



Junior School Bulletin



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LOOK OUT 'CAUSE HERE I COME

I wanted to say a special 'well done' to all of the new starters to the RGS JS!

Using *This Is Me* from *The Greatest Showman* as an inspiration, I challenged all new starters to arrive with particular lyrics running through their minds...

'Look out 'cause here I come, and I'm marching on the beat I drum, I'm not scared to be seen, I make no apologies, this is me...'

Starting a new school is never an easy task but I've been so impressed with the smiling faces, the questions, the uptake of clubs, the friendliness and the determination that has been on display. I'm equally impressed with the contribution made by the 'old hands' who have been supportive through the buddy system, in the yard and around the classrooms. We are RGS.

Mr Miller



TREMENDOUS TOP TRUMPING!



Here's a picture of the first Top Trumps Club of the year!

There were 48 'Trumpers', across all year groups, enjoying the September sunshine and a game.

Great to see!

Mr L (AKA Senior Trumper)



WATER BOTTLES



Please remind your child to bring a named water bottle into school every day.

Thank you.



CHILDREN'S CANCER RUN Sunday 26th September

The Children's Cancer Run is on this Sunday at Gosforth Park. As you are already aware, we are unable to run together as a school team this time - but it still promises to be a great event and I'm hoping to run, along with one or two other members of RGS staff.

If you take part, please remember to take a photo or two to send to Mr Cragg for his weekly Sports Magazine:

a.cragg@rgs.newcastle.sch.uk

I might see you there!

Miss Gravely

DOODLELEARNING WEBINARS

DoodleLearning will be hosting a 20 minute parent webinar to help you make the most out of your child's Doodle subscription! This will be held at 8pm on Tuesday 28th September. In the webinar, you will learn:

- How Doodle works;
- What the programmes look like from a child's perspective;
- How to use the Parent Dashboard and Parent Connect app to monitor and motivate their child;
- How to get help with anything Doodle related.

To join the webinar, please [visit this page](#) 5 minutes before the webinar start time and click on the link to join.

Mr Lloyd



TOKENS

CLASS TOKENS COMPETITION

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A **BIG** well done to Class 4LW who won the *Class Tokens Competition* last week. Here's a photo of them enjoying their well-deserved breakfast:



Mrs Cree

Saw My Teacher on a Saturday



Saw my teacher on a Saturday!
I can't believe it's true!
I saw her buying groceries,
like normal people do!

She reached for bread and turned around
and then she caught my eye.
She gave a smile and said, "Hello."
I thought that I would die!

"Oh, hi . . . hello, Miss Appleton,"
I mumbled like a fool.
I guess I thought that teacher types
spend all their time at school.

To make the situation worse,
my mom was at my side.
So many rows of jars and cans.
So little room to hide.

Oh, please, I thought, *don't tell my mom
what I did yesterday!*
I closed my eyes and held my breath
and hoped she'd go away.

Some people think it's fine to let
our teachers walk about.
But when it comes to Saturdays,
they shouldn't let them out!



MATHS PUZZLE OF THE WEEK



Last week's Puzzle & Solution:

First, I'd like you to find a path through this grid, moving to adjacent horizontal or vertical squares, spelling out all the integers from 1 to 9.

N	O	R	R	H	T
E	N	U	E	E	S
N	I	O	F	X	I
E	I	G	I	V	E
T	E	H	F	N	E
W	O	T	S	E	V

N	O	R	R	H	T
E	N	U	E	E	S
N	I	O	F	X	I
E	I	G	I	V	E
T	E	H	F	N	E
W	O	T	S	E	V

This week's Puzzle:

TIC-TAC-TOTAL

Find a winning tic-tac-toe on each game board. One game must contain a diagonal win, one must contain a horizontal win, and one game must contain a vertical win. Additionally, each number 1 to 9 must be included in your three winning lines!

2	5	9	9	4	3	5	9	1
7	6	4	2	6	8	4	6	3
1	3	8	1	5	7	7	2	8

Please submit your answer, along with any of your own, real-life puzzles (and answers!), to me:

t.lloyd@rgs.newcastle.sch.uk

Thank you.

Mr Lloyd

CONGRATULATIONS.....

.... to Ani K (4AW) who attended his first camp last weekend, spending 3 days and 2 nights away from home for the first time with his Cubs friends. He learnt a lot of new skills and is now looking forward to school residential trips in the future.



Well done, Ani!

