

**Book Week 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> March**

The children all enjoyed and learnt so much from the Belloc and Broadwood project. The poetry and song performances in Friday's assembly were a joy to watch. Thank you to #Belloc,BroadwoodandBeyond for making language so motivational.



More photos can be found + videos to follow at <https://belloc-broadwood.org.uk/gallery/>

Thank you also to all the parents who helped their children come in such wonderful costumes on World Book Day. Watch this space for a new whole school photo...

*Under the DfE legislation, it is a legal obligation for all state schools to be inclusive; and each school is accountable to OFSTED for their provision. RPS prides itself on being increasingly inclusive. What does this mean? Essentially meeting the needs of all pupils, and providing equal opportunities for all. Pupils with Specific Educational Needs, those of average ability, those with high ability, those from disadvantaged backgrounds, those with acknowledged Social, Emotional and Mental Health needs. Updated details about how we support SEN pupils can be found on the school website: RPS SEN policy and SEN Information report.*

**Autism Awareness Week 1<sup>st</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> April**

Autism is a 'hidden disability', which to varying degrees affects over 1% of the UK population (National Autistic Society). Autistic traits can remain undiagnosed in many people. Although the impacts of the condition are not often obvious to the casual observer, children with the condition can find managing school and life in general very challenging. More information can be found at <https://www.autism.org.uk/about/what-is/myths-facts-stats.aspx>.

Mr. A has been speaking to Joe James, a diagnosed autistic man from Horsham. Mr James is keen to raise awareness of Autism, and is currently engaging schools across Sussex to speak about his experiences as a child and as an adult. A provisional date has been booked for Mr James to talk to our pupils in an assembly. Mr James is also keen to talk to teachers and parents. Please watch this space for an opportunity in May. Meanwhile, check out his work at <http://autisticphotography.co.uk/>

**Forest Schools**

After a successful trial since half term, RPS intends to incorporate Forest Schools permanently. All pupils from Y1 upwards will receive some sessions each school year. This will start with Hobbit class this coming summer term. More info to follow...

**Governors**

A big thank you from RPS governors to all parents for taking the time to respond to questionnaires at the consultation evenings before half term. We were very pleased with the overall results. The data derived from these questionnaires will be shared with you by email. The data and detail of your responses has been passed on to school staff, who are responsible for addressing any key areas of concern. Thank you again for all your support

**FORPS**

Looking forward to seeing you all at the annual Easter Trail at Ghyll Manor. Tickets £3 from school office. Easter egg to take home.

Don't forget... Non-school uniform day on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Please bring a bottle to donate for the school's stall at May Day.

Look out for May Day Family Fun Run registration forms. These will be coming home after the Easter break, and will need returning by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

**Dance Festival 18<sup>th</sup> March**



RPS rocking the Capitol Theatre  
Details to log on for the photographs are as follows – [www.dephoto.biz/horsh](http://www.dephoto.biz/horsh) and event code : ford.  
If you have any problems contact [Dave.h@dephoto.co.uk](mailto:Dave.h@dephoto.co.uk)

**Science Week 11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> March**



Parent Power helped pupils to understand how science is applied to different jobs, in person and through the creation of resources. BSW funding will support the publication of a resource to use in the future. Other exciting 1<sup>st</sup> hand learning included mummifying fruit and cake baking.

**Comic Relief 15<sup>th</sup> March**

We all had a great day and were thrilled to raise £80 for the cause. Congratulations to the following children for the wackiest hair...  
Kaiyah , Sophie, Kerry-Leigh  
George, Paision, Henry



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**For the diary...**

- 6<sup>th</sup> May:** May Day in Rusper
- 10<sup>th</sup> May:** FORPS meeting – 9:10 in Village Hall
- 13<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> May:** Y6 SATs Week + Bikeability
- 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> June:** Hobbit PGL trip
- 5<sup>th</sup> July:** Sports Day (pm)

**Club Capacity**

Thank you to those parents who have signed their children up for clubs in the Summer Term. We work hard to organise varied opportunities for our pupils. As external providers run most clubs, we need to have enough children in each club to make them viable. All the clubs currently have spaces in. The following percentages indicate how much of the capacity for each club we have currently filled.

- KS1 Multi skills: 90 %**
  - Dance: 90%**
  - Fitness First: 62%**
  - Tennis: 33%**
  - Golf: 33%**
  - KS1 Spanish: 16% KS2 Spanish: 33%**
- Tae Kwondo Club has had to be cancelled due to the lack of take up.

**NOTICE**

Please can parents help to reinforce that pupils should only be doing the Daily Mile before school if their own parent supervises them. Unless by special arrangement, the school does not take responsibility for child safety before 8:50am. Only the Wellbeing Walk for walking/jogging and the gym equipment are to be used before school starts. Thank you.