



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

NEWSLETTER – October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

The routines of school life are now established and the children have completed superb learning throughout the half term. It is a pleasure to speak to the pupils about their learning and also receive such articulate responses. The clear drive to improve oracy is evident and our pupils have an improved confidence to communicate so effectively.

The Literacy Festival is becoming a much loved event in our school calendar and is an opportunity for the children to immerse themselves in all things English. This year the children had the opportunity to work with Liz Million and Paul Cookson and complete engaging workshops. All classes worked hard towards the Choral Speaking competition, with each class performing to the whole school and then a group of our Year 2 pupils being invited to perform at an MLT Showcase at the Grammar School Hub.

Parents Evening is coming up on Wednesday 23rd October and we very much hope that you can join us during the evening to meet with your child's class teacher and have an opportunity to look at the learning that has taken place in the classrooms. If you are not able to make the appointment, please contact the school office to make an alternative appointment.

Several parents have asked about dojo points as these are no longer on the APP for parents to view. Individual points are still accrued by each pupil but these now feed into the House Point teams which are celebrated half termly. Thank you to the children who have entered the recent House Team competition, House Captains will be announcing the winners before half term.

Wishing all children and families a lovely half term, school re-opens on Monday 4th November.

Kind regards

Mrs Berry

KEY DATES:

Halloween Disco
Monday 4th November

Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 7th November

Y5 Viking Day
Wednesday 13th November

Coffee Morning
Thursday 14th November

Children in Need
Friday 15th November

Y6 Nottingham Justice Museum
Tuesday 19th November

Pantomime trip
Friday 29th November

For more upcoming dates please see our website:

[Maltby Redwood - Upcoming Events](#)

ONLINE SAFETY

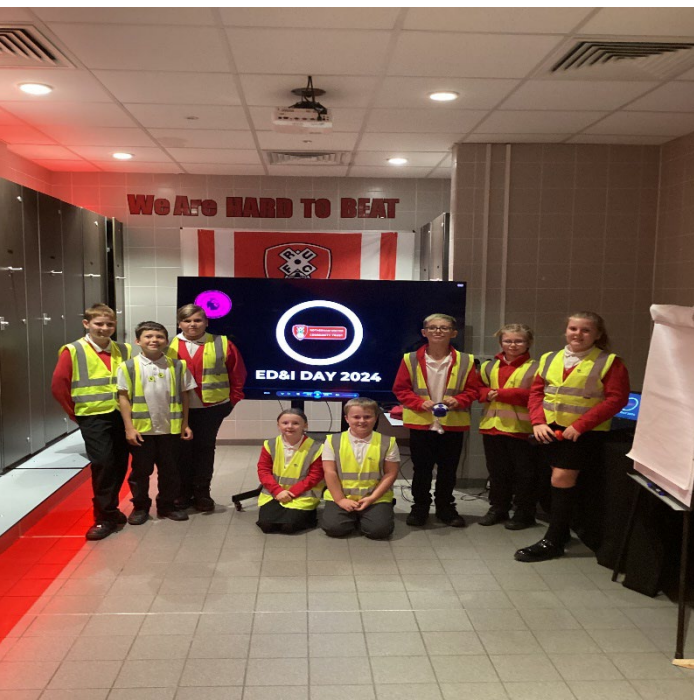
LOCATION SETTINGS

Location-based services are found on most smart devices including phones and use technology to pinpoint the location of your device, and therefore you! Devices often track this in the background even when you don't have internet or reception using GPS. There are some risks associated with this such as some apps revealing your live location, information being shared with people you don't know and if you often check in at the same places this allows someone to know your usual movements.

You can disable location settings completely or switch location settings on and off for individual apps. This is usually found under general setting on mobile devices. You can also manage privacy settings on social media sites and gaming accounts to check how your location might be shared.

ROTHERHAM UNITED DIVERSITY, INCLUSION AND EQUALITY DAY

Some of our Y5 and Y6 children had an amazing time at Rotherham United's Diversity, Inclusion and Equality day. They enjoyed a tour of New York Stadium and took part in fun workshops all about the topic of bullying and how we can be more inclusive. It was a great day!



EXCEPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

Y3 LIBRARY WORKSHOP

During the Library Workshop, Year 3 were able to further develop their learning all about Ancient Egypt. They looked at how Egyptians wrote, and the process of making papyrus paper. They then used a reed pen and ink, to write their name in hieroglyphics. They then further developed their knowledge of the process of mummification, and the importance of Tutankhamun. It was also an opportunity for the children to explore a range of artefacts.

Y5 SPANISH CAFE

Year 5 children had an exciting culinary adventure as they explored the vibrant flavours of Spanish cuisine! They delighted in trying new dishes and sharing their thoughts with their peers.



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING WITHIN THE ACADEMY

MP VISIT

Staff and students were very excited to meet local MP **Jake Richards**, who visited our school and spoke with our Student Leaders and Senior Leaders.

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

All staff and children dressed in green in support of World Mental Health Day. It was great to see everyone getting involved and showing that mental health matters! 🌍💚

