



Dear parents

At least we appear to be ending the week with some sun and I hope you are all looking forward to the half term break.

Thank you to all those parents who completed the recent online survey – we are already using the information provided to inform our future school priorities and in fact I have spent the morning with the owner of ILG on exactly this. As with any survey, there were areas of positivity and areas of concern, all of which I have discussed with ILG and we are in agreement on the issues where the school needs to improve. I will be in a position to write to you in more depth on the survey and share some exciting news in the near future.

As you will no doubt be aware, 21st June is an important date in the nation's movement into a post COVID world. That said, there seems little point in disrupting the children's routine for the final 4 weeks of the year. As a result, at least for the time being, we will be continuing with our current timetable of staggered starts, pick-ups and lunch times.

The 21st June gives us the opportunity to welcome parents back on site, if in a cautious and considered way. To this end we have decided to move our planned sports day events so they both fall after that date to allow parents to attend. Please accept my apologies for the late notice on this. The current plan is to hold both an Pre School/Pre-Prep sports morning in school and a Prep sports afternoon at Raphael Park on Wednesday 30th June (with a wet weather contingency date of 7th July). If all goes well regarding the national COVID picture we would be happy to welcome you to both events but would ask you to limit numbers to 2 adults per family at each event. We will write to you in more detail in the near future with timings and other arrangements.

I am also very happy to invite you all to a forum evening on 29th June where we will be discussing the future of the PFA. Please check your Parentmails for more details.

My very best wishes for a lovely week  
Callum Douglas  
Headmaster

## KEY DATES

### MAY

28th

Sports Trip to Lee Valley  
(pre-selected children)

31st - 4th June

HALF TERM

### JUNE

7th

School Resumes

23rd - 25th

Form 6

PGL Residential Trip

29th

7pm School Hall

PFA 'Reboot' Forum

30th

Pre-School, Pre-Prep & Prep

Sports Day

### JULY

16th

12pm

End of Term

(NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB)

### SEPTEMBER

6th

INSET Day

7th

School Resumes

## News from Pre-School

Over the last fortnight, Pre-School have been busy learning about 'People Who Help Us'. Mr Mallinson came to visit and told us what he does around the school and also told us about his previous career in the police force. He brought in photographs and showed the children how to take their fingerprints. We also learnt about doctors, fire-fighters, dentists, delivery people, refuse collectors, bus drivers and vets. We even had our own vets surgery - the children had to fill in forms and then explain to the vet what was wrong with their animals. The children have also practised their fine motor/scissor skills by cutting out pictures. They made life-size models - we drew around the children, cut them out and the children painted and added what they wanted their model to be. We have had great fun!

Mrs S. Harrison, Pre-School Teacher



## News from Form 3

Form 3 have been really busy for the last two weeks. In Science we have been dissecting flowers. In Maths we have looked at time and shape. English has been more poetry work and this week we have written our own Kenning poems. Geography has led us to research different rainforest animals and we are currently writing our own fact-files about our favourite ones.

Mrs C. Ridley, Form 3 Teacher

### Science:

"I liked being able to see the seeds" - Laila

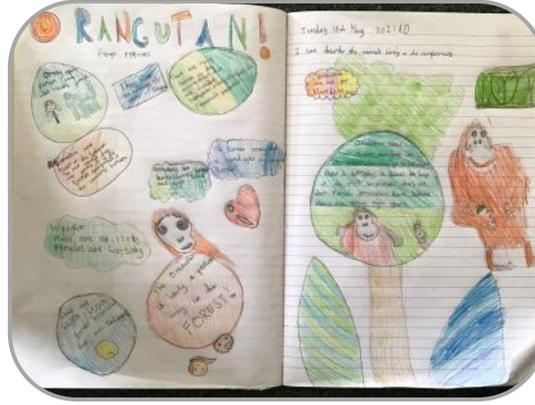
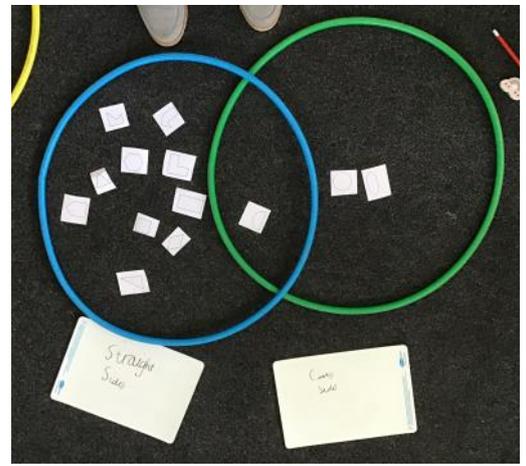
"It was fun pulling the flower apart" - Gabby

