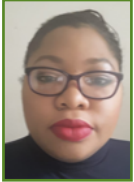


RGSA NEWSLETTER

CHARITY NUMBER 1060996

Greeting from the Chair



Hello everyone its your RGSA Chair, Chinedu Obi. I was appointed to this role during this academic year, and I am a mother to three wonderful children who all attend Rushey Green.

I trust everyone is doing well and staying safe. It has truly been a challenging time, but be assured that the Rushey Green community have been working hard to support our children, parents and staff. I'm sure like me you've been impressed by the commitment of our teachers in ensuring our children continue to learn and enjoyed the zoom meetings which enabled our children stay in touch. Not forgetting the outstanding efforts of our Head teacher Lisa Williams who is already planning for next year!



I am so delighted to welcome our new nursery and reception parents, who will be starting in September. Every parent who joins our school is an automatic member of our PTA, but are always looking for parents with a little time to join us in preparing and facilitating our fund raising events. Look out for our coffee morning posters and join us for a chat.



GETTING TO KNOW US

Stacey McIntosh
Pastoral Lead & Attendance Office

Hi my name is Stacey McIntosh, the children call me Miss Stacey. Lots of you will hopefully have seen my face in the mornings, welcoming your children to school.

I joined Rushey green in September to cover the Learning Mentor role whilst Miss Handley was enjoying time with her baby. I have now stepped into the role as Pastoral Manager and Safeguarding lead because it is my passion to guide, support and help create an inclusive environment for all children. It is also very important to me that I work hard to keep all of the the children and families here at Rushey Green safe.

One of the things I love the most about Rushey Green is the journey that we are all on together and how it feels like one big family! I understand that there have been tricky times in the past and I am excited and privileged to be part of the plan to move forward that Mrs Williams is implementing and leading on.

Fun factI am a keen netball player and I hope that over time I will be able to start up a Rushey Green netball team, enter into tournaments and go on to WIN WIN WIN!!

What's Happened this Year

Although the pandemic has stopped our summer term events, we still had a really good autumn and spring term.

This included



Big Coffee morning- RGSA volunteers hosted the Macmillan coffee morning and again raised funds for the charity.

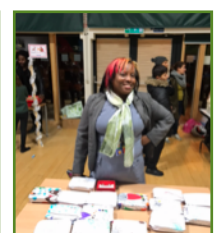
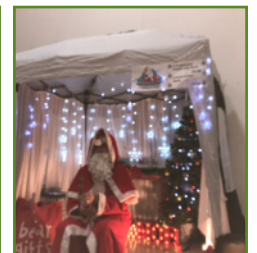
World book week. We had a book swap, which enabled children to exchange preloved books for free. We also had a big red bus visit us so that the children could purchase new books, the RGSA subsidised this to ensure that all the children who visited were able to take away a book.



Winterfair!

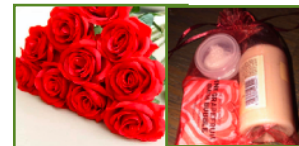


Winter Fair - Everyone had a fantastic time, with fun things to do and great things to eat. The event raised over £2000.



Wellbeing and valentines event for parents and carers -

Parents took the time out to be pampered and advised on healthy eating and how to minimise stress. They left with a few pampering gifts too.



ESOL lessons and conversation class-

The RGSA over the past two years have funded classes for for parents and carers who speak English as a second language. We are currently looking for a new teacher, and hope to continue this next year.



School Disco - Unfortunately we had to cancel the whole school disco planned for March. However we hope to hold the event during the autumn term, but of course this is dependent on government guidance. Your tickets are still valid, but if you want a refund we will arrange this too.



The RGSA funds that parents, friends and staff at Rushey Green contribute towards are always used for additional resources to help enhance our children's school experience. This term this has included personalised t-shirts for our children who performed at Lewisham theatre. Helping with our year 6 students to have a memorable last year. Money has also been allocated to help develop or green spaces within the school grounds.



Thank you gifts for all those who have worked hard at Rushey Green during the pandemic on behalf of Rushey Green parents.



To all of the Rushey Green community. Enjoy your summer holidays and see you all in the new academic year.



Dates for your diary

To be confirmed in September

How are the funds spent.

Decisions on how the RGSA funds used is decided between the RGSA Committee members, Senior leadership team and the school council. We will keep you posted on how your efforts and donations have benefitted the school community.

We need your help!

Volunteers are needed.....

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