






Roehampton Church School

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<p>Headteacher's Welcome</p>	<p>Dear Parents and Carers,</p> <p>A very well deserved pat on the back for all of our Year 6 pupils who performed so well in their tests this week. They all tried their very hardest and I am sure all their hard work will pay off. Equally our Year 2 children have made a great start to their tests and the first signs are very encouraging and testament to all the hard work they have put in. A huge thank you to Mrs Barrell and Miss Carson for their monumental efforts in preparing the children so well for their tasks and tests this week. As always, if you have any questions or queries, please do come and make an appointment to see either Mrs Azurdia, Mrs Graham or myself. Many thanks for your continuing support, Mr Woodfin</p>
<p>Something to Talk About!</p> 	<p>Our 'Something to Talk About' this week has been Compassion. Please have a ten minute conversation with your child about this, ensuring there are no distractions. Here are some ideas for your conversation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can you look the word 'Compassion' up, using a dictionary (this could be an online one)?• Which people do you feel deserve our compassion?• Can you think of a time where each of you needed to be compassionate?• Did being compassionate help you, or help the other person?• How do you help yourself become more compassionate?
<p>NSPCC Visit – KS1 and KS2</p> 	<p>Later this month, the NSPCC, the UK's leading children's charity, will be visiting our school as part of their nationwide 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' programme. This programme focuses on making sure pupils have the knowledge and understanding they need to stay safe from abuse. The NSPCC will be running assemblies for both KS1 and KS2, and delivering follow up workshops in Years 5 and 6. If you'd like to know more about the NSPCC's work, or take a look at the wide range of information and advice which is available for parents and carers, please visit their website:</p> <p>https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/</p>
<p>Inclusion and Wellbeing</p> 	<p>Mrs Rochester, our Inclusion and Wellbeing Lead, has started holding weekly surgeries where parents can 'drop in' and discuss any attendance or SEN queries with her. The dates are:</p> <p>Thursday 19 May 9am to 10am Thursday 26 May 2.30pm to 3.30pm</p>
<p>Measles</p>	<p>There have been cases of measles reported in the London area in the past three months. If your child is showing signs (irritability, runny nose, red eyes, cough and increasing fever), please inform your GP by telephone and contact the School Office. Further information can be found online at NHS Choices:</p> <p>www.nhs.uk/Pages/HomePage.aspx</p>
<p>School Meals – Special Diets or Allergies</p>	<p>If your child has been advised by their GP or healthcare professional to either follow a special diet, or to avoid certain foods containing any of the 'identified' allergens as per the Food Information for Consumers Regulations 2014, please notify Mrs Larkin in the School Office, and then contact Edwards and Ward on their Special Diet and Allergen helpline, which is 01934 615616. Thank you.</p>
<p>Year 5 Trip to the Windmill</p>	<p>Year 5 had a lovely trip to the Windmill yesterday, where they went on a nature trail and visited the Information Centre, as part of their Science work on lifecycles. They had a great time, and we would like to thank Mrs Johnston for organising this.</p>



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<p>Slip, Slop, Slap!</p> 	<p>As the brighter weather comes along, please ensure your child becomes 'sun smart': Slip on a shirt; Slop on some sun cream; Slap on a hat.</p>
<p>Water Bottles</p> 	<p>Please also make sure your child has their water bottle in school at all times to help prevent them from getting dehydrated, particularly in the hotter weather. The bottle should be clearly labelled with your child's name, and should contain only water. Squash and fruit juice should not be brought into school.</p>
<p>E-Safety Meeting</p> 	<p>We apologise that our E-Safety Meeting had to be postponed last week. This was unavoidable and due to staff illness, and we will reschedule this as soon as possible. In the meantime, please have a look at the following link from the NSPCC, which offers some sensible advice on keeping your child safe online: https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/</p>
<p>Community Notices</p> 	<p>Spare Tyre Theatre Group – Free Events 29 May: Workshop at the Kairos Centre, 30 May: Historic walk, visiting Roehampton House, Grove House and Hospital Museum, 12 June: Performance at the Kairos Centre. For further information, please visit www.sparetyre.org. St Cecilia's C E School, London SW18 13 June: Open Event for parents of children in current Year 5, 9am - 12pm. Please contact admissions@stcecilias.london or ring 020 8780 6145. Wimbledon and Putney Commons Conservators Oak Processionary Moth (OPM) has been found on the commons. OPOM caterpillars feed on Oak leaves, and produce silken nests that, if touched, can cause skin rashes and sometimes sore throats. If you see nests or caterpillars, please contact Peter Haldane, peter@wpcc.org.uk. Merton Active Plus – Half Term Activities for Children 30 May to 3 June. Lots of half term activities for children to enjoy, including horse riding, song writing, multi-sports, sailing, badminton, watersports and squash. For further information, please visit http://booking.merton.gov.uk/active-plus.</p>
<p>Dates for Your Diary</p>	
<p>Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June Half Term Week – school and nursery closed Monday 13 June Queen's Birthday Celebrations Friday 24 June Sports Day Monday 27 June – Friday 1 July Arts Week</p>	<p>Monday 18 July Sponsored Walk and Picnic at the Windmill Wednesday 20 July Year 6 Leavers' Service 9.15am End of summer term – children finish at 2pm</p>
<p><i>“School is a building which has four walls, with tomorrow inside.”</i> Lon Watters</p>	