

Reynalds Cross School newsletter

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Term



dates



TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2023

SUMMER 2023

Term Ends: Tuesday 25th July 2023

TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2023/24

AUTUMN TERM 2023

Term starts: Monday 4th September 2023

Half term: Monday 30th October– Friday 3rd
November 2023

Term ends: Friday 22nd December 2023

SPRING TERM 2024

Term starts: Monday 8th January 2024

Half term: Monday 12th February- Friday 16th
February 2024

Term ends: Friday 22nd March 2024

SUMMER TERM 2024

Term starts: Monday 8th April 2024

Half term: Monday 27th May– Friday 31st May
2024

Term ends: Monday 22nd July 2024

TRAINING DAYS (pupils not in school)

Monday 4th September 2023

Tuesday 5th September 2023

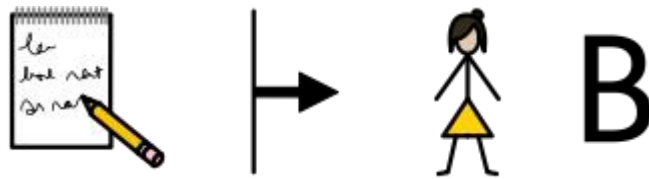
Friday 22nd December 2023

Friday 22nd March 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024



Message from Mrs Brettell



Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome to the last newsletter of this school year. I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on the successes and challenges we have faced together. It has been a year of great achievement, with our pupils demonstrating their commitment to learning and making progress. I am proud of the dedication and hard work shown by our pupils, teachers and staff, who have all played a part in the success of the school. One of the highlights of the year was the celebration of Renny the new school mascot! It was wonderful to see the whole school come together to mark this important occasion and see all the pupils enjoying the fun run and dancing. A huge thank you to everyone that raised money and donated to the fun run.

Many of our Reception pupils will be moving on to Year One at our main site at the end of this term and they have all had the opportunity to meet their teacher for next year during transition mornings this term.

We must also say a final goodbye to our 2023 pupil leavers who have shown commitment and dedication over the many years they have been with us.



It is always sad to say goodbye to members of staff. I wish Kirti and Linzi all the best in their new positions. Finally, Miss Sarah, who has been at the school for 15 years is leaving us to begin a new adventure in Scotland. We wish her all the best and thank you for the positive impact you have made to all the pupils you have worked with over the years. You will be missed by both pupils and staff alike.

Finally, I would like to wish all of our pupils, parents and staff a happy and safe summer break. I encourage you to take some time to rest and recharge, so that you can return to school in September ready to learn and succeed.

Thank you for your continued support.

Dawn

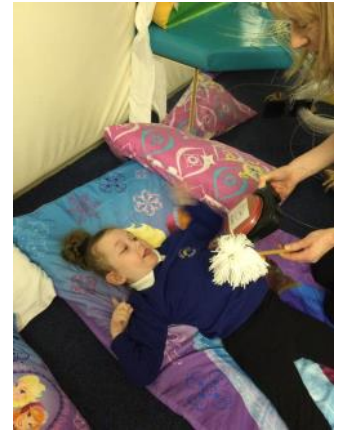


Shooting stars



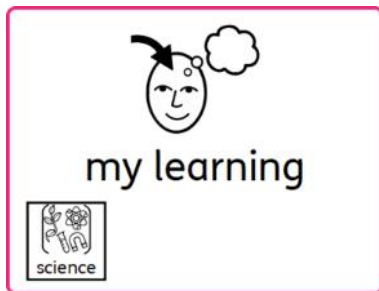
Shooting Stars have had a very busy half term. We have explored toys with different mechanisms, including spinning toys, and push button toys.

There have also been lots of mark making opportunities using materials such as crayons, foam, sand and glitter. Lots of fine motor skill development achieved in the process.





