



Raglan Upcoming Dates

- Rhinos Family Assembly – Friday 5th July
- Year 6 Family Performance – Monday 8th July
- Year 6 Evening Performance – Wednesday 10th July
- Rocksteady Concert – Friday 12th July
- Leavers Lunch – Friday 12th July
- Nursery Leavers Picnic – Friday 12th July

Week beginning 1st July

Language of the Week

Language	Hello	Good Morning	Good Afternoon
Twí	Agoo	Me ma wo akye (Mem-au ah-cheh) (shortened version) – Maakye (Maah-cheh)	Me ma wo aha (Mem-au ah-ha)

<https://omniglot.com/language/phrases/twi.htm>

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Character Virtue of the Week



Dear Parents and Carers,

What incredible ambassadors for our school Year 5 are. This week on Tuesday they hosted our annual Strawberry Tea and welcomed our local old-aged pensioners into our school. Their care and attention to our guests was phenomenal and their performances (individual and group) across the afternoon were sublime.

All of our guests were enthralled, moved and in many cases tearful for all the right reasons. All of our guests were incredibly impressed with the politeness and manners of our children. I would like to congratulate all of our Year 5 children for their efforts. I would also like to thank the staff team for supporting the children in putting this together. A massive thank you to our Year 5 parent helpers also. We rely heavily on parent support across the school and we greatly appreciate this. Finally, a huge thank you to Mrs Osborne, our Music Teacher from BYMT. The Ukulele pieces were amazing, the quality of singing first rate, and the performance of the highest calibre.

We now look forward to the children hosting our local old-aged pensioners for the annual Christmas Party in early December.





Growth Mindset and Resilience Building

This week in assembly I discussed with the children the notion of growth mindset, how our brains grow and the link to resilience building. I shared with the children the story of 'The Dot.' This is where a child believes they cannot draw and decides to place a dot in the middle of her page. Little does the child know that her dot becomes the feature of a gallery exhibition; and that she becomes an inspiration to others – who at first couldn't, but now they can!

This is a terrific story that shows the children that nothing is impossible, and that the more we try, fail, try, fail, try, try and try again the more our brain grows and our resilience builds.

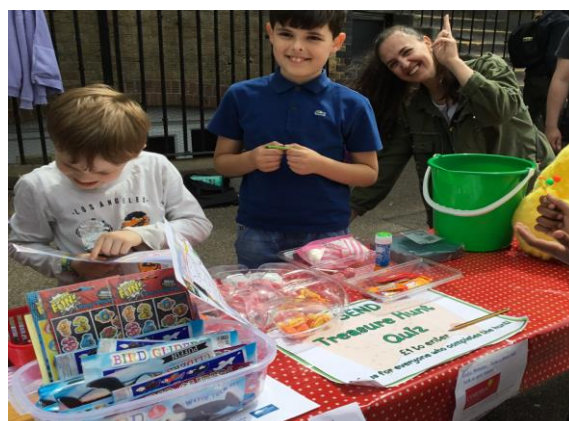
I reiterated to the children that with resilience building comes an improvement in confidence and independence. Three of these qualities, as you know, are part of our Raglan Character Virtues.

Together with Kind, Ready, Safe they enable the children to be able to access learning and move successfully through every phase of their school learning.



What a triumph for the FoR!

A massive thank you to the FoR for their hard work and to all the staff that volunteered at the summer fair on Saturday. This was a real community triumph and thank you to parents for supporting the event and coming along. The day was a complete success and epitomised the wonderful community that we have. We are already looking forward to the FoR Christmas fair which is being held on Saturday 30th November.



Monkey Class

Monkey class had the privilege of being the first class to see and enjoy a real fire at base camp! It took Miss Ezinwa a while to get the fire going but with a lot of will power and cheering on from the children we managed to get the fire started. We talked about the safety rules when fires are lit during outdoor learning sessions. The children were very excited and managed to gather sticks, twigs and bits of willow to get our fire going. We roasted marshmallows on the fire pit and made smores using the marshmallow and bourbon biscuits. We cannot wait to make some more delicious treats next year using our fire pit.



