

### Congratulations to our attendance cup winners!

**2C, 3A & 3G all with 100%! 5M & 6K with 100% RS 98.3%**

Dear Parents & Carers,

We would like to start by congratulating all of Year 6 who completed their SATs tests this week. They remained calm & focused for the week, despite some pretty difficult tests and were a credit to their school. Thank you to all of the staff that have taught or worked with them over their time and we wish them the best for their results. Thank you to all the staff that helped them celebrate the end of tests with their SATS breakfast! More importantly is the way they have carried themselves this year, becoming the confident, independent, curious & involved young adults that we know will take these traits with them through life.



Inspired by King Charles' 'Big Help Out' volunteering initiative, we would like to remind everyone about the **Community Makeover Day** at school on Saturday 20th May (12– 4:00pm). Come along and help spruce up the gardens & fences and have a social afternoon together where we can all be 'involved' and give something back. It has been a lovely day in the past and we would love to see as many families as we can, even for a little while. Building a sense of community and helping others was just about the only good thing to come out of Covid– let's help to keep those ideals alive!



A couple of reminders for events coming up:

- **School Photos** (May 22nd/23rd/25th). Please send your child in full school uniform
- Start collecting for **5p Race** on Friday 26th May

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mr Hughes & Ms Crouch



### Dates for your diary:

**Friday 12 May** Coronation Street Party for pupils

**Thursday 18 May** Year 6 Junior Citizen Scheme

**Thursday 18 May** Census Day in school

**Thursday 18 May** RSHE Parent Information Session

**Friday 19 May** Nursery and Reception Craft Walk

**Saturday 20 May** Community Makeover Day in school

**Monday 22—Thursday 25 May** school photos in school this week (subject to weather)

**Friday 26 May** 5p Race in school and cake sale after school. Last day of school before half term

**Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June** half term holiday

**Thursday 20 July** last day of school for pupils

Our Value of the month: is...



A big thank you!

The last two cake sales have raised an amazing £500 for the school PTA. We couldn't do this without the donations of cakes you send in and the 50p's the children bring in to buy them.

The next cake sale is on Friday 26 May.

Check your spam!

We are aware that emails from the school sometimes end up in Spam folders. Please make sure you add the school email address to your 'safe' list so that our communications get to you safely.

### Census Day Thursday 18 May

Census Day is on **Thursday 18 May** and is a really important day for the school. The amount of funding we receive from the Local Authority is decided on that day. Ultimately this determines how much funding the school has to spend on the pupils and ensures we can provide the best resources for them.

**YOU CAN HELP!** If your child is in Reception, Year 1, or Year 2 please consider booking them in for a school dinner on that day. The more children in these year groups who have a school dinner on Census Day, the more money the school receives. So even if your child usually has a packed lunch, please book them in for a school dinner for **Thursday 18 May**.

Thank you for your support!

### Discounted Tickets to Southend's Adventure Island

Buy your Adventure Island tickets through the PTA and save over 30% off the door price! Adventure Island is a great day out with fun for all ages. It includes nearly 40 rides, a massive indoor soft play, amusements and restaurants. Adventure Island is an 'admission free' park so you only need to buy a wristband for those who want to go on the rides. Tickets are available at <https://bit.ly/AIsland> and are valid until December 2024.

Congratulations to Sasha in 3G who took part in a skateboard competition recently. He came first in the Under 8 category.

Well done Sasha!



Congratulations to ex-pupil Ezra who has been signed for a two year scholarship with West Ham United Academy— what an amazing achievement!

Well done Ezra!

### Struggling?

#### [ILFORD COMMUNITY GROCERY](#)

Ilford community grocery have set up a scheme for residents who are struggling financially- it has been set up to support families with grocery shopping. Residents can join the scheme by paying £5 annually and they can go to city gates and get groceries (mini shop) for maximum of £4 (<https://communitygrocery.org.uk>)

City Gates  
25 – 29 Clements Road  
Ilford  
IG1 1BH  
OPENING 28th MARCH  
Monday – Friday 9:30am – 4:30pm

Please see Mr Hughes or Ms Crouch on the gate if you need any help.  
It is confidential and we WILL help.

