



Weekly News...

Friday 8th September 2017

Welcome back.

We'd like to say welcome back to all our families. We hope you had a fantastic summer break and are refreshed for the academic year ahead. We have several new members of staff join us this year. Teaching wise, we have Mr Hunt and Mr Bourke who teach year 1 and 4 respectively. Over the Summer, we also said goodbye to Mr Barton our Site Manager, who has left to pursue new challenges, along with Mr Barnet who has relocated to a new area. We wish them both well.

Our new Site Manager has already started in post and we welcome Mr Bourke (yes, that's two Mr Bourkes!) to the Rowley Park team.

Meet the Teacher

This Wednesday from 3:30, we are inviting parents into school to meet their child's teacher. Teachers will go over key information for the year including visits, homework, NICER challenges etc. It is also an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have. Session will take place in the individual classrooms. Miss Stubbs will also be available during the session for Year 6 parents who may have any questions concerning the forthcoming Shugborough residential visit.

Exits

Can we politely ask parents of children in Years 2 & 3 to collect their children from the KS1 playground area (rather than by the doors). Teachers will accompany children onto the playground and wait with them until they are collected.

Safeguarding

As part of our continuing commitment to safeguarding, please be advised that our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Miss Stubbs (Deputy Headteacher) The Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Allen.



Our Star Writer and Mastery Maths boards will run from next week.



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Our Big Adventure!

We are all looking forward to our Big Adventure which will take place next week. Each year we like to keep our adventures new and fresh and this year will have a science theme. Rather than going out of school, our adventure will take place at RPA. We will be joined by Sublime Science who will be working with each year group on some weird and wonderful experiments. Each year group will be focusing on a different area of learning in science and have their own scientists to discover more about (please see your child's class newsletter next week for more details. We are hoping for good weather, so we can carry out our investigations outside as well as enjoying a lunchtime BBQ. Children will then work over the half term towards their challenge outcome of 'Can we hold a fair to share our Big Science Adventure?' where children will be sharing their learning with other classes and our parents. Please see below for the date. Children are also asked to come to school on Tuesday dressed as a scientist, ready for the day ahead.

Dates for your diary

Here are some key dates for your diary for Autumn.

Big Adventure— Tuesday 12th September
Meet the teacher—Wednesday 13th September 3:30
Year 6 Shugborough visit—20th—22nd September
First Celebration assembly—Friday 22nd September
RPAs Big Science Adventure Fair—Wednesday 18th October between 2-4pm
Half term—23rd October— 27th October
Christmas Fair—Wednesday 13th December
Zone Assembly—Friday 15th December
Christmas Party Afternoon—Monday 18th December
School closes—Tuesday 19th December 12:00pm

Next Week's Diary Dates

Our Big Adventure—Tuesday 12th September
Meet the Teacher—Wednesday 13th September 3:30-4:30