

Rushey Green Primary Newsletter

DIARY DATES

FRI 1ST FEBRUARY 2019

THIS WEEK

Mon 4th Feb

Yr6 Romeo & Juliet Albany
Theatre Trip

Thurs 7th Feb

4J Assembly
1W Assembly

FURTHER AHEAD

Mon 11th Feb

CfD Anti Bullying Training

Tues 12th Feb 3.30 - 7pm

Parent Consultation Evening

Weds 13th Feb 3.30 - 6pm

Parent Consultation Evening

Thurs 14th Feb

3D Assembly
2DA Assembly

Thurs 28th Feb

6L Assembly
1M Assembly

Mon 4th Mar

CfD Art Project in school

Weds 6th Mar

CfD Art Project in School

Thurs 7th Mar

2GH Assembly

updated

Fri 15th Mar 9.15am - 9.45am

Parent Workshop—helping
your child with Maths/English
at home

Thurs 21st march

CfD Art Project Tate Trip

TERM DATES

Spring Term 1

8th Jan - 15th Feb

Half Term

18th Feb - 22nd Feb

Spring Term 2

25th Feb - 5th April

Easter Break

8th April - 22nd April

Summer Term 1

23rd April - 23rd May

Half Term

27th May - 31st May

Summer Term 2

3rd June - 23rd July

THIS WEEK IN SCHOOL

The weeks are beginning to speed by quickly. As I walk around the school and visit the classes, it is great to see the children quickly settling into their learning and progressing well this term.

The Talk for Writing assemblies are continuing to be successful every Thursday and this week Ms Rizou's class did a fantastic job with their presentation about Harry Potter's Wizard Chessboard. Thank you Raccoon Class!

The school is looking great and all the class flags are now displayed in the Main Entrance hall. If you get a chance, come in and have a look at the fantastic job the children have done in producing these vibrant flags. Parent Consultation evenings are coming up soon; take time to have a look at some of the other displays around the school and the wonderful learning produced by the children. We have managed to get a dusting of snow this week to the children's excitement; however, this unfortunately melted quickly!

Have a wonderful, safe weekend and I look forward to seeing everyone again on Monday.

Michael Grocock.

PARKING ISSUES

Too often our parents are double parking, parking in drive ways, moving bins and then being abusive to our neighbours. This is setting a bad example to our children.

Local parents think that this behaviour is acceptable at our school.

Abusive behaviour to our neighbours is not modelling the expectations that we hold for our children and staff members.

We will be starting a 'number plate of shame' on our weekly newsletters.

SCHOOL MEAL CHANGES

A polite reminder to parents that if you would like to change your child's meal option you must let us know at the beginning of a term or half term. The cost of school meals for this half term is £63.80p.

DRAMA CLUB

Drama club are rehearsing really hard for their show coming soon!



MESSAGE FROM NURSERY

Could Nursery parents stop leaving the gates open near the nursery please. We have to close them each day and are worried that one of these days, a child will run out of our class and into the front playground.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Code Club, Sydenham Library, Saturday 12-1pm
Fun, creative, interactive course for 9-11 year olds. In the IT training room. Mail sydenhamcommunitylibrary@gmail.com to register or take a chance and just turn up.

Keep in touch



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Phones and Email

Please inform us if you have changed your mobile phone number or email address. We communicate through text messages whenever possible so its vital we hold the correct number.

Lunches

Our school lunches are cooked on site by our own staff. Salad bar and hot school dinners cost £2.20.

Breakfast/After School Club

Breakfast club is open from 7.45am. After School Club runs from 3.15 – 5.55pm. There are lots of games to play and time to spend with friends.