Sunshines

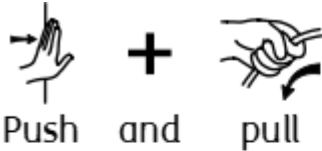


This half term in My Learning; science, Sunshines class have been exploring pull activities. They have played games such as 'Kerplunk', pulled apart bricks, explored party poppers, created pull string art activities and explored pull along toys.





Planets

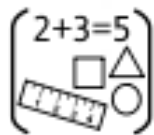


This half term, Planets Class have been working hard in Science, when learning about the forces 'push and pull'. Pupils have explored a range of resources independently, practicing using these forces to help them move. This has included pushing cars down a tunnel, pulling an elastic toy with help from a friend, and engaging with a tug of war on the playground!





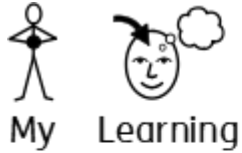
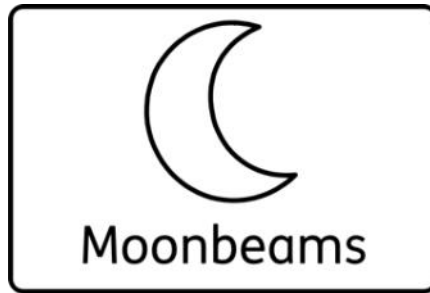
Rainbows



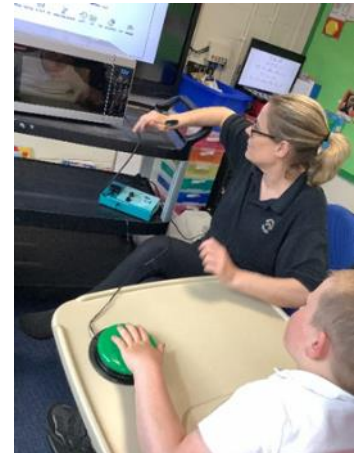
Maths

Rainbows class have been very busy this half term. In maths we have been learning about 3D shapes, including cubes, cones, spheres and cylinders. We have also had lots of fun making different treats for pets, including some dog biscuits which were taken to Birmingham dogs home!





This term in My Learning we have been making food treats for the pets of people within school. We have made treats for dogs, cats, horses and birds. We have poured, mixed and kneaded as well as used switches to operate microwaves and blenders.





Rockets



my communication

During this half term Rocket's class have worked really hard in our my communication lessons. In phonics we have enjoyed our sounds from around the home, and our road awareness sounds! We have also worked really hard on our PECS communication and using communication boards.



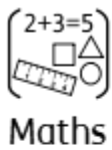


Comets



In the final weeks of the summer term we have been enjoying our trips to the local park. We were learning how to walk in the public spaces in pairs and holding hands. We also spotted some animals living in the park, such as ducks and squirrels.





In maths Galaxies have worked hard at recognising and identifying 2D and 3D shapes. Pupils have enjoyed a variety of shape activities including shape hunts, 3D shape sorters and creating some 2D shape art!



Mercury class

 
Communication skills

Mercury class have had a wonderful half term. We all worked hard on communication skills including PECS.

Pupils continued to focus on developing life skills making healthy choices .





Venus



Communication

Venus have been working on our communication, playing games and working together to share and take turns.





Mars

In mars class we have enjoyed all our stories

this year. We have really enjoyed books from Jan Fearnley

this term. We have enjoyed exploring sensory stimuli

and also food to create some characters from the stories.



