

# Newsletter

December 2021



Dear Parents and carers,

It has been lovely to see all the children attend school for a whole term without any disruption.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Christmas Fair this year. We were certainly very busy and I know the RSA appreciated your support.

As cases continue to increase I am sure many of you are thinking about the return to school and what this may look like. At the moment we plan to come back as normal. If this changes we will obviously let you know as soon as possible.

In the meantime, I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Have a lovely and relaxing break.

Take care and stay safe.  
Mr Deanus



## Poppy Appeal

A big thank you to you all for supporting our Poppy appeal. As a school we raised **£454.57p** which is a fantastic achievement.



Value of the Month

## December Responsibility



- Being reliable
- Being dependable
- Putting things right if there is a problem

## Winter Coat

Please ensure your child is coming to school with a winter coat on as it is very cold.



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## Welfare Message

Dear Parents/carers,

I hope my message finds you all safe and well!



Thank you for booking lunches on time and checking lost property for personal items before the Christmas holidays! All unnamed items that are remaining will be donated to charity. Lunch bookings for the first week back in January closed on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm. Please provide a packed lunch for the first week back if you did not manage to book school lunches for your child. You can check this under the History section of your child's Eduspot log in.

Flu vaccines were only given to the children whose parent/carer had given consent for via the link on the letter emailed out by the front office to all parents/carers on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Flu vaccines were given on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021 to the children the Harrow Immunisations Team received consent for. If you missed the consent deadline and would like the flu vaccine for your child, you now need to ring the Harrow Immunisation Team on 0208 102 6333 to book an appointment with them directly.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a merry Christmas and happy, healthy and prosperous new year!

Kind regards  
Mrs Vagadia  
Welfare Officer



## Barnet FC

On Thursday 2nd December, Year 4 had a Q & A session with two first team members of the Barnet FC squad: Midfielder Sam Granville and Defensive Midfielder Sam Woods. The children were given a fascinating insight into the lives of professional footballers, nutrition, fitness and what it feels like to prepare for a big match. Thanks to Barnet FC for their community link with the school, as well as one of Barnet FC's Brand Ambassadors, Stephen Brown, who runs the Stephen Brown Foundation, who donated an Amazon Fire tablet to the school as part of the programme.





## Attendance

### Attendance Awards Received DECEMBER 2021

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Achievement Award date
<b>Infants</b>		<b>Juniors</b>		
RS	96.8	5B	97.0	03.12.21
2R	97.2	59	97.0	08.12.21
2G	98.4	6P	98.3	17.12.21

If your child has Covid confirmed by a PCR test you must keep your child at home for 10 days, the whole family do not need to self-isolate for 10 days anymore unless they have Covid confirmed or symptoms It is important for the whole family to arrange a PCR test if a close contact has Covid. This does not affect your child's attendance so you are aware self-isolating is coded separately for reporting to the DFE.

It is important to inform the school on the first day of absence with the type of absence your child has particularly, if they have Covid symptoms which now can be just a cold. Please ring the welfare option at school or email [welfare@roxeth.harrow.sch.uk](mailto:welfare@roxeth.harrow.sch.uk). The South Harrow Covid walk in centre can be accessed for a PCR test for any child or adult with cold like symptoms just pop in or book online.

Please keep taking the twice weekly LFD tests. These can be ordered from the website below or picked up from local chemists. The new type of LFD test is only for a nasal swab now. Please report the results on the NHS website below. PCR tests can also be ordered online see the links below: -

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>  
<https://test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/report-result/login-choice>  
<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>



Please request permission in advance if your child is likely to be taking leave of absence from school. Permission will only be granted for compassionate leave in exceptional circumstances such as bereavement of a close family member. This must be requested in advance to Mr Deanus on the form which you can pick 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 SATs in year 2 & 6. Any unauthorised leave could incur an **Educational Penalty Notice** fine of £60 per child & each parent. We appreciate your co-operation by not requesting leave of absence at this time. Children have missed 22 weeks of their education through lockdown over the last 18 months. We do understand families have missed out on traveling to see families in their homelands but we have to follow Government guidance on Attendance and with tighter travel restrictions we do not want children stranded abroad in January as some families were last January.

School closes for the Christmas break at 2pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December and resumes on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

We wish you all a good break and a healthy and Happy New Year.





# Breakfast Club

The Breakfast Club have been getting in the festive spirit enjoying a Christmas breakfast and decorating Ginger Bread Houses! Merry Christmas!





# Wizard Theatre

Every year we always welcome back the tremendous Wizard Theatre Company for their annual show. This year we were lucky enough to watch Wind in the Willows. The acting was amazing and the songs were really engaging.



