



Rangefield Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 16th October 2015

Dear Parents and Carers

We wanted to remind you of some of the amazing opportunities our children have at Rangefield...

Our Playground- Since September 2014, in collaboration with the student body, we have put a lot of effort into making playtimes and lunchtimes more enjoyable, social and active. We have zoned our playground so that all of these needs are able to be met by providing: **an indoor games room, table tennis and magnetic dart board, skipping ropes, hula hoops, skip balls, bouncy hoppers, giant polydron and magnetic shapes for building, a Smooga pitch which provides a space for a wealth of different active sports, several basketball nets** and, of course, the ever popular **music** stations. Our final and most exciting of all will be the **adventure playground** which is one of a kind and built especially for Rangefield!

As a result of providing all of these opportunities for our children, we have seen a drastic decline in behaviour issues, we have watched our children become more social and able to share, respect and take responsibility for their toys and we have observed the older children becoming positive role models for our youngest. But the best result is: the smiling faces of the children enjoying themselves with their friends!

Parent Workshops: We have had such a positive response to our latest and most popular workshop where we could barely fit you all in) that we are planning our next BIG workshop ... **MATHS!!**

May we remind you about our Parent Handbook where it states that our School Policy requires you: **Not to post or publish discriminatory, defamatory, malicious or potentially misleading information or comments regarding the school, its pupils, staff or governors on any form of social media (e.g. facebook, twitter, etc).**

School Hours

8.45am: School gates open
8.55am: The bell will ring, children will line up and go into class.

9am: The gates will close!

Breakfast Club and Rockets

Payment for each half-term is required in advance. We have a long waiting list and if we do not receive payment the place will be given to another child.

DIARY DATES



October 19th

Harvest Assembly

EYFS/KS1: 9.15-9.45

KS2: 10.00-10.30

Grandparents only please

October 21st

Bring Your Parent To School Day

Open morning- 8.55-10.00am.

November 6th

Open Day 9am -10am

PLEASE REMEMBER!

INSET DAY: Friday 23rd October - School Closed To Children

Welcome
To Our School

Is your child starting school in September 2016?

We are holding an open morning for all parents and carers who would like to find out more about Rangefield before applying for their child to come to this school. The open morning will start promptly at **9am on Friday 6th November 2015** with a tour of the school, followed by a short presentation at 9.45am. This will be our only open morning, so **please make sure you can attend!**

DON'T FORGET!



As of the **2nd November** we will no longer accept cash or cheques for school meals, trips, rockets & breakfast club.

All payments will need to be made via Parent Pay. Each parent/carer by now should have received a letter with a log in and password (if not please call the office). These details can be used to set up a Parent Pay account which is quick, convenient and easy to use, from the comfort of your own home — **no more queuing at the school office!**

Payment must be in **advance**.

Bring a Parent To School Day!



Wednesday 21st of October at 8.55am: Bring your adult to school day. The parent/s or carer will go to **one** of their children's classes to join in with their CLIC sessions and then share a book with them.

At around 9.40am you will be brought to the hall where our choir will sing their latest songs and refreshments will be provided. If you have more than one child then it is ok for a grandparent to come as well.

Please, we ask no buggies to be brought into the classrooms or hall as there is not enough space.

Class Assemblies

Oct 22nd- 3pm: Jade- Y3*

Nov 13th- 2pm: Emerald- Y1

Nov 20th- 2pm: Turquoise- Y5

Dec 4th- 2pm: Year 6 School Journey

Class Trips:

Nov 19th: Y3: Science Museum

Our values: Respect, Responsibility, Trust, Love, Peace and Co-operation

Black History Assembly...



The children and adults of Rangefield were extremely lucky to experience an amusing, interactive and energetic Black History Assembly this week. Spirit from Big Foot Theatre Company put on a fun one man show that taught the children about past heroes like Martin Luther King, Nelson Mandela, Mary Seacole, Claudia Jones and Benjamin Zephaniah who fought for equality amongst black and white people across the world.



