

# Rothwell Schools News

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Welcome to another issue of Rothwell Schools News, it is hard to believe we are about to begin the final week of the academic year next week; I am certain that the 19-20 school year will be memorable one for children, parents and staff when we look back and reflect on all that we have achieved, challenges we have tackled and the resilience we have all shown.

All parents/carer should have received your child's annual report in the post this week and their allocated class teacher for the new academic year. The school office also emailed home to all parents a copy of our parents' handbook updated for 20-21 which answers any frequently asked questions about the organisation of our schools. Alongside this a link was sent for you to complete the pupil data collection form, it is essential this is completed annually for every child to ensure the information we hold is accurate and up to date. It is important that each child's record contains at least 3 family members who can be contacted in an emergency. The form can be accessed on the following link: [Pupil Data Collection Form 20-21](#). If you are able please complete as soon as possible as this will allow our office staff more time to update the larger number of records that we need to check.

## **Pathfinder Poetry Competition**

Congratulations to Jessica N in Year 5 who was the winner in the Key Stage 2 category competition after her winning entry was selected by author and newsreader Chris Smith. Jessica has received a national book token as a prize and some personalised feedback on entry. A big well done to our runners up from the Rothwell Schools: Mika, Freddie, Ava, Ruby and Matilda. If you would like to hear the winning entries read by Chris head over to the Pathfinder Schools YouTube channel <https://youtu.be/JzwwglxAKNMI> for a listen.

## **FSM Vouchers**

The final term time FSM vouchers have been ordered these should be delivered to families on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July. Alongside this a single £90 voucher (per eligible child to cover 6 weeks of £15) as part of the COVID Summer Food Fund has been ordered for the summer holidays, these will be delivered to families on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July. If you have not received this voucher on this date, please check your junk mail before contacting the school office so any queries can be resolved before the end of term next Friday.

## **What is appropriate for your child?**

We would like to remind parents of the PEGI system that is designed to inform you of what's suitable for different ages. All games released in the UK will have one of the following PEGI age ratings on the packaging: 3, 7, 12, 16 or 18. The rating means that the game shouldn't be played by a young person under that age. There may be content within the game that could be harmful, frightening or worrying to developing children.



We encourage you to have conversations with your child about staying safe online. Often children see age restrictions as 'difficulty level' rather than inappropriate context that is there to keep them safe. It's important to consider age ratings for different platforms as well as games bought from a store. If you have downloaded new apps or bought new technology to help stay connected at this time, remember to review and adjust privacy and safety settings if you or your child is signing up to a new online service. We have seen recent examples of where younger children have been acting out scenarios from inappropriate games within their play. Please support us by following the guidelines above.

## **Fiesta Holiday Camp**

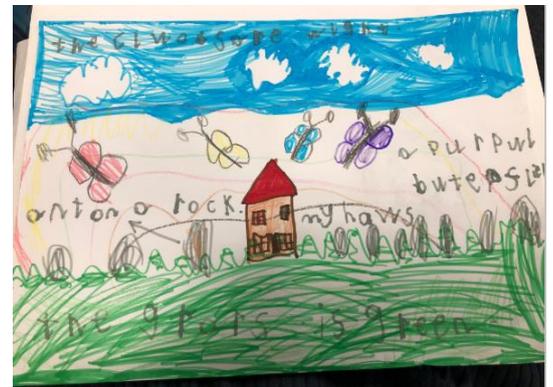
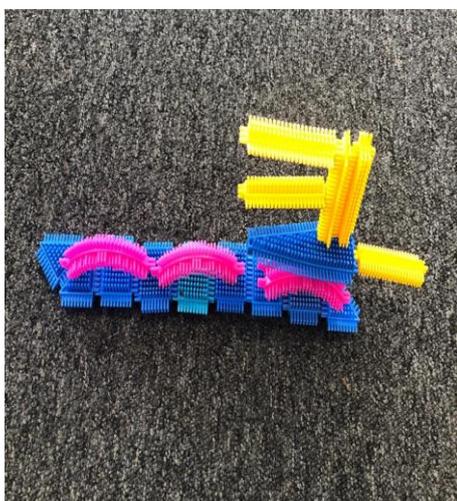
Fiesta Sports will be running a holiday camp at Rothwell Junior School open to all children [Reception (aged 5) through to Year 6] during the weeks commencing 20<sup>th</sup> July and 27<sup>th</sup> July in line with COVID guidelines around

social bubbles. Details about the camp were emailed home to families this week and bookings are to made directly with them <https://www.fiestasportscoaching.co.uk/make-a-booking/?step=1> 50% of the cost is being subsidised by our school PE premium for all pupils so costs can be kept lower at £7.50 per child per day.

**School Showcase**

In nursery the children have been role playing volcanoes erupting. We all have to keep climbing out of the way of lava to keep ourselves safe! We decided to create our own erupting volcano and it was very exciting when it erupted.

This week Reception have been busy creating their own vases at forest school containing natural flowers. The children showed really care, concentration and enjoyment with this task. One of the children made a model of the Loch Ness Monster! A picture of a garden that has been labelled.

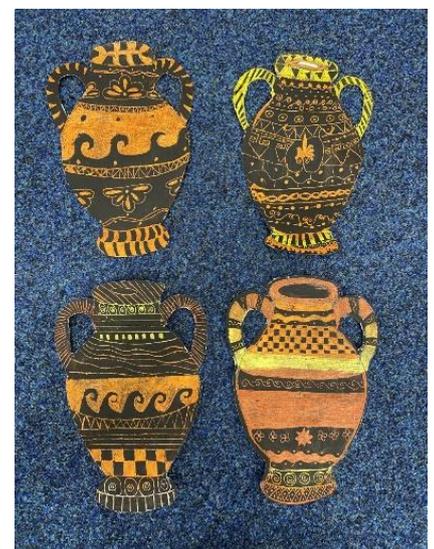


This week Etna bubble have loved reading George's Marvellous Medicine and designing their own magical potions. We made moving brown hens with extendable legs which feature in the book.



Year 6 have drawn a vase, coloured it in with pastels, painted over in black and then scratched off the paint to create patterns.

Year 6 have sketched Minotaurs this week. They spent a long time on them but the outcome was worth it!



## **Virtual Sports Day**

This week each bubble has participated in 10 activities for our Virtual Sports Day. Scores were collated virtually to find the winner of each activity. Congratulations to the winner of each activity, listed below! Year 6 have also competed against Year 7 at Montsaye in their events, we look forward to finding out the results soon.

<b>Event</b>	<b>Infant School Winner</b>	<b>Junior School Winner</b>
Long jump	Harley Hummingbird Bubble	Alfie Oak Bubble
Shot Put	Leo Woodpecker Bubble	Ole Willow Bubble
Keepy Uppy	Shelby Canary Bubble	Mason Mars Bubble
Stork Stand	Joseph Owl Bubble	Lottie/Mia Year 5 Bubble
Sit-ups	Shelby Canary Bubble	Mason Mars Bubble
Speed Bounce	James Owl Bubble	Ole Willow Bubble
Ball Throw	Elsie Hummingbird Bubble Jacob Robin Bubble George Owl Bubble	Braydon Cedar Bubble
Plank	Aisla Woodpecker Bubble	Oscar Mars Bubble
Ball Bounce	Andrew Woodpecker Bubble	Nico Oak Bubble
Burpees	Elula Robin Bubble	Mason Mars Bubble

Stay Safe and thank you for your continued support,



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p.s Please see term dates for the academic years 20-21 and 21-22 attached with this newsletter