

## MESSAGE FROM HEADTEACHER

Dear Families,

It is good to be back, it has been a really great start. Welcome to all our new families. The new Reception and Nursery children have settled very well. Thank you for all your patience with their induction.

Here are a few reminders:

**Meet the teacher morning:** It is a great opportunity to meet the class teacher and find out a little about the term ahead.

- ◆ Year 1 & 2 : Tuesday 14th September at 8.45am-9.15am
- ◆ Year 3 & 4 : Wednesday 15th September at 8.45am-9.15am
- ◆ Year 5 & 6 : Thursday 16th September at 8.45am-9.15am

**Enrichment after school clubs:** It is great we are able to run after school clubs again. Parents of children receiving FSM may be able to get support to pay for clubs, please let the school office know if you require this support.

**Walking home alone:** Only children in year 5 & 6 may go home alone. If you give permission for your child to walk home alone please write to your child's class teacher to let them know.

**Mobile phones:** We have a strict policy on mobile phones, children are not allowed phones whilst at school. If your child needs to bring a phone to school to contact you in an emergency after school, they must hand it in to the class teacher in the morning before class starts. Please write to your child's class teacher to let them know.

**Parking:** Notice to all new parents - our school is part of the school streets initiative. Parking is not accessible and will be subject to a fine between the hours of 8.15am-9.15am & 2.45pm & 3.45pm.

**Please respect our neighbours by not parking on across driveways** on Culverley Road & Penerley road, Nursery car parks and care homes.

**New school menu :** Please [click here](#) to view our new school menu.

**Healthy lunch boxes:** We would request that children bring a healthy lunch to school and in line with our school food goals. Please do not prepare chocolate sandwiches, sweets, chocolate bars, fizzy/sugary drinks. Cold food such as chips, nuggets, burgers will not be allowed and the children will be given a school meal instead. Please helps us to help the children develop good healthy lifestyle choices. If you are struggling with your child and their food choices, please let us know as we are here to help.

**Holidays during term time** are not permitted. Your child is at risk of losing their school space and you could be fined up to £60 per parent per child per unauthorised absence £120 thereafter.

**Visits:** We hoped to restart educational visit this term and arrange for swimming lessons to resume for Year 4 classes as soon as possible - dates to be confirmed.

**Had a new phone?** Can you make sure the school office has your emergency contact number and email address so we can ensure important information gets to you.

## Message from Head Teacher pt2

If you would like to meet with the Headteacher or Special needs Co-Ordinator please ask for an appointment at the main office.

We look forward to the term ahead – if you would like to have chat about anything, I will be based on the Culverly Road playground most mornings. Ms Fisher, Deputy Headteacher, will be on the Penerley Road Gate or pop into the main office and ask for an appointment. Email [admin@rusheygreen.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@rusheygreen.lewisham.sch.uk)

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Lisa Williams  
Headteacher

### ENGLAND CLASS

This week in England Class we have been listening to lots of different genres of music. We drew how the music made us feel and the images that we had in our heads. We listened to instrumental Jazz & Blues, Hip-Hop, Country Music and Flamenco.

Can you match the pictures to the images?



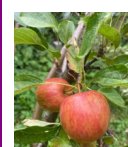
We Read the book a walk in London. We drew and labelled maps of their journey around the wonderful sights and landmarks of our amazing capital city!

The gardening project that last year England Class (3B) undertook was extremely successful! We grew a range of herbs such as: basil, mint and rosemary. But our proudest achievement by far was this HUGE pumpkin! Next week they will work with the chefs Luck and Rab to make some delicious soup! Well done!



### RGSA

A warm welcome back to all parents and carers, I hope you had a restful summer break. Lots of exciting RGSA community events are being planned for the Autumn term, and we will be sharing them with you shortly. We will be arranging a coffee morning event to introduce our new parents to the Rushey Green School Association, as every parent/ carer is an automatic member!



From next Friday 17th September for an hour after school, we will be resuming the Nature and Gardening club for parents and accompanied children. We will be continuing our work of tidying up all the forest school areas and preparing for winter, no expert gardening skills required. Light refreshments provided too! If you would like to find out more about the RGSA please send us an email [l.brooks@rusheygreen.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:l.brooks@rusheygreen.lewisham.sch.uk). Thank you



### JAMAICA CLASS

**Date: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021 (5J)**

**Time: 09:00-09:45 in the Reception hall (small hall)**

Welcome back to a new term at Rushey Green Primary, I hope your child has enjoyed the first week back and is settling in well. So that I can introduce myself to 5J parents, I am inviting you to attend a coffee morning. This will also give you the opportunity to meet other parents, share ideas, tips and advice.