The Gardening Club

This week we planted out tomato, beetroot and lettuce in our new planters. Thank you to the FoR who funded them for us. We are looking forward to seeing them grow over the coming weeks.

Green Flag Award

We are pleased to say that we have been awarded our Green Flag award again this year. This is what the people at Eco Schools had to say about us.

It is evident that young people in your school are aware of environmental issues and passionate about protecting our planet. Your Action Plan is varied and substantial, containing impactful activities for each of your 3 chosen Eco-Schools' topics. The three curriculum examples provided are great examples of environmental education, they are practical and fun with a real-life context that is very relevant to pupils in your school. The curriculum examples provided impressively expand on the projects in your Action Plan, providing pupils with a deeper understanding of the eco-activities they are delivering. We loved reading about the learning which took place in relation to Geography and Science where your pupils looked at extreme weather patterns and how things grow. Staff members in your school have creatively included environmental issues in their teaching, your pupils are fortunate to have teachers who plan such exceptional learning opportunities for them. Your Eco-Committee have used a wide variety of methods to inform their school community about their work including your assemblies, this shows they take pride in their achievements and are working hard to involve and educate all around them. We loved seeing your Eco-Board. It's really visual and engaging and it's great to see your Eco-Committee celebrated! Your greatest success is a brilliant achievement. The engagement and participation from your pupils both at school and at home has been a huge success! It's clearly something that pupils will be proud of and leaves a great legacy to build upon! We love your collaborative approach to creating an Eco-Code, this approach has allowed young people to take ownership and create a final code that will be treasured by everyone at your school! It has been an absolute pleasure to read through your application, you are a wonderful ambassador for the Eco-Schools programme and we are delighted, without hesitation, to award you an Eco-Schools Green Flag – congratulations!



The parasol in the Provision is broken. If any of you have the skills to fix it, we would greatly appreciate your help! Please contact
admin@raglan.bromley.sch.uk

Lunch next Wednesday

The red choice on Wednesday will be a chicken steak in a bap instead of roast dinner.

Umbrella Project Fundraising update

Thank you to everyone who supported the SEND Team stall at the Summer Fair, and to all the families who completed the treasure hunt and entered the competitions.

We raised over £250 towards our £500 target for the ADHD Foundation Umbrella Project. This means we are well on our way to achieving our multi-coloured umbrella installation to celebrate neurodiversity across the school.

We hope to raise the rest of the funds through a non-uniform day at the start of the new school year. More details will follow in September.

Sharks have been busy with their Maths obstacle course this week.....



During maths we completed a obstacle course in pairs. We gave each other instructions to follow. We used all the words we have learnt this week: left, right, in, under, over, backwards and forwards.

Year 5 and 6 Athletics

On Thursday, children from Y5 and 6 journeyed to Norman Park to compete in a local Bromley Athletics Championship. On such a gorgeous day, the children were a model example of behaviour, effort, cheerfulness and support for each other as we posted some outstanding results across a range of track and field events. All children involved should be immensely proud of themselves for the effort they put in as they represented our school superbly. We even have 4 children heading through to the grand final in a couple of weeks' time. My particular thanks must also go to Mr Sykes and to the parent volunteers who made getting to the venue and the organisation of the children possible.



And Finally...

Congratulations to Year 4 who performed very well for their statutory times-tables test. Their individual and collective scores greatly improved on last years'. This is testament to the increased focus on teaching and learning of times tables in school, but also your massive support at home helping your children. Year 4 will now move into upper Key Stage more confident with their maths and be able to access the curriculum more independently as a result of their string times table knowledge.

I would implore all parents to follow Mr Farmer's times tables home support guide located on our website [here](#). The summer holidays provides so many opportunities to learn and reinforce times tables. In addition to this, please do not miss any opportunity to READ, READ and READ more with your children.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr De Freitas