"We had to be very careful pulling the flower apart because it was very delicate" - Nick

### Maths:

"I thought time intervals was going to be hard, but it was really good fun" - Nick

"Venn diagrams is what we have done in Maths and we made different diagrams by labelling them and putting different shapes in each one" - Eva



## News from Form 2 & Form 4

Form 2 and Form 4 have entered the Royal Mail Heroes Stamp Design competition. The children each designed their stamps to honour groups of people who have helped us during the Coronavirus pandemic. They worked hard to consider how their design would look in miniature and what symbols and colours to use. We think they look fantastic—perhaps there will be a winner among them! The top prize is £1000 for the winning entry and £1000 for the school - fingers crossed!

Miss K. Mackie & Mr I. Metcalfe, Form 2 and Form 4 Teachers



## News from Form 6

**Music:** Form 6 have been learning to play the recorder with Mrs Jenkin; they are able to play different songs with harmonies. Keep an eye on Facebook to see their performances.

**Science:** The children consolidated their knowledge of the circulatory system to create a 'Trivial Pursuit' type boardgame where they have to collect the required body parts!

**Art & Literacy:** The children continue to be inspired by 'The Tin Forest' and they used oil pastels to create a jungle scene that they believe the old man from 'The Tin Forest' dreams of. Here is a piece of exceptional writing completed by Aman, Ashaz, Deven and Krish which Mr Douglas was overjoyed to read:

The tops of the silver trees were shimmering sheets of metal,  
Carpeting the forest, shading the creatures.  
Many tin creatures were still works of art,  
Ominously staring into the eyes of all that came upon them.

Towering trees were solid blocks of sandpaper, looming over the forest,  
And picturesque flowers were beautiful knives, disguised as elegant dancers.  
Birds were winged razors gliding through the torrents of wind,  
The bushy undergrowth was a bed of piercing nails, slicing into its victims.

The steely smell of iron wafted through the jungle,  
Aromas of a bonfire were a smoky scent, walking through the forest.  
The iron filings were acidic needles floating through the jungle air,  
Pricking the nostrils of all that inhaled them.

The deafening clanging and banging of the metal was a booming thunderstorm, the rattling and jostling of the creatures' beaks were fire alarms, echoing through the forest.  
The vibrations of the steel grass brewed an irritating cacophony in the jungle.



## News from Form 1

The children have been working with clay to make nature inspired models. They have also been hard at work practising their yoga.

In Literacy the children have been focusing on punctuation and grammar and identifying corrections that need to be made. In Phonics they have been learning to understand that 'y' can make various sounds.

In Maths, they have been practising addition and subtraction with numbers missing in number sentences as well as applying addition and subtraction knowledge to word problems.

Mr T. Ward, Form 1 Teacher



## News from Form 6

### Sports News—Form 3-6 take part in the ILG Athletics Championships

On Friday a team of 16 pupils from Year 3-6 travelled to the amazing Lee Valley Athletics Centre to take part in our first ever ILG Athletics Competition. There were schools there from all over London and it was fantastic to see so many young people back representing their schools. The children took part in a 60m sprint, 60m hurdles, long jump, javelin, ball throw, a really gruelling 600 and finally a 4x50m relay.

#### Results

- U9 Boys—3rd
- U9 Girls—2nd
- U11 Boys—8th
- U11 Girls—6th

Just as importantly, the children were a credit to the school and thoroughly enjoyed their day out. We very much plan to be doing more of these sort of activities in the future.

Mr Douglas

