

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear parents and carers,

I can't believe that I am writing the last newsletter of the academic year. Where has the year gone?! We had a lovely whole school assembly today where we celebrated our very best attendees and sports day champions. As well as that, we recognised that every child has demonstrated excellence in one form or other and we shared how proud we are of all our children and the journey they have been on this year.

It is the end of my second year now and I am so grateful to the school and community for your continued support as we move forward and develop the school. This year again I can look back at many collective successes and I am genuinely proud to be the head here at Rotherfield. You as parents are such a key part of that and your openness and willingness to share thoughts with us have made us able to act and move forward.

I am also so proud and thankful to our staff team, who really do go above and beyond to provide the very best to each child. I watch them everyday and am so moved by the way they talk so compassionately and kindly about your children and think so carefully about how they will change and adapt their practice to get the best from each child. We are very lucky to have the team that we do here at Rotherfield.

We are sad to be saying our final farewell to Year 6 and wish them all the best as they move on to secondary school and beyond. They have made us immensely proud in so many ways and seeing them shine this week at both the play and sports day brought a few tears to lot of us!

I hope the summer is everything you hope and planned for. Looking forward to seeing you full of energy and enthusiasm again in September.

THIS WEEKS TOP NEWS - Year 6 Performance - Matilda

For almost a month, the Year 6 children have been diligently preparing for their very own performance of Matilda. The process began with auditions for various roles, and selecting parts proved to be a real challenge due to the impressive singing and acting talents demonstrated by so many of our pupils.

Those who were able to attend the performance will appreciate just how challenging some of the songs are to learn. Despite this being an especially busy time of year in school, the children have managed exceptionally well to learn all the songs and accompanying actions within a limited timeframe.

The standard of acting displayed has been outstanding. Many pupils have been seen around school with scripts in hand, rehearsing their lines - a clear sign of their dedication and determination to deliver their very best. Most importantly, every child performed with a smile on their face and gave it their all, embodying the spirit of teamwork and enthusiasm.

A heartfelt thank you to all the parents, carers, and family members who came to support our children. We truly appreciate you taking the time to attend, and we are grateful for your encouragement and for being such a wonderful audience.

The performances on Tuesday and Wednesday were a tremendous success, and a huge well done goes to our children for their hard work and talent. A sincere thank you also to the staff who helped source and create props in preparation for the show - your support was invaluable, and we couldn't have done it without you.



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

STARS OF THE WEEK

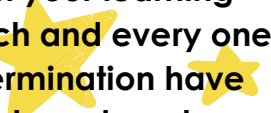


Whole school: 83.7%
National: 95%

As we wrap up this year, we want to take a moment to celebrate every single pupil in our school. Whether you've been a curious learner, a kind friend, a helpful classmate, a creative thinker, or a quiet achiever — you have all contributed something truly special to our school community.



We've seen so much growth, effort, and joy in your learning this year, and we are incredibly proud of each and every one of you. Your resilience, enthusiasm, and determination have made this year a success, and your teachers have loved watching you shine.



So this week, we don't have just a few Stars of the Week — we have a whole Galaxy of Greatness. Well done to all of you — you are ALL our stars!

Wishing you a restful and happy holiday!

Cedar	96%
Palm	94%
Rowan	92%
Ash	92%
Oak	91%
Apple	90%
Mulberry	88%
Maple	87%
Beech	86%
Elm	85%
Holly	85%
Willow	83%
Pine	82%
Silver birch	80%

TOP DOODLERS -

MAPLE

DOODLE TABLES-

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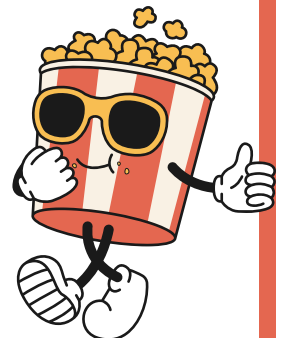


Using Doodle Maths for 10 minutes per day can have a huge impact on your child's progress and attainment. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you need your login details or any support with the app.

POPCORN PARTY

(as chosen by the pupil voice)

Well done to **Cedar** class
for having the highest
attendance this week!



Tiago's Weekly Recipe - Couscous Picnic pots

As we come to the end of another term, I just wanted to say a heartfelt thank you.

Thank you for reading the recipes, for trying new ingredients at home, and for being open to new ideas around food. Thank you for supporting your child's journey through the school's meals and for preparing their packed lunches even when the mornings are busy —because that counts too, a lot! Food is one of the ways we care, connect, and comfort. This year, I've loved sharing recipes and ideas that support that connection between you and your children. At the school, it's been a joy seeing so many little ones become more curious, confident, and adventurous with food.