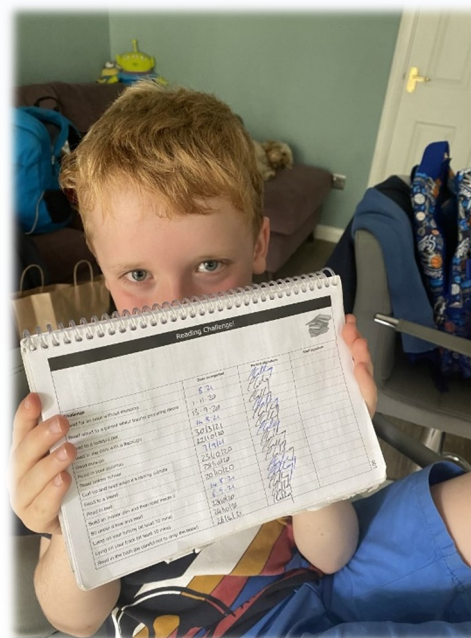
.... to Lyla S who was thrilled to be awarded a Distinction in her first LAMDA exam. She got 93% which is amazing!



Well done Lyla - what a great result!

AND CONGRATULATIONS.....

.... to Ben G (4MH) who was recently awarded his Bronze award from Beavers and has now moved up to Cubs. He was also very proud to have completed the reading challenge over the summer.



Well done, Ben - let us know how you get on at Cubs!

MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL CELEBRATIONS

Sophia S (4MH) and Edward S (3T) celebrated the Mid-Autumn Festival on Tuesday. The full moon signifies reunion in Chinese culture, and the festival is best celebrated with family and loved ones, with a lot of lanterns and mooncakes!



What a wonderful celebration—thanks for sharing the lovely photos with us!

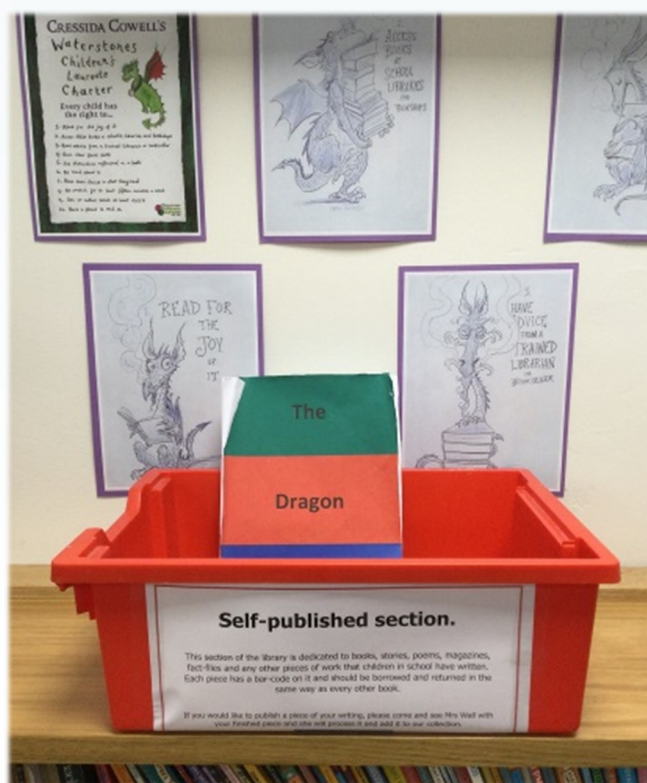
CHILDREN'S WRITING IN THE LIBRARY

This year, children will find a new section in each of our libraries: a self-published section where Junior School children can share their own writing with everybody else in school. The writing can be anything they choose (stories, comics, leaflets, fact-files, poems) whatever they enjoy writing.

Once the piece has been finished, they should pass it to me and I will read it before adding a bar code and putting it in the library. Once there, anybody in school is free to borrow it and it will go through our library system in the same way all our other books do.

I know we have many children in school who enjoy writing so I'm looking forward to seeing this section of the library grow as we make our way through the year. Who knows, we may even get some writing from a few of the teachers!

As you can see from the picture, the first piece is already ready to be borrowed:



Congratulations to George C (4AW)for being our first official self-published RGS Junior School author.

Mrs Wall

YEAR 6 CLASSES VISIT KIRKNEWTON

"I really enjoyed my time at Kirknewton because of all the fun activities. I especially enjoyed clambering up Yeavinger Bell - it was super fun, plus we got Starbursts! My other favourite thing about Kirknewton was doing the art activities on the first day - I found it really relaxing and loved getting the creative juices flowing!" **Ellie A-J**

"I really liked Kirknewton and I think it was a great experience and a good way to learn new things. We did some art, maths with leaves and even did some orienteering. I enjoyed climbing Yeavinger Bell, although I felt very tired at the top! My favourite part was sitting by the fire and having story whilst drinking hot chocolate." **Kathy P**

"My highlight of Kirknewton was sitting around the fire. I also enjoyed choosing a settlement and planning the tribe dance, handshake, speech and making a flag." **Jake M**

"The Y6 trip to Kirknewton was the best! The tasks were lots of fun. At night, we sat round a fire and had hot chocolate. I think the best task was either setting up the tents or the art task. So, all in all, it was amazing!" **Theo C**

"When we went to Kirknewton, we made our tents which I found quite hard but super fun. My favourite part of the second day was when we had to find a good place to make a village and we also had to make a flag and do a tribe dance. Thank you to all the staff who took us." **Matilda P**

