



# RHS NEWSLETTER

## Spring 2, 2017



### PRINCES TRUST TRIP

Students currently engaged in the Prince's Trust Achieve programme went out to the Challenge 4 Change indoor adventure activity centre. The purpose of this trip was to practise team working skills.

We arrived at the centre and met with the students from other schools, making the number of participants 100 in total. The students were divided into groups and set about tackling the challenges that had been set by the centre's staff. The tasks were to scale obstacles, many of which were 10 metres or so off the ground. The team working involved helping each other through the obstacles and holding the safety ropes, literally having someone's life in their hands. The whole day was lots of fun and the Ramillies students earned great praise from the organisers for their ability to work with and support others.



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### WORLD BOOK DAY

Pupils and staff all enjoyed World Book Day. They looked fantastic in their costumes – we were so impressed with their efforts and Ingenuity! The Junior pupils went to Pre-school to talk to the children about their books and to read stories to them. This was a fantastic experience and something which we encourage on a regular basis in our RHS family!



On the day the pupils were challenged to identify all of the staff characters and they spent the whole day in and around lessons and the office filling in their quiz sheets (special thanks to Adam for designing this). Eva, Pippa and Sabrina successfully guessed every single character. The whole day was intended to encourage our pupils to enjoy reading. Thanks to everybody for making it such a success.

### THE AMAZING PHERR TEAM!

Four of our Junior pupils, Pippa, Hamza, Eva and Rayane (with help from Ruby Y7) have managed to raise £221 towards our Accelerated Reader fundraising project. It is our hope to invest in this fantastic software which will allow us to encourage even more

progress in reading at RHS. We are so proud of their enthusiasm and their desire to help the school fund the Accelerated Reader System.

It was entirely their idea and they have worked hard to achieve this. They held a sponsored silence for a day, an enormous challenge especially for our Junior Chatterboxes! A further £62 is still to be collected from the people that sponsored them.



Our target is four figures(!) so we have a steep mountain to climb but this is a wonderful gesture. Team PHERR also organised a mega sale on the last day of term—cakes, drinks, toys and Easter treats to

raise money for the fund.

Thanks to all the parents and pupils for supporting Team PHERR.

### ROYAL MAIL DESIGN A CHRISTMAS STAMP COMPETITION 2017

In Art this term Mr Buckingham has entered our junior pupils in to the 'design a stamp' competition, they have been asked to design a stamp using the theme 'What does the Christmas season mean to you?'



Christmas season mean to you?



Two lucky winners will see their designs made into one of the 1st or 2nd



Class Christmas stamps for 2017. The winning designs will be approved by Her Majesty the Queen and used on millions of Christmas cards during the festive season.

The juniors have enjoyed taking part in this and have come up with some fantastic designs. Please keep your fingers crossed in hope at least one of our juniors will see their creation on Christmas cards this year.



### UGANDAN APPEAL BOXES

This term Miss Saunders has been teaching Year 7's about the Revival Centre, Matugga, Uganda. The centre provides an education and a home to orphans and children in need, as well as a medical centre for the whole community. Year 7 started with learning about where Uganda is on the map, how their schools and homes differ from ours and how fortunate we are to live in Britain.

They spoke about how the charity relies on sponsorship of children, volunteers and providing donations such as; clothes, soft toys, toiletries and stationary. They have linked this to British Values and how we should care for others, who are less fortunate than ourselves. The class became very enthusiastic about the charity and decided they wanted to collect



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donations. They did an assembly to ask the whole school if they would donate items they no longer required. Thank you for all the donations, which we are sure the children in Uganda will greatly appreciate. Well done, Year 7!

### COMIC RELIEF

For Comic Relief, Matthew Barwell, Year 10, agreed to dye his hair either; blonde, brown or black. Blonde won the sponsorship vote and Matthew stuck to his word. Matthew was pleased with the outcome and managed to raise money for a worthwhile cause. Well done, Matthew!



### TOTAL FITNESS

Some of the Year 7's and 8's spent an afternoon at Total Fitness. They started off with 2 laps of the running track and then they got to use some of the machines. Their behaviour was impeccable. All children enjoyed this visit and are looking forward to returning after Easter.

### MOVERS AND SHAKERS

It is with sadness that we say goodbye to Mrs Brown our Maths Teacher, she has been a valuable member of the school for 10 years and will be missed. Mrs Bhardwaj will be taking over from Mrs Brown and we wish her a warm welcome.

### Ofsted Action Plan Update

Ofsted have confirmed that they will undertake a monitoring visit in the summer term. Progress against the action plan continues in all areas and a recent inspection by Stockport Local Authority endorsed the improvement and noted in their report that we were making a strategic and rapid response. The full report is available to parents on request.