Here's one final recipe to enjoy as the sunshine arrives. It's light, fresh, and perfect for picnics or lunchboxes—whether you go for the chickpea version or the simple, tasty chicken twist.

Have a delicious summer,
Tiago.

Summer Lunchbox Extras:

Pair with:

A slice of melon or fruit skewers

A mini low sugar muffin or oat bar

A bottle of water with a sprig of mint or lemon slices

A small treat such as honey yoghurt with berries

Ingredients (Makes 4 portions):

- 200g couscous
- 1 vegetable stock cube
- 1 tin (400g) chickpeas, drained and rinsed or 2 cooked chicken breasts, shredded or diced
- 1 red pepper, diced
- 1 cucumber, diced
- 2 medium carrots, grated
- Small bunch of parsley or mint, chopped (optional)
- 1 lemon (zest + juice)
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste

Method:

1. Cook the couscous:
Put the couscous in a large bowl. Dissolve the stock cube in 300ml boiling water and pour over. Cover with a plate and let sit for 5 minutes. Fluff with a fork.
1. Prepare the protein:
 - For chickpeas: Toss them in olive oil, lemon zest, juice, herbs, salt and pepper.
 - For chicken: Shred or dice cooked chicken breasts and mix with olive oil, lemon zest and juice, herbs, salt and pepper.
2. Add the veg:
Stir the red pepper, cucumber, and carrots into the couscous.
1. Mix together:
Fold through the chickpeas or chicken. Adjust seasoning if needed—add more lemon for brightness or a drizzle of olive oil for softness.
1. Pack it up:
Spoon into containers and keep chilled until lunch. Enjoy cold!

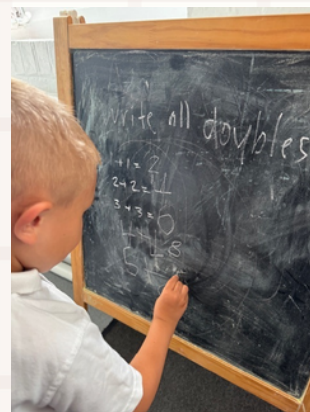
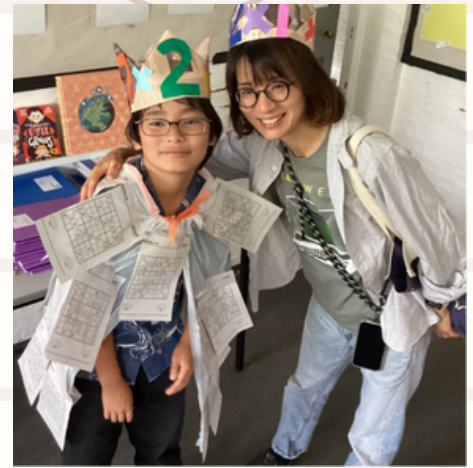
Go Ape Adventure

As part of an exciting enrichment programme, four lucky children from our school were chosen to take part in a special trip to Go Ape! They joined pupils from six other Islington schools for a day full of adventure, teamwork, and fun. Everyone had a fantastic time swinging through the trees and challenging themselves in the great outdoors!



Maths Day

Year 5 had a fantastic Maths Day filled with fun and learning. We took part in a workshop exploring how maths is used in real-life jobs. Pupils were amazed to discover how deeply maths is woven into everyday life — calculating medication doses, managing salon appointments, designing video game worlds, and much more. The workshop helped us see that maths isn't just something we learn at school — it's something we use everywhere in the world. We also dressed up in brilliant maths-themed outfits and celebrated how numbers, shapes, and problem-solving are part of our daily lives. A great day of maths in action!



Maths Day Fun in Reception!

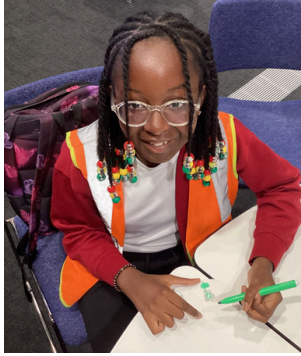
Our Reception children had a fantastic time celebrating Maths Day! They explored printing with 3D shapes, matched numbers to quantities, and had lots of fun building towers to compare the tallest and shortest. A great day of hands-on learning!



