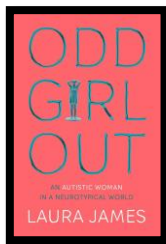


News from Radlett

Parent Network:

I hope you all had a great half term break. Many thanks to all of you who came to our last Parent Network meeting led by our PBS team. If you have any questions you would like to ask them please do not hesitate to get in contact with me.

Book of the Month:



I love this book! Laura was diagnosed autistic as an adult. The book tracks the year of Laura's life after she receives her diagnosis. She soon learns that "different" does not mean "less" and how there is a place for all of us.

Although this is a personal story, the book has a wider focus too, exploring a wide range of topics including sensory differences.

The first Thursday in March is World Book day and I hope you will be able to join us to celebrate the joy of books and reading with our pupils. Our celebration will begin at **1.15pm on Thursday 7th March**. Please email me at mary.rogers@nas.org.uk to reserve your place.

And finally....

I would love to hear from you. If you have not completed our questionnaire, please [Click here](#) to open the link, or [scan the QR code below](#). It will take about 2 minutes to complete. Thank you to all of you who have already given your feedback.



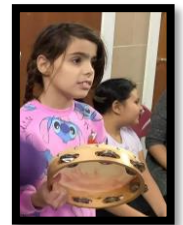
Principal's Perspective.....

As you will have previously read, our pupils have been taking part in weekly music sessions. This has been really valuable to our pupils so just before half term we were excited to welcome Rocksteady to Radlett Lodge School.

Rocksteady offer an inclusive programme that is accessible to all pupils and believe that spending time making music and having fun can have a positive impact on self-esteem and wellbeing.



Each class had an opportunity to try and listen to a variety of different instruments and songs, concluding with a whole school concert at the end of the day.



An amazing day and a huge thank you to Rocksteady! Look forward to seeing you soon.

Events for March

7th March – World Book Day

15th March – Red Nose Day

19th March – Ferdinand Football group

20th March – National story telling day

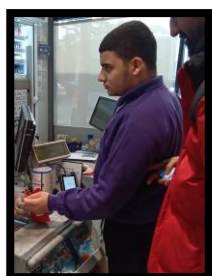
22nd March – Felix class parent coffee morning

26th March – Spectrum Colour Day for Schools

28th March – Last day of term (Early close at 1.30pm)

Spotlight on Centurion class:

Centurion Class have been focussing on being independent when shopping. The pupils have gone into a shop, chosen their item, taken it to the till and paid. We have used our shopping experiences to purchase specific items for cooking lessons.



In our horticulture session, Angie came to class to work with us. We planted our garlic and broad bean seeds into pots. We are looking forward to planting them in our garden later in the Spring.

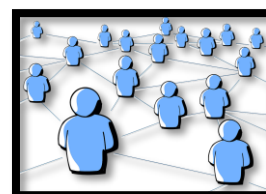


Lastly, in Science, we have been learning about floating and sinking. We linked this to our Geography topic; rivers. We made boats using card, straws and plasticine and waited to see if they would float!



Our Focus of the Month: Social Interaction

Our pupils often find it difficult to understand social communication and interaction. The more we teach, encourage and support safe interaction the more their independence, social communication and inclusion can develop.



Top Tips:

- Plan and prepare structured and motivating sessions that you can join in with, for example, messy play.
- Model how to interact in different social situations and how to initiate interactions.
- Position yourself so that you can safely interact with each other and play together.
- Engage in positive interactions with your child and the rest of the family.

What has been happening around school?

Our Wellbeing group took charge of our recent inset day with group discussions and activities to focus on improving our own health and wellbeing.



We were able to take part in sessions on: relexology; yoga; mindfulness; and crochet.