## Christmas Assembly

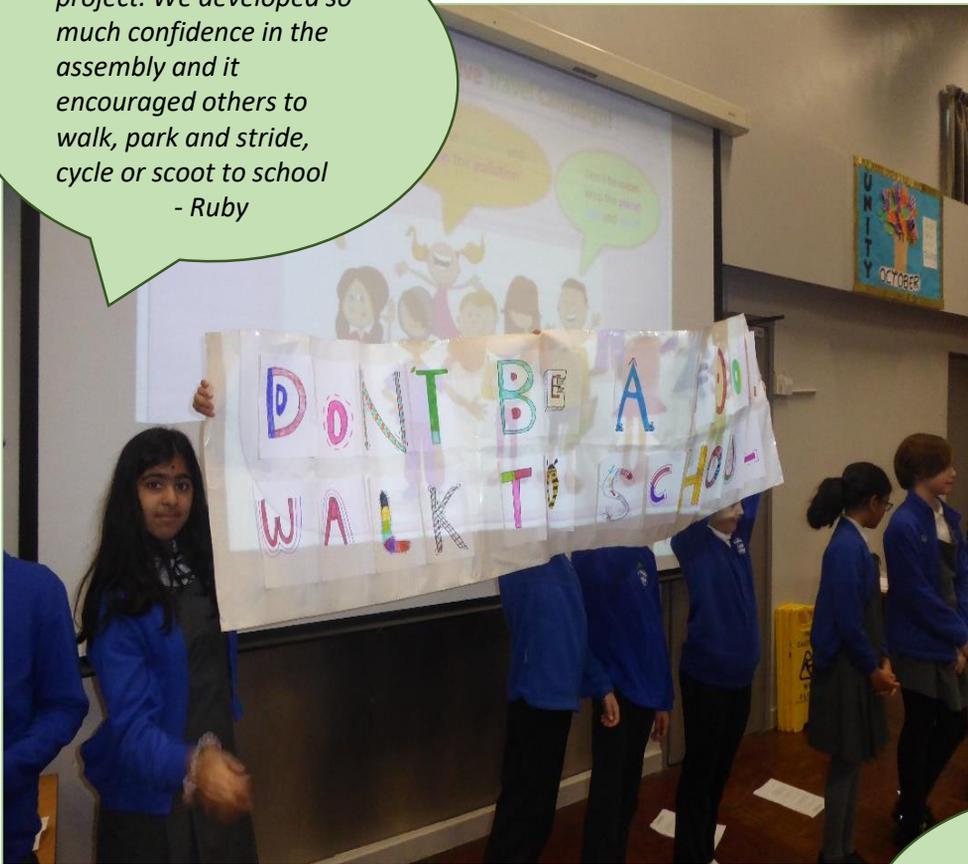
The children and staff at Roxeth recently enjoyed a Christmas assembly performed by ReGen. ReGen is a Christian Schools Work Trust which has been working in local schools across Harrow since 1984. A team of children's workers performed a Christmas assembly with a difference. ReGen brought the traditional Christmas story to life in a fun, modern and relevant way. They were great hit with all the children and adults.





## Air Quality Project

*Air quality is an amazing project. We developed so much confidence in the assembly and it encouraged others to walk, park and stride, cycle or scoot to school*  
- Ruby