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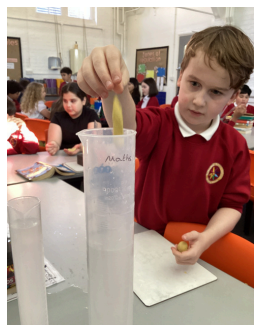
Year 5 - Cyber Bullying Workshop

Year 5 have completed many workshops both this week and last. We were joined by the Police Officer Steve who taught us about cyber bullying. We attended the institute of physics for a workshop exploring the world of mini matter. We also were visited by Growing Against Violence who taught us the dangers of the online world. What an exciting 2 weeks for Year 5!



Year 5 - End of year

Courtney and I would like to thank the parents and carers in Year 5. It has been another wonderful year! The children should be very proud of their class assembly, enthusiasm for sport, many science experiments and love for reading. The children have shown such dedication for their learning and this showed in their end of year assessments! Well done year 5



Year 5 - Spanish

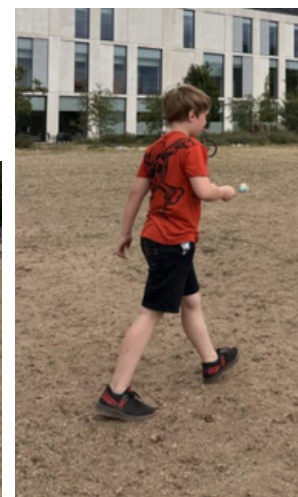
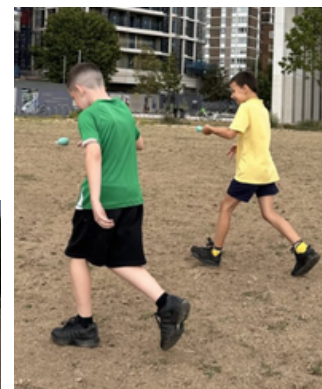
Having completed this half term's topic on air travel, Y5 took to the skies in their Spanish class this week by successfully boarding a plane, answering all questions from the steward in Spanish and ordering themselves an inflight meal. Particular congratulations go to Sibel and Adar who dealt with security problems with their documents!



Sports Day

What a fantastic day of sports, smiles, and school spirit yesterday! From powerful shot put throws to soaring long jumps and thrilling sprints, our students gave it their all. Energy and enthusiasm were high all around! The day ended with the much-loved Parents vs. Teachers Tug of War, full of fun and laughter — a perfect finish to an action-packed day.

A huge thank you to all students, staff and parents for making the day such a great success. We couldn't have done it without you!



REMINDERS - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

EVENTS	DATES
Year 6 - Islington Boat Club	Wednesday 16 th July/ Friday 18 th July
PTA Bake Sale	Friday 18 th July @3:30
Year 6 - Leavers Assembly	Monday 21 st July @9:15 - 9:45
Year 6 - Rosemary Garden Picnic	Tuesday 22 nd July (10:30 onwards)
Last day of school	Tuesday 22 nd July (8:30 - 3:30)
Children return to school	Tuesday 2 nd September

THERE WILL BE NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ON THE LAST DAY OF TERM - TUESDAY 22ND JULY

End-of-Year Messages of Thanks for Our Wonderful Staff

As we approach the end of another school year, we would like to offer families the opportunity to share messages of appreciation for our dedicated teachers, support staff and wider team. Your kind words mean a great deal and are a wonderful way to recognise the hard work, care, and commitment shown throughout the year. If you would like to leave a message of thanks for a particular member of staff—or for the whole team—please click [here](#). These messages will be shared with staff as part of our end-of-year celebrations. Thank you for your continued support and for helping to make it another great year at Rotherfield!

After School Club Subsidy

This is just a reminder that all families who currently receive an After School Club subsidy will need to reapply for the income assessment in September. This does not apply to Pupil Premium children who access Enrichment clubs at a discounted rate. A new form will be sent to you in September, or you can collect a new copy from the office.

Lettings / Hall Hire

Rotherfield has partnered with Sharesy to make booking our hall simple. Click below view our spaces, prices and availability: <https://www.sharesy.com/v/rotherfield-primary-school>
Parents/Carers of pupils attending Rotherfield can email the school for information on available discounted rates.

Islington Healthy School Advisor

Please click here to see community food services available within Islington
[Community Food Services - Islington Food Partnership](#)

Clubs contact info

Should you need to reach a staff member after 4PM regarding your child at after-school club (such as late collection from after school club), please call this number for immediate assistance: 07955184099