

Rushen Primary School Newsletter



March 2020



Dear Parents/Carers,

I started writing this Newsletter a couple of weeks ago and at that time we couldn't have imagined that this is what was going to happen. Even though we could see what was happening around the world, it was hard to imagine that our lives would change as much as this in such a short space of time.

Before school closed, we'd had a busy month as always with many events, visitors, school trips and visits undertaken or planned. Thank you to all parents, carers, friends, family and members of the local community for supporting our school and for contributing to the fundraising events that we have recently undertaken.

World Book Day was lots of fun with some fantastic and creative costumes and this definitely helped to raise the profile of reading. I'm sure you heard about the visit in assembly from Paddington Bear and the Cat in the Hat!

Our Fairtrade Awareness Day and theme in classes was brilliantly organised by our pupils who are part of the Fairtrade Team. We managed to raise £195.69.

For Sport Relief, we raised £247.46...see below for details about the day.

Please share this Newsletter with your child/ren. Hopefully, it will remind them of fun times in school...

Take care, we are all thinking about you, stay safe.

Ms Owens Headteacher

6Rs

This half term's 6R focus is 'Resourcefulness' and in the current situation definitely applies to all-parents/carers/teachers as well as children...

- ✓ I know how to get help when I need it.
- ✓ I can ask different questions.
- ✓ I can choose what I need to complete a task.
- ✓ I have lots of my own ideas.
- ✓ I try to solve problems independently before asking for help.
- ✓ I am willing to learn and try new things.

Manx Word of the Day - Rushen Primary School

Some of our pupils were on the radio! Click the link!

https://www.manxradio.com/on-air/blogs/manx-word-of-the-day/post/manx-word-of-the-day-rushen-primary-school/

The children of Rushen Primary School teach us how to say various modes of transport in Manx. How many do you know? Introduced by Claudia Koenig from the Manx Peripatetic Team.



Events

World Book Day

World Book Day was a great success as always! Thank you to all families who made such an effort to celebrate books and reading.









Shared Reading – Andreas and Malew





Fairtrade Awareness and theme

Our Fairtrade Team led an assembly and planned a number of events including the Fairtrade Awareness Day where pupils dressed in blue, green and black and raised money.

Malew and Braddan Classes split into teams across the two classes. They were given roles within their teams (team leader, communicator, designer etc...) and had to create a poster and speech to persuade the rest of the group to agree with them. Their topics were 'for' Fairtrade items or 'against' Fairtrade items. (Bananas, chocolate and tea/coffee).



















Sport Relief - Thursday 12th March

- ★ Pupils came to school in their sports kit, ready for a day of sport!
- **★** Thank you for the £1 (or more) donations which have been sent to Sport Relief from Rushen Primary School.
- ★ Pupils completed a walk/run and a skipping challenge as well as other activities.



THANK YOU!

You did it. You've raised a staggering £40,540,355. There's still time to donate and you can relive all the action on BBC iPlayer. All the money raised goes to people living incredibly tough lives here in the UK and around the world.

Trips

Kirk Christ Church









Patrick, Braddan and Malew classes all visited Kirk Christ Church this month with Mrs Daniel as part of their RE curriculum. The children were so engaged with the visit and enjoyed learning through listening to storytelling, exploring the church yard, and finding out about local people who were important in the Parish of Rushen. Thanks go to Reverend Joe and Wendy Heaton.

Class Assemblies

This month saw Class Assemblies for Ballaugh and Lonan classes. Both assemblies really entertained the audience and inspired the children. Parents/Carers, family and friends who attended were rightly impressed by the children's performances. The children were so confident and both classes had obviously learned a great deal. Ballaugh Class introduced us to a fantastic song which the whole school has begun to learn about dinosuars, while Lonan Class managed to scare us all with their very realistic Vikings!!! Aaaarrrggghhh!

Ballaugh





Here is the link to the Dinosuar Song (PLEASE CHECK THE LINK FIRST AND PARTICULARLY CHECK THE ADVERTS ON YOUTUBE before watching) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W0FOZ0-VpcU

Lonan





Here is the link to the Viking Song (PLEASE CHECK THE LINK FIRST AND PARTICULARLY CHECK THE ADVERTS ON YOUTUBE before watching) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CvkhUx2k5Qs

Visitors

Mrs Gill, School Governor, Teacher and St John Ambulance trainer, came to school and taught Year 5/6 pupils First Aid. The children collaborated, working together to administer First Aid.