He entertained and educated every child in the school and left us some important questions to reflect upon: What hero can you be in the future? What positive difference can you make to the world?

'He was amazing! I enjoyed his visit. It was one of the best assemblies in my opinion.' Nakiah Year 6



'Spirit was enjoyable because he made jokes and his acting was amazing!' Year 5

'He was so humorous that I didn't want him to leave!' - Eda Year 6

'Spirit was extremely funny and his act was amazing!' Tandia Year 4

AUTUMN



Summer is gone and Year 1 went out looking for Autumn this week! We hunted for evidence that the season was well and truly underway at the park. We searched high and low and found most of Autumn blowing in the wind as the multi coloured leaves fell to the ground.



Harvest Festival

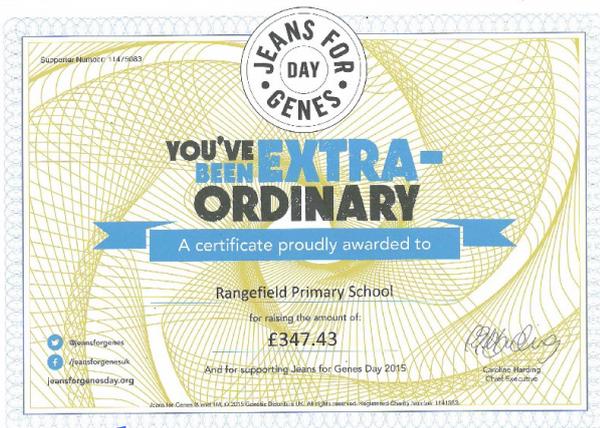
Our Harvest Festival assembly will take place on the

19th October:

EYFS/KS1: 9.15-9.45am

KS2: 10.00-10.30am

As our hall is very small and space is limited, we would like to invite **grandparents only** to this assembly. Thank you in advance for your support and understanding in this matter.



PLAYGROUND NEWS...



This week has seen the final stages of the playground development! A quiet area has been added and lined with grass, plants and mini palm trees. It is a beautiful addition to this already amazing playground. The builders hope to be finished very soon and we can't wait to start enjoying new adventures.

'It is going to be so cool!' - Beau Year 6

'We are looking forward to sitting and talking with my friends in the quiet area.' Year 6 Girls

'I hope we will get a chance to play on it!' Parent

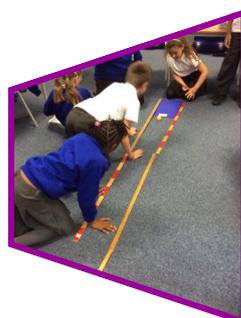
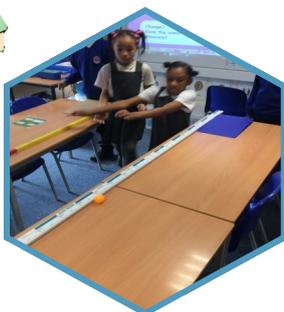


Tips on how to keep your child safe online:

- 1) Talk to your child about what they're up to online.
- 2) Encourage your child to go online and explore!
- 3) Keep up-to-date with your child's development online.
- 4) Set boundaries in the online world just as you would in the real world.
- 5) Keep all equipment that connects to the internet in a family space.
- 6) Use parental controls on devices that link to the internet, such as the TV, laptops, computers, game consoles and mobile phones.
- 7) Remind them that once they put something online it is there forever. Those words, pictures... they can't take it back. The harm has been done. So be kind!



Year 5 Quartz class carrying out a friction investigation.....



We have been doing some Super Science over the last few weeks. We've been learning all about forces through quizzes, videos, discussions, tools and of course through some thorough investigations. During our gravity investigation, the whole year group took to the outdoors to test Sir Issac Newton's theory of gravity - that objects fall to the ground at the same rate as a result of the force, gravity. Our next investigation was to do with another force; friction. This time we split into groups to test different surfaces. We had to predict and then test which surface would allow the ball to roll the greatest distance. Not only did we enjoy working cooperatively, but we also learned the value of making a prediction and of ensuring that we make sure our test is fair. We can't wait for our next investigation! Water resistance here we come!

