



Dear Parents / Carers, Governors and Friends,

We are already at the end of the first half term of this academic year – it has gone by so quickly!

There has been lots of exciting learning going on over the last couple of weeks: Yr 3 had a Young Inventors workshop and were challenged to come up with Inventions for life in the year 2030. Below are two examples of their inventions, there are more available to view on the Little Inventors website.

Children from Year 6 completed their Bikeability training. They all did very well and as usual were praised for their excellent behaviour. Well done Yr 6.

Reception children were very excited when two new arrivals joined their class – both of them small with long ears – yes, you guessed it rabbits! They have settled in very well and the children are loving having them and are all learning to care for them.

It was great to see so many Reception and Yr 1 parents at our Phonic and Reading meetings this week. We hope you found them useful. All resources and information that was shared at the meetings is now available on our website.

A big thank you to the FOR for organising our Annual Spooky Disco, the children all had a great time. Thank you to all of the parents who gave up their time to help.

Thank you very much for your generous Harvest food gift of 291.90 Kgs on the 5th October to the Bromley Foodbank. All donations will go to local families in need.

The peripatetic music teachers have a few spaces for instrument lessons available in school. If your child would like to learn an instrument please collect a form from the school office or access one via the website. We offer: Violin, Flute, Brass, Drums, Piano, and Guitar lessons.

Please note that after half term, the collection arrangements for after school clubs that are in the Lower Hall (Spotlights, Musical Theatre, Jamie's gym and Karate) will be changing. Club organisers will bring the children from these clubs to the KS2 exit on the KS2 playground. This is because children in After School Club use the KS1 playground and parents opening and closing the gate is a potential safeguarding issue.

Congratulations to Giles Milton, our new parent governor. Giles has a daughter, Ruby in Year 3. We look forward to working with you.

A letter has been emailed giving details about the Parent Teacher Conferences evening that are being held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November and Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November. Please note that Elephant Class Parent Conferences will be on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> as Mrs Duller has an appointment she is unable to change on Wednesday. The online booking system will open on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October from 10am. This will be an opportunity for you to meet your child's class teacher and discuss their progress.

I hope you received details earlier about 'Raglan Remembers'. We would love any creative parents to submit a piece for our gallery of Remembrance Art. Please send any pieces to Ms Reid Smith or to the office on Monday after half term.

Please remember that children should be in winter uniform after half term. This includes shirts and ties as Polo shirts are part of the Summer Uniform. Please also ensure all children are wearing black shoes – trainers or boots are not part of our uniform.



Finally - closing date for yr 5 and 6 to enrol for the Cross Country Event at Crystal Palace Pk is 31<sup>st</sup> October, forms are available from the office or from Mrs Dumper.

Have an enjoyable half term and we hope to see you at our Maths Café after the half term break.

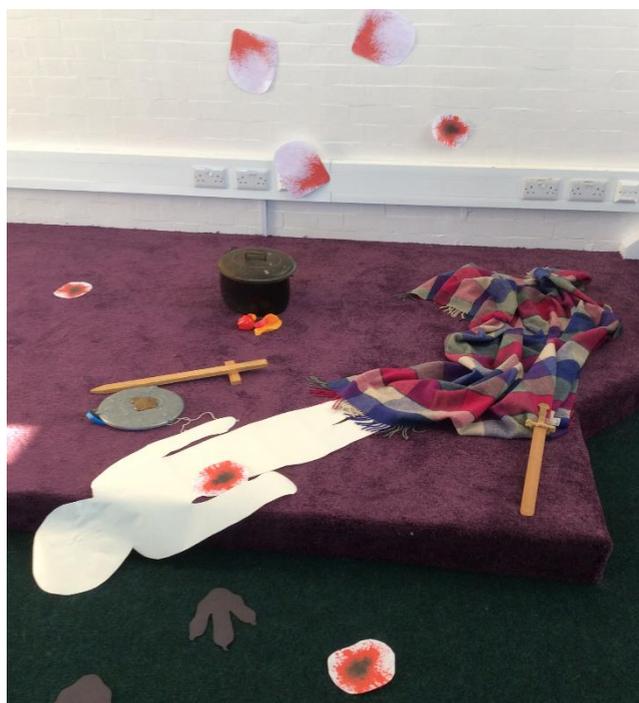
Kath Margetts and Staff

## Puffin's Family Assembly



What a fantastic assembly! Puffin Class shared all of their knowledge about healthy eating, including the importance of eating a balanced diet including food from all of the major food groups. They performed poems, shared art work and sang a song with great enthusiasm. Well done Puffins.

Year Five walked in to a mystery on Wednesday last week. In the new media suite, there was evidence of a body, footprints made by a creature of some kind, a cast iron cooking pot and food, a blanket, a shield and some swords. There were blood splatters on the walls and floor. The children took photos as evidence and wondered what had happened, who the body was, when it happened, why and by whom? Was the body found, the only victim? The children then went on to write a newspaper article, reporting on their findings. Hopefully, all will become clear next week as we start our new English text.



