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INSET DAY

School will be closed to children on Monday, 2nd November 2020 for staff training.

RGSA

Rushey Green school Association

Just a quick reminder that the RGSA is still here and active. I hope everyone is as well as can be expected under the current circumstances. This academic year looks very different for everyone and we've had to really rethink how we continue to fund raise, and support our community at Rushey Green School. We won't be able to have our usual Winter activities but we do have some great ideas for the winter term! If you are a new parent/ carer to the school or an existing parent please join us for our zoom coffee morning on Tuesday 13th October at 10am. We will send everyone a the link next week.

Many thanks Chinedu Obi (RGSA Chair).

APPLYING TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

The closing date for applications is:
Friday, 31st October 2020.

For more information about applying for a secondary school place, visit:

www.lewisham.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions.

JAMAICA CLASS

This term we have been learning about the life cycle of plants. As a result, all the children in Jamaica Class, had a chance to take part in doing a potato experiment.

The photos will show the process the children went through and how much they enjoyed the experiment. We placed the potatoes in a cool place and will watch the growing process over the next few weeks.



Jamaica Class is also learning about Place Value as part of Maths, where we focus on using concrete manipulatives to allow children of all attainment levels to access learning effectively. Here is an example of one

KEY DATES

12 Oct Mon: Harvest Festival week

15 Oct Thurs: KS1 (DSR) Reading Parents' workshop 4pm

19 Oct Mon: Black History Month Celebration

20 Oct Tue: KS1 Maths Parents' workshop 4pm

31 Oct Sat: Deadline to submit secondary transfer application

23 Nov Mon: Rec-Yr6 Flu Vaccination

TERM DATES 2020-2021

Autumn Term 1 2020: 7 Sept—23 Oct

Half Term: 26 Oct—30 Oct

Autumn Term 2 2020: 3 Nov—18 Dec

Spring Term 1 2021: 5 Jan—12 Feb

Half Term: 15 Feb—19 Feb

Spring Term 2 2021: 22 Feb—31 Mar

Easter Break: 1 Apr—16 Apr

Summer Term 1 2021: 19 Apr—28 May

Half Term: 31 May—4 Jun

Summer Term 2 2021: 7 June—23 Jul

INSET DAYS

2nd November 2020

4th January 2021

VIOLIN

Our violin tutor Giles Thirkettle, is still able to offer more places to our children. Learning an instrument is so beneficial for cognitive development with children actively learning to play a musical instrument often seeing increased academic progress. At this time in particular, learning an instrument could not be more ideal for restoring well being. He is able to take children from yr 2 to 6 and we would be delighted for more students to sign up.

Thank you very much, Andrina Wright

FLU VACCINATION

Flu Vaccination will be taking place on 23rd November 2020 for pupils in Reception - Yr6.

Please complete the form as soon as possible whether you consent or not.

GHANA CLASS



Ghana (R2) Class Newsletter

Ghana class would like to share with you some of their learning this term.



Aaron is concentrating so hard on threading hoops onto the string to make a necklace.



Titus, Nathan, Carson and Shayh have built a house with the crates.



Leila, Aisha, Kalinzi and Anaya made African masks and dressed up in the Kente cloth material from Ghana.



DRUMBEAT PARENT WORKSHOPS

- Emotional Regulation Strategies

Tue 13th Oct 10am-11.30am.

- Emotional Regulation Strategies

Tuesday 13th October 2020 - 6pm-7.30pm.

- Supporting CYP with School Based Anxiety -

Tuesday 17th November 2020 - 10am -

11.30am.

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Our workshops are free to all parents, and all sessions will take place online via Zoom. If you would like to book a place, or have any queries at all, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

outreach.admin@drumbeat.lewisham.sch.uk

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Harvest Festival is on Thursday 15th October, 2020. The children will take part in a zoom whole school assembly during which the meaning of Harvest will be explained and celebrated.

We would very much appreciate it if parents who are able could provide their child with an item of food. Gifts and Donations will be greatly received Monday to Thursday next week. Please bring donations to your class teacher.

All items received will be collected and then distributed to our local food bank.

GREECE CLASS

Over this half term, we have been studying WW2. This week we looked at the role women played during this period and the use of propaganda poster to encourage women to work. Our big question for this term is 'Do war change things?' and this topic of women working during WW2 onwards has had many children changing their initial thoughts on war and realising although war has its negatives it has also opened many doors for new ideas to arise.