### Thoughtful Thursdays—a reminder

Thank you all so much for the wonderful donations given to our Thoughtful Thursday foodbank. The difference these donations have made to local families is huge.

Just a reminder, please drop off any long life goods to the school playground on a Thursday morning.

If you are a family who could use a little extra help, please get in touch with Mr Hughes or Ms Crouch any day.



### Community Makeover Day

The school community makeover day will be on **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May from 12pm – 4pm.**

We invite families to come together to help look after the school by volunteering to do some hard (ish) graft.

This year's tasks include painting the railings outside reception (to match the new awning that you may have seen going up), repairing the planters in front of the library bus and replanting in them, as well as repairing the bus itself. If anyone is particularly skilled in **bus body repair**, please let us know... we need your help!

We will be providing food and refreshments to the workers. It's usually a really fun day, we'd love to see you there.

Please contact the PTA

([aldersbrookpta@gmail.com](mailto:aldersbrookpta@gmail.com) or by whatsapp) if you'd like to be involved.

**Reminder:** start saving 5p coins NOW!



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The Essex Fire  
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at Grays

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Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2023

(10.30am to 4.00pm)

The Essex Fire  
Museum  
at Grays



Visits must be pre-booked via:  
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# REDBRIDGE FABULA FESTIVAL

Education Programme 2023



**Ravena Guron**

Suitable for KS2 (YRs 4-6)

**Tuesday 11 July - 10.30am**

Keith Axon Library, Grove Road, RM6 4XB

**Tuesday 11 July - 1.30pm**

Hainault Library, 100 Manford Way, IG7 4DD



**Michael Mann**

Suitable for KS2 (YR4-6)

**Wednesday 12 July - 10.30am**

Kenneth More Theatre, Oakfield Road, IG1 1BT



**fabula**  
reading  
challenge

**Fabula Festival** is an annual arts & literature festival organised by Vision Redbridge Culture & Leisure. It's a celebration of the power of libraries to transform young lives.

The festival encourages children of all ages to develop their enjoyment of reading, creative writing and story making through fun workshops and inspiring author events. A new addition for 2023 is a reading challenge where children get to set their own summer reading targets! (see our reading challenge page for further information)

This year we are delighted to host author Ravena Guron at Keith Axon and Hainault Libraries and award-winning writer Michael Mann at Kenneth More Theatre in Ilford.

Ravena Guron is an MG author, a superb new voice who brings her own captivating brand of energy, wild adventure and joy to the genre. Her book, *The Thief of Farrowfell* is the first in the series following Jude Ripon. It was shortlisted for Penguin's WriteNow scheme, as well as being highly commended in the FAB Prize.

Michael Mann is a teacher and author whose book *Ghostcloud* was a Waterstones Best Children's Book of 2021, a Guardian pick and included in the Book Trust Great Books Guide 2022.

**Pupils will have an opportunity to buy the authors books in advance and both events will be followed by book signings by the authors.**

This education programme is offered for free to Redbridge schools, on a first come first served basis. Feedback on previous events from teachers:

"This was an amazing chance to meet and speak to a successful author in person. What a great role model and inspiration he was! We had a fantastic trip. Our children were completely enthralled, lots of them have said that they now want to be authors!"  
**Teacher, William Torbitt School**

"This was great for children who struggle to read. Everyone had a great time. Thank you!"  
**Teacher, Grove Primary**

"It has allowed me to see how great illustration and drawing can be in reading and writing lessons. I plan to implement this in my future planning."  
**Teacher, Gearies Primary**

"We have lots of EAL children in year 1 and also some children who struggle to sit and listen in class so this was a great visual and interactive way for them to listen and learn the story. All the children loved the experience"  
**Teacher, Coppice Primary**

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