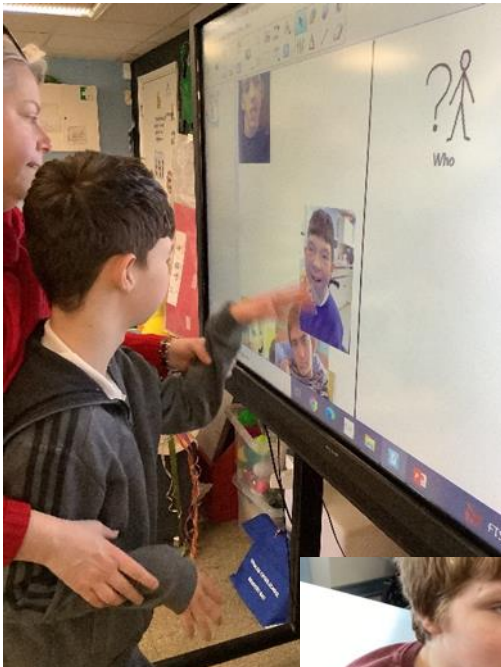


Jupiter

This year Jupiter have worked really hard in all aspects of the curriculum. We have had a fab year!

Well done everyone ☺

Enjoy your summer holidays and see you all in September





Saturn

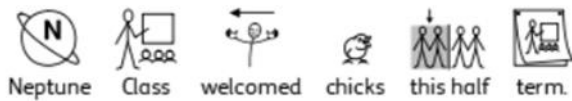
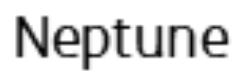
For our end of year trip Saturn class visited the

Sea life centre and went for lunch at Zizzi. They had a

fantastic day watching the fish and other ocean life before

tucking into pizza and pasta crisps, which were delicious.







Adventurer



Trip

Adventurer and Voyager Class went on an end of year trip to the Birmingham Nature Centre next to Cannon Hill Park. We enjoyed seeing all of the animals, had lots of fun in the playground and lots of laughs on the journey back after a lovely day.





Voyager



My



community

In 'My Community' lessons Voyager have worked on improving our school environment.

Students were given different ideas and were asked to choose a mural for the wall at the front of the centre.

They chose a colourful sun design, and we decided to add the school motto "Growing Together, Celebrating Together".

Over the last few weeks' students in Voyager and Adventurer have had the chance to help paint the mural and the results are amazing!





ASDAN
Registered Centre

Reynolds Cross school is a registered centre for
delivering ASDAN qualifications.



Students in 14 – 19 stage celebrate success in ASDAN accreditation this year. Proud to tell you that 21 students in year 10 to 14 undertook 101 units of accreditation between them within our 14-19 curriculum. Well done to each student.

All students worked towards qualifications in ASDAN Personal Progress at Entry 1, whilst some also worked on Entry 2 qualifications in ASDAN Personal and Social Development (PSD) and Employability – **Great work everyone!**

Our school leaver stars line up.....



Wonderful - Katie leaves with **Personal Progress Entry 1 Diploma** by completing **23 units and accumulating 63 credits** in years 10-14.

Always willing to try new activities, Katie enjoyed highest assessments in units involving creative activities.
Awesome Katie!



Brilliant - Faraz achieved **Personal Progress Entry 1 Extended Certificate** with **27 credits** adding to **14 credits** at **Certificate level** gained earlier. Faraz maintained a steady assessment range throughout 14 -19 stage.
Well done Faraz!



Congratulations Robbie – predicted to achieve **Personal and Social Development Entry 2 Award; Employability Entry 2 single units; Personal Progress Entry 1 Extended Certificate. Short course 'FoodWise'**. Robbie quickly progressed to include Entry 2 qualifications from year 11 having achieved Entry 1 top assessments throughout Year 10.
A fantastic haul Robbie!



We wish all our students continued success.

Stars of Fame



Week ending– 09/06/23

Moonbeams- Ibrahim for engaging in lessons and exploring lesson resources with more independence.

Neptune star is Callum for great colourful semantics work.

Week ending– 16/06/23

Rockets- Hamed- For being really engaged in reading and using I want when asking for bubbles.

Neptune class star this week is Josh B for engaging so well in the visit to watch the Matilda rehearsal and managing the changes to routine.

Mars star of the week is Mahira for fantastic use of Makaton signing to communicate with staff.