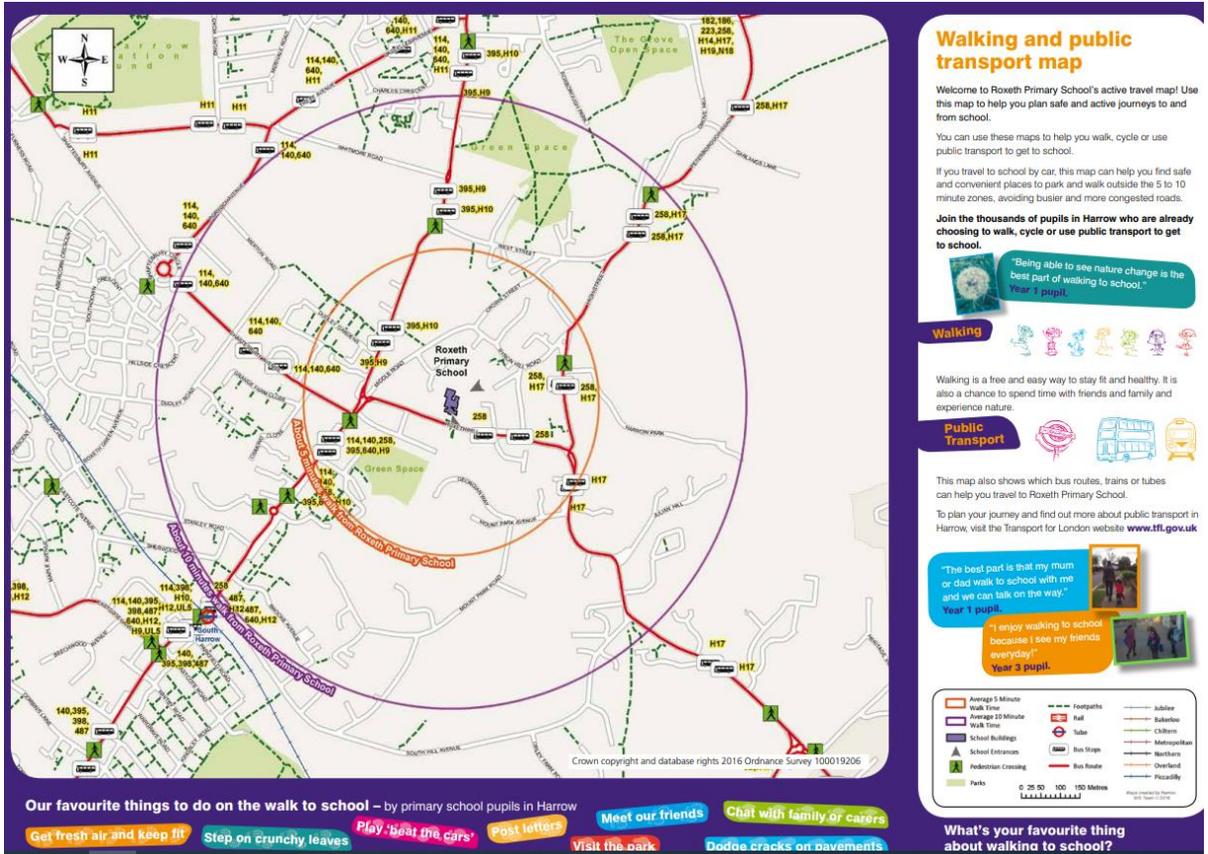
The Year 5 and 6 children choose to apply for the Air Quality Project. The children took part in the project run by PWCL. Through their sessions the Air Quality Ambassadors learnt about the quality of air around our school. What were the factors? How we can reduce air pollution? How does it affect our health? What can we do to reduce the pollution around the school?

*I learnt from the Air Quality project how to stop pollution in our planet* - Aamina



## Air Quality Project cont...

### Roxeth Active Travel Map



The children created a slogan

**Don't Be a Fool,  
Walk to School.**

*Air Quality has been really fun as we have used test tubes to try to work out how much pollution is around our school. We hope to do more fun activities and a car free day - Teagan*

**Look out!! More information coming your way.**

**Get ready for a**

**Car Free Day**

**So get planning and let's walk to school.**

## Year 1

For the last 3 weeks, the year 1 students have been learning about fairy tale stories. In the first week, we read different tales and looked at the parts of the stories exploring the characters, settings, problems, and solutions. We also learnt to make connections with each story and even wrote our own page for a fairy tale story. 1A shared their learning with the infant school in an assembly explaining what fairy tale stories are and some of the students even read 'The Three Billy Goat Gruff'.



## Year 2

Year 2 performed brilliantly last Friday during the Nativity Play. This was the first performance they had done in front of the school and yet they displayed amazing confidence! The children have worked very hard to remember their speaking lines, the songs and all of the actions. Some characters from the nativity story, such as shepherds, wise men and angels did brilliantly to stay in role throughout the scenes. A great sense of pride could be felt from Year 2 when they received a rapturous applause from the audience. A massive well done from all of the Year 2 team 😊





The singing was amazing and they dazzled us with their performance!



## Year 3

### Stone Age Activity Day

#### Year 3 delve into the past!

Year 3 have been learning about the Stone Age as part of their History topic. On Tuesday 30th November as a finale they enjoyed a fun packed 'Stone Age Activity Day'.

They watched video clips about the Paleolithic, the Mesolithic and the Neolithic times and discussed the changes that took place in the materials they used (stone, bronze and iron) the change from hunting and then to settling in one place and rearing farm animals for food.

All the children enjoyed a variety of Stone Age related activities. They made a magnetic fishing game to test their skills in hunting. Baking biscuits using spelt flour, vegan butter and other ingredients was a great learning experience. They engaged in a bit of weaving using wool and card. Biscuit Henge got them excited! This involved them using biscuits to make a 'Stone Henge'! I hasten to add that they took their own biscuits home to eat!! Year 3 also made and decorated masks. They learnt that in the Iron Age the tribal warriors would paint their faces to scare off the enemy.