In English, the children have really worked hard on writing amazing diary entries based on their book War Horse. They have embodied the character 'Ted Narracott' and written a diary entry based on his feelings and actions.

We have been looking into early history of black history (all the way back to 193 AD). As a class, we are deeply discussing the impact that Septimius Serervus (an African Roman Emperor who was originally from Libya) had on Black History. The children have learnt that Septimius was a man who enlarged the Roman Empire further while in power while making significant alliances in Africa and Britain. This too has linked to our big question where the class examined the impact civil war had on his reign. They are currently creating informative posters unfolding his life and his involvement in Black History.



Friday, 02 October 2020



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Dear Parents/Carers,

ELECTION FOR PARENT GOVERNORS

Following the expiry of the term of office, election for **two parent governors** will take place shortly. All governors serve a four year term of office.

Eligibility to stand: All parents and guardians of children at the school are eligible to stand as candidates in the election **EXCEPT**

- if s/he is an elected member of the local education authority; (local councillor)
- if s/he is paid to work at the school for more than 500 hours in any twelve month period beginning on 1 August and finishing on 31 July (an academic year).

Eligibility to vote: Each parent will have one vote for every parent governor vacancy. Some people who are not parents but who act as parents and take care of a child at the school may also be able to take part. If you or someone else living with you look after a child in this way please contact me to check if you will be able to take part in the election.

The important dates are:

- **16 October 2020:** If you want to be a candidate you should return the attached form by the end of the school day on this date. You can nominate yourself to stand. If you want to nominate another parent please check with them first that they are willing to stand and ask them to sign the nomination form in the space provided. Extra copies of the nomination form are available from the school office.

- **12 November 2020: Voting** will take place from **8:00a.m. - 7:00p.m. online.** A google form will be sent out in advance for parents to cast their votes. If you are unable to access the online form, you can apply for a **postal vote** which you must request in advance via email admin@rusheygreen.lewisham.sch.uk. A ballot paper will then be sent to you so you will not need to come to the school to vote. The deadline to request a postal vote is 22nd October, 2020.

Please note that all new governors are required by law to undergo a check on their suitability to serve. This will be a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Check or a check against List 99, the DCSF list of people whose employment has been barred or restricted either on grounds of misconduct or for medical reasons.

Parent Governors are very important to the life of the school and I hope very much that you will vote and also consider being a candidate.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. L. Williams
Headteacher





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PARENT GOVERNOR NOMINATION FORM

I WOULD LIKE TO NOMINATE MYSELF/OR* _____(NAME)

_____ (ADDRESS)

_____ (ADDRESS)

_____ (EMAIL)

_____ (TEL NO)

AS A PARENT GOVERNOR AT _____(SCHOOL)

I AM A PARENT/GUARDIAN OF _____(NAME OF CHILD)

_____ (SIGNATURE)

* Please delete as appropriate. If you are nominating someone else please check first that they are willing to stand and ask them to sign _____(SIGNATURE)

Lewisham Local Authority is anxious that governing bodies reflect the ethnic mix of the Borough. To assist in gathering information would you please indicate which of the following categories you would place yourself in?

		(Please ✓)			(Please ✓)
White	British	<input type="checkbox"/>	Asian or	Indian	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Irish	<input type="checkbox"/>	Asian British	Pakistani	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Traveller of Irish heritage	<input type="checkbox"/>		Bangladeshi	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Gypsy/Roma	<input type="checkbox"/>		Any other Asian background	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Any other white background	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sri Lankan Tamil	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Turkish/Turkish Cypriot	<input type="checkbox"/>	Black or	Caribbean	<input type="checkbox"/>
	White European	<input type="checkbox"/>	Black British	African – Somali	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mixed	White & Black Caribbean	<input type="checkbox"/>		Other Black African	<input type="checkbox"/>
	White & Black African	<input type="checkbox"/>		Any other Black background	<input type="checkbox"/>
	White & Asian	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chinese	Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Any other mixed background	<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other	Vietnamese	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Ethnic background	Any other ethnic background	<input type="checkbox"/>

Do you consider yourself to have a disability Yes / No (please delete)

If yes, please specify _____

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THIS INFORMATION IS FOR MONITORING PURPOSES ONLY AND WILL NOT BE SHOWN ON INFORMATION SENT TO PARENTS