Week ending– 23/06/23

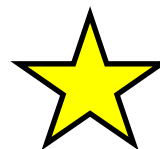
Mercury- Harry for fantastic communication this week ! Well done !

Neptune Class star of the week is Ben for fabulous work in phonics, clapping out syllables.

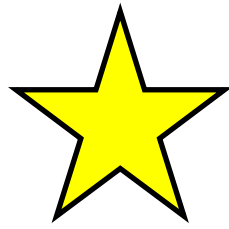
Moonbeams- Finn—A brilliant week trying hard in all lessons and being very vocal, making sounds to show he is happy.

Rainbows- Billy for trying really hard with talking and being settled in group time.

Mars star of the week is Abhijan. This week Abhijan has done some lovely communication and had a real wow moment on Thursday, when he initiated the vocalisation of "we will we will rock you" during a body percussion element of a lesson.



Stars of Fame



Week ending– 30/06/23

Rockets- Hamed- For engaging well in lessons and singing the hello song independently in music.

Moonbeams- Louie—for working hard every week with his physio. Louie uses his stander each day for an hour, tries hard to high kneel and crawl when exploring the classroom and is working super hard in the swimming pool with his physio exercises.

Neptune star of the week is Kai for great work on his adventure story in English groups.

Mars star of the week is Olivia. This week Olivia has shown phenomenal engagement in sensory story and sensory food.

Sunshines- Maxwell - For being responsible for his PECS book, independently returning it to where it belongs after snack time.



Week ending– 07/07/23

Moonbeams- Ibrahim for representing the school on a trip to the dogs home with the school council and then at the fun run yesterday with Renny.

Neptune Class are all stars this week for their fantastic participation in the Renny Fun run.

Mars star of the week is Mahira. Mahira is awarded star of the week for fantastic interactions this week especially during Renny day when on the playground in her walker.

Sunshines star of the week is Max - For running well with Daisy in the Renny fun run - well done Max!

Shooting stars- Keira- Great communication using different communication boards, asking for her favourite things.

Hunter- Great attitude to working with adults, and joining different activities
Miles- Lots of playful interactions with adults, using appropriate ways to show that he wants more.

Galaxies' stars of the week are Ted and Matthew for fantastic playing together and being good friends!

Rockets- Lola for fantastic running and joining in with Renny day.

Stars of Fame



Week ending– 14/07/23

Moonbeams- Tyler for interacting with lots of people around school responding with pleasure when different people initiate interactions with him.

Sunshines- Leo - For engaging well with communication boards during lessons.

Rockets class- Shijie- For fantastic engaging in phonics and trying really hard with signing in group time.

Neptune star is Bobbie-Jack for his positive and mature attitude this week.

Rainbows- Mason as he has transitioned really well to and from the bus this week without his usual helpers, both in school and on the bus.

Shooting stars- Olly- Great effort during adult directed activities.

Mollie- Dancing and moving to different rhythms

Lyla- Working hard to control her right arm in class activities.

Supernova classes

Congratulations to the classes below for achieving 100% attendance for the week.

Week ending 16/06/23

- ♦ Galaxies
- ♦ Planets
- ♦ Mars
- ♦ Voyager



Well done

Week ending 23/06/23

- ♦ Sunshines
- ♦ Moonbeams

Week ending 07/07/23

- ♦ Mars
- ♦ Planets
- ♦ Rainbows
- ♦ Moonbeams

Week ending 14/07/23

- ♦ Mars



Other information

Please see below that The Farm will be providing over the Summer holiday.



The Farm

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If you are unable to provide a meal for your child during the 6 week holidays and are normally entitled to free school meals we want to be here for you.

Please call us on 0121 711 7273 or email us on thefarm@lovelypubs.co.uk with evidence of entitlement to free school meals and we will provide you with a substantial meal for your child / children to take away.

Collection only between 12pm and 3pm
Monday 24th July to Sunday 3rd
September. All meals will need to be pre
ordered with a minimum of 24 hours notice.