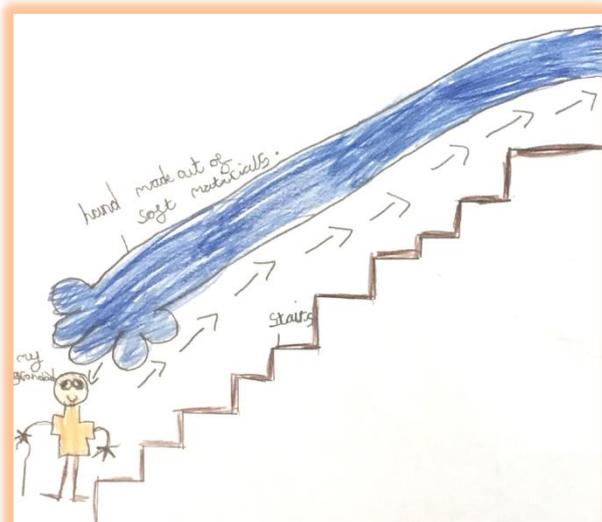
## Young Inventors

Is an initiative that invites children around the world to create inventions that will help solve problems in their homes, schools or communities using whatever tools and materials are available. The Inventor's Challenge fosters critical 21st century skills and attitudes, like creativity and innovation, optimism and empathy, and the willingness to experiment and take risks.



"My invention is a spare piece of new land held by a net of bottles and plastic. This land is for farms to grow more crops on and it's in the sea. It's useful because farms wouldn't struggle for space and food banks can get more food for other people"

**Paddy**



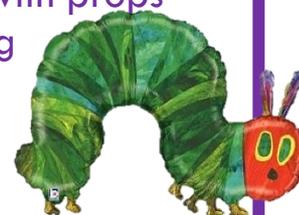
"This invention is for Grandads and Grandmas and everyone who maybe disabled, this can help you. It is a hand, so if you can't get up the stairs, this hand wraps around your body tightly and pulls you up the stairs. All you have to do is touch it."

**Ella**



## Giraffe's Family Assembly

This was Giraffe's first Family Assembly and what a great assembly it was. The children told the story of The Hungry Caterpillar, complete with props that they had made themselves. They also shared lots of learning about healthy eating. Well done Giraffe's. You were amazing!





## **SOCCER SCHOOLS**

**CROYDON, BROMLEY  
SUTTON & TANDRIDGE**

**FOR BOYS & GIRLS  
AGE 5-12**

**9AM-4PM**



- MIXTURE OF PRACTICAL SESSIONS AND INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS
- WORKBOOKS TO TRACK LEARNING\*
- INDIVIDUAL PLAYER FEEDBACK\*
- PACKED LUNCH PROVIDED

BOOK ONLINE AT [WWW.PALACEFORLIFE.ORG](http://WWW.PALACEFORLIFE.ORG)

\*feedback and workbook for participants attending three or more days

### **Important Dates Coming Up**

29<sup>th</sup> October – beginning of Raglan Remembers

Maths Café Week

31<sup>st</sup> October - Closing date for secondary school applications

Closing date for Cross Country

5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Nov - Parents Consultation –Elephants

6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> Nov - Parents Consultation- all other classes

# Attendance and Punctuality!

## Overview

This week the overall attendance is 96% Well done! The same as last week!

Two classes had 100% attendance this week! Leopards and Dolphins! Well done!



Please make sure that your child is only absent for authorised reasons. Please try to make appointments for Doctors and Dentist before or after school.

## Lates

Nine classes had no lates this week. Leopards, Sharks, Frogs, Monkeys, Tigers, Penguins, Pandas, Giraffes and Panthers. Congratulations!

This week children were late for school a total of 19 times! – This is too high! Please make an extra effort to arrive to school on time next week.



Don't be late through the gate! Please make sure your child arrives in time for school!

**Children must be at school each morning by 8.55 a.m. for KS1 children and 8.50 a.m. for the KS2.**

## Attendance for each class this week:

Group	% Attend	L
Dolphins	100	1
Leopards	100	0
Golden Eagles	99	5
Sharks	99	0
Frogs	99	0
Monkeys	98	0
Tigers	98	0
Penguins	97	0
Pandas	97	0
Giraffes	97	0
Elephants	97	2
Panther	95	0
Puffins	95	5
Lions	90	2
Wolves	90	3
Rhinos	90	1

**Gold:** Excellent. These classes are meeting our target of 96.5% attendance.

**Green:** These classes are doing very well with average attendance.

**Amber:** These classes are below average attendance at 92-95%.

**Red:** Attendance in this class is below 92% and of concern.