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Roughwood Primary School Newsletter

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Stratford Residential:

Children in class 6 have been on the Stratford Residential this week. The children started the week on a River Cruise on the River Avon learning about the history of the town, followed by a visit to Williams Shakespeare's birthplace where we learnt about his early family life. During the week we visited Tudor World museum to learn about life in the Tudor Times hearing about crimes and the punishments. We have taken a walk through town visiting Shakespeare's school and even tried to write with a quill which was tricky! The children have thrown themselves into all the activities and workshops throughout the week and have had a fabulous time! Please take a look at the blog to see what the children have been doing: <u>https://rop2023stratford.wordpress.com/</u>



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Measuring in cubes escape room:

In class 1 the children have been learning about mass and weight. We have been learning to compare the mass of objects and how to find their weight in cubes. To challenge the children they completed an escape room. To escape they had to find a code which linked to the weight of specific items in their baskets. The children really enjoyed this immersive math experience!



Investigating Money in Class 2:

Today, class 2 have had purses and money baskets with different coins in. Whilst Miss Brown is away on residential, children have had to to count their money, convert it from pennies to pounds and pence, and then compare how much we had with our friends to see who had the most. then solved an investigation and worked out how many combinations of coins we could have if we had 5 coins that were all copper.



Willow Tree Academy - Year 3 and 4 Basketball:

A fantastic event at Herringthorpe as children from all four schools participated in Year 3/4 Basketball festival. Amazing skills on show from all the children putting into practice skills developed in PE lessons and after school clubs. A great opportunity to prepare for the Rotherham School Games Basketball event later in the term.



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Drama and Movement in Literacy Throughout History:

In our history lessons, we've been learning about the Spanish Armada and where it sailed after leaving Lisbon. During these lessons, the children were expected to use powerful facial expressions, specific body language and movements to depict how the fleet moved from Spain and then through the English Channel, and take on the British Navy. During our 'rehearsal to performance process', the children have been using drama to explain the journey which the fleet took to assist with their explanation test.



Y6 History - Women in WW2:

Following our World War 2 topic, Year 6 have learnt about the different roles of women during the war. Each group were assigned a job – there were shipbuilders, munitions workers, land army girls, ambulance drivers and ARP wardens. We read information about each role and then devised a short role play activity where we used facial expression, body language and movements to depict our given job. During our performance, the children in other groups had to guess the job we had.



Y3/4 'Our Diverse World' Immersive Day:

Children took part in many immersive activities such as: learning about culture through songs and instruments. Children learned how to play songs in different languages using Glockenspiels. Learning about different flags and their National emblems through a riddle quiz buster. Researching different climates through purple mash and chromebooks. Creating a collaborative art piece using water colour paint to show that countries make up one big diverse world.



Reminders:



- Parents Evening Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th March Book appointments through Arbor
- Class Photos Tuesday 5th Children to be in full uniform
- Thursday 7th March Autism/Sensory Coffee Morning Book place on Arbor
- Thursday 7th March World Book Day
- Red Nose Day Friday 15th March



Our Target is 96%. Remember everyday matters at school.

We always call if we have no reason why children are not in school. Please inform the office if your child is not able to attend.

Please be aware that we cannot release children early from school without seeing an appointment letter or card.

Online Safety - Parental Controls.

Parental controls help you to block or filter upsetting or inappropriate content and control purchases within apps. You can install parental control software on your child's and family's phones or tablets, games consoles, laptops and your home internet.

Parental controls can help you to

- plan what time of day your child can go online and for how long.
- create content filters to block apps that may have inappropriate content
- manage the content different family members can see.

Visit the NSPCC Website for help with setting up controls. https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/

Healthy School Lunchbox

At Roughwood we are a healthy school. As a healthy school, we ask that packed lunches are as healthy as possible to give children the best start to afternoon learning. Our school dinners are a perfect way to receive a healthy lunch. All ingredients are carefully selected and all school meals have a range of Meat, fish, vegetables and carbohydrates to make them a great choice. If you prefer to bring your own lunch, see some of the great ideas at https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes#lunchbox-recipes



We ask that packed lunches not contain crisps and chocolate bars. Check our website HERE

NSPCC Worried about a child? 0808 800 5000 help@nspcc.org.uk

