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5 February—Club booking at 10am. clubs@chi.rbksch.org

Dear Parents,

It has been lovely to see Year 2 children practice and perform their class assemblies. They speak so confidently and work well together. We are very proud of them. It is great to see you all at these events.

This morning we held a coffee morning for any parent, grandparent or carer who is interested in improving their spoken English. Classes are held each Tuesday morning in the Juniors School. Please contact us if you would like more information.

We are currently having a whole school focus on the importance of good manners, and of having 'kind hands, feet and words.' Please help your child by reinforcing this message at home. We find that noticing and praising good behaviour helps!

Mrs Berry

Attendance

We set high standards for attendance and punctuality. Our target attendance is 97%.

Good attendance is strongly linked to pupil achievement.

*This is defined as the total number of minutes lateness of children within the class. Minutes of lateness = lost learning.

	Attendance		Punctuality*	
Week commencing	14/1	21/1	14/1	21/1
Bee	93.7%	92%	36	0
Butterfly	97%	96.7%	0	0
Ladybird	99.3%	98.3%	0	0
Hedgehog	94.7%	97.3%	7	20
Otter	97%	97%	0	2
Squirrel	100%	90.3%	6	20
Owl	98.3%	97%	25	2
Leopard	99%	97.7%	0	5
Lion	93.7%	97%	10	38
Tiger	98%	94.7%	0	4

Planning for Emergency Weather!

Fortunately during the past few years the schools have not needed to close due to bad weather, however, if the weather changes to snow and ice our emergency plan is as follows: - The Heads alone (based on the Site Managers report) make a decision to close the schools on Health and Safety factors and also based upon Borough guidance. The school website will be updated with a school open/closed notice on the front page. This will be followed by a school email. We aim to have this done by 7.45am.

If school has been closed, due to the weather, **after school has started** we will alert you by sending an email asking you to pick-up early. If you have not been receiving the school emails please update the school office immediately.

Whole School
Attendance to date

96.9%

Lunch menu
week beginning
28 January

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PARENTING SUPPORT

HOW TO GET THE BEST OUT OF FAMILY LIFE



We will be running a Family Links Nurturing Programme for Parents after half term. If you are interested please come and find out more. Open to all.

Wednesday 30th January 2019 at 2.30 – 3.10

Looking forward to seeing you.
Mrs Shepherd and Mrs Kill

In Reception....

Another fabulous few weeks in reception! The weather has caused great discussion! Jack Frost had been on the field and the adventure playground! There was a lot of ice on the patio which was very exciting! In maths we have been measuring and using lots of vocabulary around this! We have learnt the digraphs OW, AR and EE, do chat with the children about what they have been learning and the stories they have heard!

Thank you so much for the amazing cake sales. The children have already started to spend the money!

Do speak to your class teacher about helping in class. If that's something you can do please pop to the office first to complete a DBS check.

Thanks again for your ongoing support.

In Year 1....

It's been a busy start to our Spring term! Your children have enjoyed learning all about the Antarctic and the different animals that live there. We have also looked at the classification of animals in science, focusing on mammals, birds and fish that live in the Antarctic. In maths we are learning how to add and subtract by bridging ten and are still practising our number bonds of 20. Well done to those children who have completed and returned this month's maths challenge! There's still time to get them in by the end of the month for the chance to be a Maths Wizard in assembly!

Please ensure that you read with your child regularly and comment in your child's reading record- this makes a huge difference to their literacy skills. We look forward to seeing you all at the upcoming parent chats. Keep an eye out for appointment sign up sheets in the coming weeks.

In Year 2....

Despite the cold weather the two visits to The Tower of London have so far proved a hit with the children and staff, with a high quality workshop session adding value to a well organised trip. Many thanks to all parent helpers.

Cake sales will soon be upon us and we would like to give children an opportunity to do some baking for these. If you are happy to help us with doing this in school please let your teacher know. The money raised at cake sales is used to buy valuable resources to be used in your child's class, such as high quality books.

As we approach the middle of the year - can you believe it? - it is nearly time for Parent Chats. These take place on 11th February for Year 2 children. Please make sure you sign up when sheets are put out next week. There will also be a Curriculum Evening for all parents on 7th March, which we would like all parents to attend if possible. This will include information about the Key Stage 1 National Curriculum Tests. Please look out for the invitation in the blue bag.

News from our Educational Welfare Officer

- If your child is ill immediately before or after school holidays we require medical evidence. Without a doctors letter this will be unauthorised leave, and may be referred to the Educational Welfare Service.