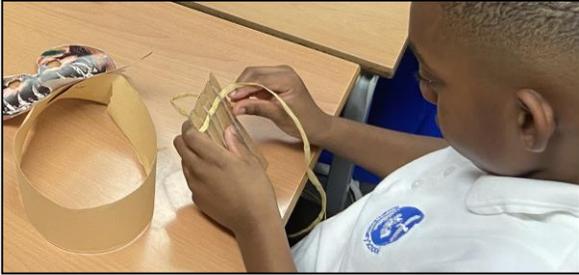
The children thoroughly enjoyed their 'Stone Age' experience. History did come alive at Roxeth!





Year 3

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## Year 4

4DS looked amazing in their Christmas jumpers this year!



4DS have been going to Harrow school to learn some amazing Maths! Recently they learnt about 'Fractals' and created this amazing Art!



## Year 5



5B shared a science assembly with juniors about scientists related to our unit of Earth and Space. The scientists lives that we shared were: Caroline Herschel, Stephen Hawking, Mae Jemison, Neil Armstrong and Margaret Hamilton.

### Scientific Enquiry Poster Competition



Our Rights Rangers had a very difficult task of selecting the winners of the Scientific Enquiry poster competition. All entries were outstanding and the winners are: Lara (5B), Krish (5B), Priya (4K). The new enquiry posters that will be used in school will be a mixture of the three entries. Well done to the winning entries!



# VICTORIAN DAY



# YEAR 5





Year 5 travelled back in time to a Victorian day in 1862. We had lessons including singing the National Anthem, chanting times tables, handwriting practise and sketching objects from the natural environment. Some of us brought our packed lunch in a tea towel just like the Victorian children used to. At the end of the day, we took some serious Victorian photos and some of us smiling, then we played a game of Hide and Seek. We got back into our time machines and were so happy to have our normal teachers back- those Victorian teachers were pretty scary!





## Years 5 & 6 Cross Country Event



On Thursday 9th December, a group of Y5 & 6 children braved the cold to make the trip to West Harrow Park and participate in a Harrow Schools Cross Country Competition. All children participated with a desire to win and a smile on their faces! The event was a great experience and stands Roxeth in great stead for the next sports competition!





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Dear Parent/Carer

### Roxeth Primary School extra-curricular clubs

The following extra-curricular clubs will begin week commencing 1<sup>0th</sup> January through to week commencing 28<sup>th</sup> March 2022: -

Monday	Years 3-6	Football	10 <sup>th</sup> January - 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	3.30pm - 4.30pm	£71.50
Tuesday	Years 1-2	Multi-sports	11 <sup>th</sup> January - 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	3:30pm - 4:30pm	£71.50
Wednesday	Years 3-6	Gymnastics	12 <sup>th</sup> January - 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	3:30pm - 4:30pm	£71.50
Thursday	Years 1-2	Football	13 <sup>th</sup> January - 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2022	3:30pm - 4:30pm	£71.50
Friday	Years 3-6	Dodgeball	14 <sup>th</sup> January - 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	3:30pm - 4:30pm	£65.00

All clubs will now be available to book online through our PSD website on a first come first serve basis.

There will be a maximum of 20 spaces available for each club. Please visit [www.the-psdgroup.org.uk](http://www.the-psdgroup.org.uk) to book your child's place.

Clubs are open to boys and girls of all abilities the coaching programme introduces young players to the fundamentals of sport. Coaching sessions aim to improve ability, build confidence, and emphasize the importance of sportsmanship whilst maintaining a realistic perspective of competition.

All coaches are NGB qualified, first aid trained, child-protection educated and hold relevant DBS checks.

Player of the week certificates will be presented at the end of the session.

Please note: Every effort will be made to ensure the club runs outside on the playground. If however, the weather prevents the session going ahead, a classroom theory based session will take place. Please ensure your child wears suitable clothing to keep them warm in the colder months.

Kind regards

**The PSD Group**

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Shogun Karate's

# SAMURAI SCHOOL

Before & After School Clubs

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**FITNESS**



## SPACES AVAILABLE

Please go to  
[shogunpracticalkarate.com/samuraischool](http://shogunpracticalkarate.com/samuraischool)  
to register your child's place

**CONFIDENCE**



**SELF-DEFENCE**

Email: [doug.connell@shogunpracticalkarate.com](mailto:doug.connell@shogunpracticalkarate.com)



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**Please note that classes fill up quickly and we offer a first come first served policy.**

Please go to  
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to register your child's place



Shogun Karate Club this will be held before school starts on a Tuesday morning from 8am to 8:45am for years 1 to 6. Please go to the above website to book your place. The cost for an 11 weeks course is £60.50p all details can be found on the website.