Come and join us for a drink and a chat.  
Alecia Hughes, SENDCO

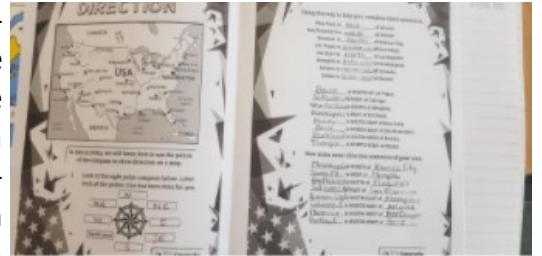


## USA CLASS

It has been great to have all the wonderful children back and learning in 6 USA!



We've been rather busy in class. We started the week by getting to know our class country. Firstly, we gathered information about what we already knew and what we wanted to learn about the USA. To develop our map skills, we used an atlas to identify the neighbouring countries, water features and identified the main cities. We later placed our 'maths hat' on to navigate, using directions and key vocabulary, on how to get from one city to another in the USA.



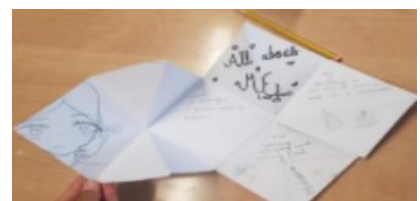
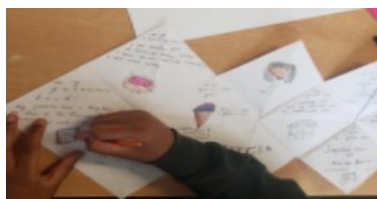
As we are new to Year 6 and we have a new class teacher, it was important to spend some time getting to know each other. Therefore, we created a personal profile which we later transferred into awesome exploding books. We added information about ourselves, thought about how our friends would describe us, mentioned our strengths as well as talking about our goals for the future.



Getting to know each other also included finding out about each other ethnic heritage. Using a large world map, we 'pinned' (see image) where in the world our class members are from. It was really interesting to talk about our different heritage backgrounds and learn more about the different cultures.



Next week, we will continue to learn more about our class country and construct that knowledge into a factfile.



## Music Lessons

We are pleased to confirm that Music Lessons will be starting on the following dates:

- ◆ Guitar Monday 20th September
- ◆ Drums Thursday 23rd September
- ◆ Violin Tuesday 21st or Friday 24th September
- ◆ Piano TBC
- ◆ Flute and Trumpet Tuesday 21st September

Please note that your child will need an instrument for lessons (except Piano and Drums). The instrument hire form must be completed before the children can take the instruments home:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1TaHsccMB9KUrxJPJ0a3du77KlqHYxsCETaQV\\_xE5Gu8/edit](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1TaHsccMB9KUrxJPJ0a3du77KlqHYxsCETaQV_xE5Gu8/edit)

## COMMUNITY NEWS

If you are concerned about the safety of a child at Rushey Green Primary School, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead Miss Stacey or the Designated Safeguarding Governor via the School Office.

If your concern is urgent and out of school hours, please contact:

**MASH: 0208 314 6660**

### Miss Stacey McIntosh



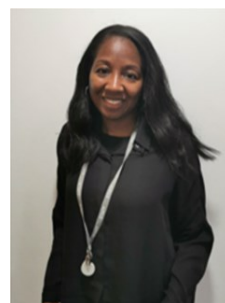
Pastoral Manager &  
Designated Safeguarding Lead

### Ms Lilian Brooks



Designated Safeguarding  
Governor

### Miss Alecia Hughes



SENCO  
Deputy Safeguarding Lead

## ARTS & CRAFTS CLUB

ST LUKE'S CHURCH DOWNHAM

WEDNESDAYS  
4:00PM - 5:30PM

15TH SEPTEMBER  
22ND SEPTEMBER  
29TH SEPTEMBER

6TH OCTOBER  
13TH OCTOBER  
20TH OCTOBER

Come and use your imagination to  
draw, paint, create and make.

Accessible for all ages and abilities  
This is an open session, you can make and create whatever you want.  
Children must be accompanied by an adult.

We ask for a £1.50 donation to cover the cost of resources.  
Everything you make can be taken home.

## Open Events

@ St Matthew Academy

### Open Mornings

14th - 16th &  
28th - 30th September  
All at 9:15am - 11:00am

### Open Evening

Tuesday 21st September  
4:30pm - 7:30pm

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