus rising from the dead - this is called a resurrection. Through his resurrection, Christians believe, Jesus overcame death and sin and could offer a promise of eternal life.

ReGen explored the Easter story in a fun, modern and relevant way. Children who wondered what Easter eggs have to do with Easter found out that an egg is a symbol of new life and could be used as a symbol for the resurrection of Jesus. Today most Easter eggs are made from chocolate and covered in foil. Wishing everyone who celebrates Easter 'Happy and peaceful Easter'.



WORLD BOOK DAY

Thank you to all the children and staff for their inventive and wonderful costumes to celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March 2022.

There was lots of prizes for children with their best costumes and everyone enjoyed their day dressed as their favourite character.



Each class wrote a story around an object that their teacher brought into school and we ended up publishing two fantastic stories – one for infants and one for juniors.

Each class also made a book trailer of their favourite book that they have read this year. A huge well done to 1A and 5G for their fantastic trailer!



ROXETH COMMUNITY CLUB

Congratulations to Pearl and Rion for their contribution to the competition to renaming and new logo for the new Roxeth Community Club.



HOLI ASSEMBLY

Recently Jenish, Krish, Vidhi and Priya children from Juniors took part in an assembly about Holi, a Hindu Spring festival. Holi took place on the $18^{\rm th}$ and $19^{\rm th}$ of February this year. They talked about the religious significance of Holi, namely the legend of Holika and Prahlad.

Using a power point and an animated clip they retold the story of Holika and Prahlad. Prahlad was a prince. His father, the King, wanted everyone in his kingdom to worship him. Prahlad refused and worshipped Lord Vishnu instead. This angered the King. The king's sister Holika, who was fireproof, tricked her nephew Prahlad into sitting on her lap in a bonfire in order to destroy him but the plan failed! Prahlad was unharmed whilst Holika was destroyed by the flames. Good always triumphs over evil!

From then on people celebrate Holi with a Holika bonfire on the night before Holi. People sing and dance around the fire and roast grains, popcorn and coconut around it. They also throw chickpeas on the fire. Last year's rubbish is burnt to show new beginnings.

The celebrations carry on the next day with a carnival of colours. People play, chase each other with dry powder and coloured water. Some people carry water guns and water balloons filled with coloured water, ready for a water fight. People sing, dance and have fun together. Sofia, Sia, Deeva, Priya, and Mahi preformed a dance to commemorate the joyous colourful festival of Holi.





3M's ASSEMBLY

The value of the month for April was 'Appreciation' and 3M presented an assembly that explored the meaning of 'Appreciation'. It is recognising and enjoying the good qualities of someone or something.

3M are really grateful for the people and even things in their lives. Who or what are they? Some children talked about their mums and how they were grateful for all the marvellous things that their mums did for them including cooking delicious meals, driving them around and helping with their homework!

Some children talked lovingly about their dads and how they are thankful for all the things that their dads do. Did you know that dads are personal cab drivers ...taking their children to and from schools and other exciting places??

A few children from 3M focussed on how appreciative they were of their families who gave them a happy and safe home filled with fun and laughter. Others talked about their lovely friends, in and out of school. These friends are kind, caring and helpful.

We can also appreciate the pets that we have in our lives because they bring us so much happiness and contentment. Some children happily shared their thoughts about their cats, dogs and furry hamsters!

What about all the toys and games that we are lucky enough to have in our homes? Some children showed us pictures of their favourite toys and games and spoke about how thankful they are for them!

3M and Juniors reflected on how we can show the people in our lives how thankful we are to them. We can say 'Thank you', we can listen to them, show our love and respect for them, help them with chores around the house and sometimes just do something nice for them!



2R CLASS ASSEMBLY

2R performed their class assembly which was all about Lent. The children discussed the Christian story of Jesus in the desert and how he was tempted to make the wrong choices. During the assembly, the children talked about different things some Christians give up during the month of Lent for example, watching TV, eating chocolate or drinking fizzy drinks. It was a story that also promotes making good choices during the month which all the children learnt from. The assembly ended with a child from each class flipping a pancake!







YEAR 2

In Year 2, we have been making a scientific enquiry about different types of steps. We went outside and explored hopping, running, walking and skipping. We made sure we did a fair test by keeping the distance the same. We also looked at what makes Hussain Bolt run fast. So we tested our reactions on how fast we can react to catching a strip of paper. It was super fun.



EVERYONE ACTIVE

Everyone Active is now delivering Football Sports Courses at Bannisters Sports Centre for anyone 2-11yrs,

For more information check out the Everyone Active Website https://www.everyoneactive.com/centre/bannister-outdoor-sports-centre/ or call 0208 428 7931



To book online, visit everyoneactive.com or call 0208 428 7931



SHAPE UP HARROW

Shape Up Harrow is a **FREE** 12-week weight management course for Harrow residents with a BMI of 30 or greater. Sessions are 90 minutes long and run weekly at Whitmore High School. There is also app based support for people who would prefer this.

To sign up go to our website www.shapeupharrow.com or for more information contact shanae.francois@watfordfc.com





DGEBALL

FREE trial for your child!

Age group: Under 11's

When? Wednesday 23/02/2022

Time? 5:00 - 6:00pm

Where? Harrow Leisure Centre

(Christchurch Ave, Harrow HA3 5BD)

In collaboration with



Launch promotion enquiries:



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ODGEBALL

FREE trial for your child!

Age group: Under 15's

When? Wednesday 23/02/2022

Time? 5:00 - 6:00pm

Where? Harrow Leisure Centre

(Christchurch Ave, Harrow HA3 5BD)

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