

THE ROCHE SCHOOL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Dear Parents,

The focus this week has been on the pleasure of poetry and we have seen a series of lovely activities. On Tuesday, the whole school took part in a workshop called 'A Celebration in Rhyme'. In year groups, they worked together to write and perform a collaborative school poem in just a day! We began with an assembly in which the wonderful Jackson Kavanagh (from As Creatives) kickstarted the creative proceedings. The Poetry Week assembly took place today and we watched the finalists recite their own poems as well as those by well-known poets. Congratulations to all who took part this week - winner or not. You all entered the spirit of it beautifully. Special congratulations to Mili, Lily, Astrid and Ori for holding the stage so incredibly well. It was a difficult job for judges Mrs Melanie and Ms Anto as the standard was high. Huge thanks to Miss Amy (Head of English) for organising.

Next week, we have two lovely events. The Eisteddfod will take place on Thursday 19th May when we welcome a specialist judge to The Roche School to listen to the wide and varied musical talent at the school. Then we have Run 4 Us on Friday. Thank you for your sponsorship efforts so far and please keep it up! It's the big charity fundraiser of our year and we can do a lot of good. Please come and watch your child run (schedule to follow) and do a lap or two yourself. Spikes not needed!

The Thursday Talk (19th May) for Lower School parents is on Emotional Resilience in young children and will be full of top tips to help your post-pandemic child increase in confidence and self-esteem as well as outlining the work done in school building social and emotional intelligence. This will be led by Louise Gilmartin (Head of Pastoral Care) and Kate Wiffen (Lower School Lead) and will take place at 8.15am in the school hall.

Trips this week have included The Roche Nursery Schools going to a discovery centre to see how the world works, and Year 6 pupils visiting Little Village - a charity for under-5s and those all-important early years. Pupils spent the afternoon sorting puzzles and toys, and cleaning as well as learning more about the operational side of the charity. There was a Quidditch tournament in West Sussex which I believe we won (excellent flying, team) and a chess tournament at Hurlingham School.

From FORS and myself a huge thank you for Movie Night - especially to Nicole Morjaria and Andrea Gamble for spearheading it. Talking of amazing parents who organise things, I would encourage more of you to think about getting involved with FORS. They are looking for new parents to join the committee and/or run events. On the basis that "many hands make light work" please do think about it. It's fun and it's valuable and appreciated. Please e-mail rochefriends@gmail.com or have a chat to Susie or any one of the team. Parent fun is currently on the menu with the summer party at *Le Gothique* - tickets on Classlist now.

We are instituting a book recommendation each week from Mrs Melanie so please find the review attached on your right. Entitled Amari and the Night Brothers it is suitable for those around the age of ten but can be read to younger children.

And finally, exciting news from Miss Izzy's class! Egg number one has hatched and been christened Rosie by the class. Egg number two tentatively known as Lavender (thank you Felicity) should appear soon and we have great expectations of egg number three over the next few days. Do have a look at them on the webcam.

Have a lovely weekend,

Vania

Summer Term 2022

Thursday 19th May, Eisteddfod

Thursday 19th May, 8.15am, Main Hall, Parent Talk for Lower School on Emotional Resilience Post-Pandemic

Friday 20th May, Run For Us

Sports Fixtures and Results

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