It costs £4 for breakfast and £7.50 for after school, per session. If you wish to be put on our waiting list please let the School Office know. Payment for these clubs must be made in advance to secure

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CONGRATULATIONS

HEADTEACHERS AWARD



STAR OF THE WEEK



YEAR ONE WINTER IMAGES

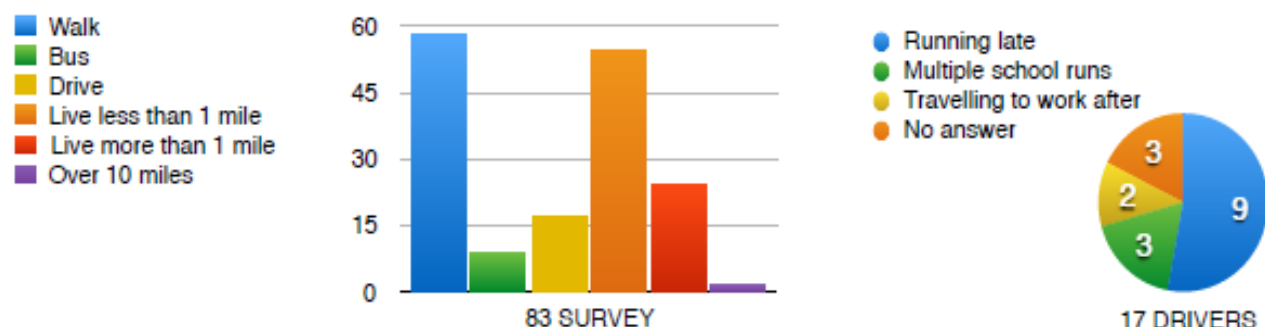
Over the winter break children from Year 1 used their photography skills to capture winter in an image. Originally we planned to choose the best image from each class and display the in the newsletter. However, we have been overwhelmed with the amount of images we received so we want to celebrate them all. Do we have the next David Bailey here at Rushey Green? Well done Year 1!



Rushey Green School Parking Survey

Firstly thank you to those who took part the parking survey last week. We collected 83 surveys from parents and carers who walk to school and also those who drive. It's purpose was to explore the parking issues at the beginning and end of school around the school entrances, and try and find solutions that make that area safer for children, parents, staff and the local community.

The first question we asked was around how people travelled to school.



58 walked , 9 traveled by bus, and 17 drove.

The next series of questions were around distance from school and how far children lived from school.

55 lived less than a mile, 24 lived more than 2 lived over 10 miles.

We then asked whether more information was needed from the school about sustainable travel and different methods/ support available to help with traveling to and from school e.g.. Walking bus, cycling,scooters, car share if parents need to drive.

Comments ranged from not thinking it would make a difference, to those who would like to know what options or information there was and others felt it was the parents choice and nothing to do with the school. It was also acknowledged that the use of cars and parking was not only about safety but had environmental implications and an impact on children's health because of pollution.

We asked parents who drive to provide us with the reason as to why they choose this option. From the 17 responses from car drivers; several (3)had multiple morning school runs; (9) running late; (2) going to on to work and the final 3 gave no answer.

The last questions were about the greatest challenges created by cars parked outside the entrances and what action is needed to address these issues. It was generally agreed that parking is an issue and that parents should be encouraged to walk with their children, however to address the ongoing issues. It was felt that

- Better signage was needed to encourage parking on the zigzag lines outside the school
- Further traffic calming measures to slow traffic down (It was felt that the build up of traffic was not only due to parents but general traffic using Culverley and Penerley road as short cuts around the one way system.
- Lollipop person to support children and families crossing a very busy road
- On Culverley road a pedestrian crossing i.e.. Zebra crossing to make cars stop
- Create greater access to the walking bus.
- Drop off Zone for parents who have to drive as they would then be able to drive away rather than park.
- Local Authority Parking attendants to be present as a deterrent.

There were also issues raised about the local residents who complained about their drive ways being blocked and how we could address this.

What Happens next

There has already been a meeting with Mr Calvert to discuss these initial findings and we are now exploring all of the ideas suggested.

Within the next few weeks we will be purchasing signs for outside the school to discourage parking on the zigzags. We are liaising with the Local Authority Road safety and Active travel team to discuss the allocation of a Lollipop person and in creating a drop off Zone and creating the space to do this without drivers being penalized.

Ultimately we want to create an area that doesn't put our children at risk and promote the health of our Rushey Green community. We will keep you posted on our progress.

Lilian Brooks (RGSA Chair)



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