



Rockcliffe Newsletter 12 – Autumn Term

ROCKCLIFFE REPORTERS' SPECIAL EDITION

Dear Rockcliffe Families,

We are the Rockcliffe Reporters – Noah, Lizzie, Ursula and Sam – and this is our special Children's Takeover Day Newsletter. We hope your children had a nice time.

Children's Takeover Day

On Tuesday it was Takeover Day which is when Year 4s in Rockcliffe have to help out with the jobs around school. Depending on their Pupil Leadership team, all the children get to do different jobs. They go into other classes and sometimes ask questions to them. Takeover Day is a really fun day helping younger pupils with their learning. It's a great experience for Year 4s to feel like an adult.

We went around the school to see what people were doing and asked questions.

The Wellbeing Gurus were doing mindful art in the hall with Reception. The Creative Sparks decorated the Christmas Tree in the downstairs hall. It was covered in tinsel and baubles and it had a star on the top. The Reception yard had new playground equipment - a little house with wooden ladders and some wooden steps. The children in Reception also built a massive house made out of building blocks and cardboard. The Sports' Leaders were making a display for outside Mr Jones's office out of cut out sports balls. The STEM Champions were collecting what they liked best in science. The Digital Leaders were fixing the apps and the iPads. The Reading Ambassadors have been sorting the books in the cabin. They have also been doing phonics with the little kids and reading to them.



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Creative Careers

In assembly we learnt all about the careers some of our teachers and teaching assistants had before they came to Rock at Rockcliffe!

	Mr Jones Mr Jones was a radio researcher. He had to write questions about people. He gave the questions to the radio presenter, and asked the people what their names were and where they lived. He found out about famous events or people. He worked for BBC Radio. On the radio there was about an hour and quarter of music and the rest would be talking. They had to make things new every day so that people wouldn't get bored.
	Mrs Wilson Mrs Wilson was a marine scientist. She used to go on boats and travel around the world to find out about how climate change affects the ocean. She worked with her team to test sea water and research about climate change.
	Mr Singh Mr Singh's job before he was in school was selling mobile phones. He sold them when he was 19 years old. He had to find the best deals that were cheap as no one would buy them if they were expensive. He had to understand how the phones and apps worked.
	Mrs Marr Mrs Marr made props for a theatre company. She used to travel around the world with her troop. Looking after props was hard especially if somebody was trying to put the props in the wrong place.
	Mrs Burkin Mrs Burkin sold food and drinks at St James' Park! Before she worked at Rockcliffe she would watch the matches at the first half and she would have to make sure that she was back on time! If she wasn't the fans wouldn't be happy so she had to get back on time. People would line up in a big line and if they lost the first half Mrs Burkin wouldn't have happy customers.



Christmas Fair

The Events' Organisers discussed the Christmas Fair and asked businesses for raffle prizes. Then they discussed what stands there are going to be at the Fair and where they will be in the hall. They made some posters to get people to help at the Fair. Please help us with the Fair.

Pupil Leadership Teams

Here is what the Year 4 children liked best.

Sports Leader Max enjoyed 30 minutes outside playing games.

Opal, a Digital Leader, liked doing pupil voice because she could talk to people she didn't know.

STEM Champion Mille said her favourite part of the day was helping Puffin class.

Reading Ambassador Astrid said, "I enjoyed reading with the younger pupils."

Dexter, who is also a Reading Ambassador, said his favourite part of his job was tidying 10 books.

And the Rockcliffe reporters said:

Lizzie: I liked figuring out what people liked best.

Noah: I liked all of it. It felt like we were VIPs sitting at the back of assembly.

Sam: I liked when we got to sit on the chairs at the back of the assembly.

Ursula: I liked all of it as well.

Thank you for reading the newsletter and we hope you enjoyed reading it. Hopefully you will come to the Christmas Fair on Thursday 4th December, have a lovely week.

Lizzie, Noah, Ursula and Sam

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Dates for Your Diary

December	
Wed 3 rd	Christmas Lunch – wear Christmas Jumpers and bring a donation for the School Fair. Please bring a bottle, chocolate, good quality toys or books. We really need cake donations on the day too.
Thu 4 th	3.30pm: Christmas Fair
Fri 5 th	Y3 AM: Christmas Unwrapped event at Whitley Bay Baptist Church
Tue 9 th	10am: Beacon, Lighthouse & Priory Performance 1
Wed 10 th	10am: Beacon, Lighthouse & Priory Performance 2
Thu 11 th	10am: Lapwings, Puffins & Sandpipers Performance 1
Fri 12 th	10am: Lapwings, Puffins & Sandpipers Performance 2
Mon 15 th	10am: Seahorses & Starfish Performance
Mon 15 th	PM: Lapwings & Sandpipers Christmas Parties
Tue 16 th	10am: Sandcastles Nursery Performance
Tue 16 th	PM: Puffins & Priory Christmas Parties
Wed 17 th	PM: Beacon and Lighthouse Christmas Parties
Thu 18 th	AM: Sandcastles Nursery Christmas Party
Thu 18 th	PM: Seahorses and Starfish Christmas Parties
Fri 19 th	End of Autumn Term
January	
Mon 5 th	Teacher Training Day
Tue 6 th	Start of Spring Term