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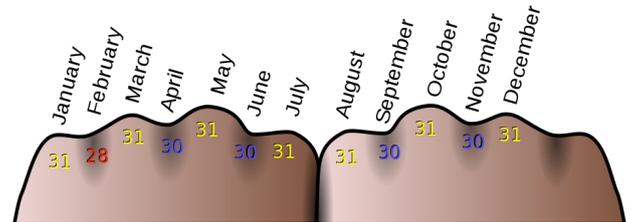
Privilege Card



George
Jade
Essien, Joshua, Alana, Gianna, Rona
Opal Class
Brodie, Keegan
Topaz

DAYS IN EACH MONTH

The number of days in each month has remained unchanged for 2000 years (in fact when Julius Caesar introduced the Julian Calendar). The number of days in each month can be found by counting across the knuckles and valleys on the back of your hands from left to right. See below.



Certificate for **STAR PERFECT** of the week goes to



GISELE MUTAASA

KEEP CALM & AIM FOR PERFECT ATTENDANCE

This Weeks winners: Attendance and Punctuality

Infant - Ruby 0% late 95.7% attendance
KS2 - Sapphire 0.4% late 99.6% attendance



Certificate for Good Effort

R - T'arna Carson
R - Jayden Birkaya
Y1 - Harlee Kelleher-West
Y1 - Shakeria Brown-Walsh
Y2 - Kamal Kassim
Y2 - Cairo Harrison
Y3 - Mason Manley
Y3 - Grave Lawrence
Y4 - Zeenah Adigun
Y4 - Jada Anim-Annor
Y4 - Taylor Parchment
Y5 - Jothika Rameshgaran
Y5 - Kyan Omo
Y6 - Milo Caldwell
Y6 - Abbie Rogers

Certificate for Good Values

R - Nancy Andres
R - Kayla Edwards
Y1 - Heaven Mukeba
Y1 - Nikita Bora
Y2 - Bilal Ahmadi
Y2 - Riley Brown
Y3 - Angelica Ezumeh
Y3 - Adam Zarzyezny
Y4 - Chiamaka Uzoh
Y4 - Stefan Georgescu
Y4 - Isra Fazly
Y5 - Tyreese Antunes-Goncalves
Y5 - Pierre Feffet
Y6 - Bobby Grey
Y6 - Meltem Karabeyaz

Miss Madrazo's

BOOK REVIEW

The Refugee Boy
Benjamin Zephaniah

It is easy to become deeply engaged with this story about a young Ethiopian-Eritrean boy, attempting to find his feet in the U.K. Alem Kelo, is caught between two countries at war. His father takes him to London for a day only to leave him that night at a hotel with a note...

A refugee is a person, who has left everything they have and love to find safety in a strange and sometimes hostile country. A very revealing story about the refugee experience in Britain that can not be missed !!!



GOLDEN Rules...
Show respect
Take responsibility
Make right choices

TERM DATES 2015/2016

Autumn Term 2015

Thurs 3rd Sept – Thurs 22nd Oct
Half term – Mon 26th Oct – Fri 30th Oct
Mon 2nd Nov – Fri 18th Dec

Inset Days

Fri 23rd Oct – School closed to pupils

Spring Term 2016

Tuesday 5th Jan – Fri 12th Feb
Half term – Mon 15th Feb – Fri 19th Feb
Mon 22nd Feb – Thurs 24th March

Inset Days

Mon 4th Jan – School closed to pupils

Summer Term 2016

Monday 11th April – Thurs 26th May
Half term – Mon 30th May – Fri 3rd June
Mon 6th June – Wed 20th July

Inset Days

Fri 27th May – School closed to pupils