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# Purple Post

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## Principal's Message

*We want our school to be a place where we are safe: to learn, have fun and work hard. A place where we are kind and mindful of everyone and have positive attitudes for our bright futures.*

*A very warm welcome back to the start of another new term and academic year! I hope you all had a wonderful summer break and enjoyed the amazing weather we had.*

*Thank you so much for such a great start to the term- pupils look smart in their uniforms and are ready and prepared for their learning. A particular welcome to our new pupils who have started in F1 and 2 and throughout the school - we look forward to a long and successful partnership with you.*

*We have lots of information to share with you and things to celebrate- this newsletter will be published each fortnight, the website and Twitter are great places to keep up to date as well as emails and our electronic mailing system, Groupcall, which is particularly used for 'urgent' text messages.*

*Have a happy start to the term and a good weekend.*

*Liz Latham*

## Ordering School Meals:

Please do remember to order your child's school dinner for the week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> September by Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

## Essential information updates

It's essential that we have the correct contact details so that we can get in touch with you – please make sure that if you've changed your phone number, address or your child has started new medication over the summer, you let the office know.

## School Start time! 8.50am

Well done to everyone who has made sure that your child arrives in school to begin their learning at 8.50am. If your child arrives after this time, then they are classed as LATE.

Please aim to be in the playground by 8.45am when classroom doors open and the school day officially starts at 8.50am.

If your child is late for school by 10 minutes every week, it's a full day of learning lost. If they're late every day by 10 minutes, it's a full week of learning. Gates will be locked promptly at 9am

## Famous and on film!



We are excited to **earthwatch** share the promotional film that Earthwatch Europe made in the summer term – see our pupils (past and present) enjoying our Tiny Forest and learning outdoors – thanks to Miss Hall who takes a starring role- watch it here!

<https://edu.earthwatch.org.uk/tinyforest>

## No nuts reminder.

We do have a number of pupils in school who have serious, life-threatening nut allergies. Please do make sure that you do not send your child with nut products including brands such as Nutella/ other chocolate nut spreads.

## Congratulations to Rancliffe!

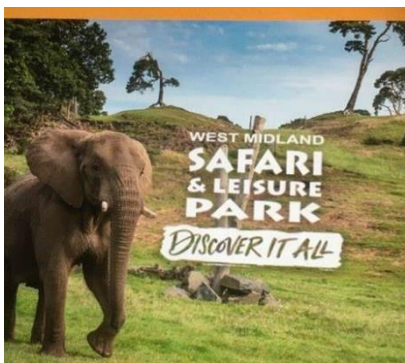
Well done to the members of Rancliffe House Team who were the winners of the House Teams for last year. Together they earned more house points than the other 3 teams and celebrated in style with a treat afternoon at their namesake Rancliffe Gardens. All pupils are in one of 4 House Teams captained by Year 6 pupils. They get involved in competitions, events and activities as well as working together to earn the House Points to win the House Point Award

## West Midlands Safari Park

We have been kindly allocated a number of tickets for families to attend the West Midlands Safari park through the Variety Club on the following dates: 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> October 2022. If you are interested please let the office know and tickets will be allocated on a first come first served basis. We have limited tickets available on the dates above.

## Dates for your Diary

Yr 2 Beaumanor Hall      28<sup>th</sup> Sept  
Yr 5 Museum of Justice    6<sup>th</sup> Oct  
More dates to follow in the next newsletters



## Get Involved

We have many opportunities for you to be involved in your child's learning and find out about what's going on in class. Please do keep an eye on emails with details of invites to workshops/ parent events and open afternoons.

The first one is next Thursday for EYFS/KS1 parents to learn about our new phonics system – more details via email to follow...

## Maths Challenges

Every month we have a new maths challenge competition for children to take part in, they can submit their entries in school or via the maths challenge page on the website. Please encourage your child to take part.

<https://www.queensmeadacademy.org/mathschallenge>

## Afterschool multisports

Letters will be going home today to selected year groups to sign children up for afterschool sports clubs. Places are offered on a first come first served basis, so get your letters back quickly.

## The World Re-imagined

Please see the flyer below for information on a UK wide art education project that we took part in last term.



The  
**World  
Reimagined**

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**This summer,  
go on a Journey of Discovery  
to explore our shared history  
and how we can make  
racial justice a reality.**

**Together,  
we can create a future  
in which all can say:  
I am seen.**

We're delighted to share that our school has been taking part in The World Reimagined: a UK-wide art education project featuring globally-recognised artists to transform how we understand the Transatlantic Trade in Enslaved Africa and its impact on us all. This is not 'Black History', this is all of our history.

The World Reimagined will see a trail of large Globe sculptures across 7 UK cities from 13 August to 31 October 2022, created by artists to bring to life a powerful journey of discovery that explores our shared history and the future we can create together.

For the last few weeks - alongside 150+ schools across the country - we have been exploring our shared history and engaging with ideas around how we can make racial justice a reality in the future - and our students' power to create change.

**And we have also created a Globe sculpture that will feature in The World Reimagined!**

We hope you'll have the chance to visit The World Reimagined trail - and our Globe! - when the trails are live from 13 Aug - 31 Oct.

**To find out where our Globe will be exhibited for you to visit, please go to [www.theworldreimagined.org](http://www.theworldreimagined.org) from Saturday 13 August 2022.**



*Mother Africa, Foluso Oguntayo*



*Expanding Soul, Carol Sorhaindo*

