

Rue's Remarks

We have had a fantastic start back to school. We now have 254 children and a staff team of nearly 100, making us the biggest Special School in South Tyneside.

It has been fabulous to meet all of our new children and families. I'm really looking forward to seeing how you progress over the Autumn term and beyond.

Keep an eye out for our brand new website- we hope to launch it before Christmas!
Mr. Rue

Enjoy the half term break - see you all back on Monday 3rd November 2025
Ready to listen, ready to learn together.

School Council Selection

Mrs Murphy recently led the student leadership process. Mr Rue received over 25 letters of nominations for Head boys/girls and House captains as well as vice positions. There were over 40 nominations to be a school councillor which demonstrates the students confidence. Students presented a short talk as to why they wanted the position and how they would make school a better place for all. The school community voted and 14 councillors were elected. Our first meeting was held on the 13th October where we discussed our priorities -one of which was our halloween disco.

Singing Hands Visit



On Wednesday 17th September we were joined by Singing Hands for the day where they delivered a range of

workshops with our children using props and signs.

We sang songs that included Pink Pony Club, Stargazing, Elephants have wrinkles and Animal tea party. All of the children and staff thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Cross Country Event

Cross Country Champions!

On Wednesday 24th September, students across 3 age groups participated in a Cross Country competition at Temple Park. All of our competitors showed amazing effort and we came away with lots of medals, including overall U14 Girls, U16 Girls and U16 Boys winners as well as individual awards. ✨

A special mention to Jacob who ran in every age category and barely broke a sweat! 🙌

- Boys 11 and under 🏆 Jacob 1st
- Boys 14 and under 🏆 🥈 Noah 1st Christopher 3rd
- Girls 14 and under 🏆 🥈 Alexis 1st Bridie 3rd
- Boys 16 and under 🏆 Archie 1st
- Girls 16 and under 🏆 🥈 Demi 3rd

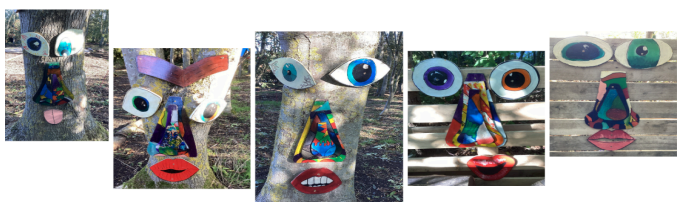


Important Dates

The Storytellers

During the summer term, Pink Class worked on a storytelling project in Art and DT. They used the skills that they had developed, to design and manufacture 'Storytellers'; magical faces made incorporating eyes, noses, mouths and eyebrows.

THE STORYTELLERS



Inspired by fantasy trees, the students cut out the facial features in DT and painted the designs in Art.

To strengthen the cross curricular links between Art, DT and Literacy, the Storytellers can be used as inspiration for narrative pieces of writing. They are residing in the woodland walk so that they can be enjoyed by all of our students.

Play Equipment

The new play equipment on the primary yard has been a huge success.

Kaya, school councillor, has said " I enjoy playing the big 'Connect 4' with both my friends and Mrs Hudson likes to play with me too". Shae, school councillor, said "I love 'hit the button', it's great when you play against someone and win."



Christmas Holiday

Mon 22nd Dec-Fri 2nd Jan

Half Term Holiday

Mon 23rd Feb- Fri 27th Feb

Easter Holiday

Mon 3rd April- Fri 17th April

Inservice Training Day

SCHOOL CLOSED TO STUDENTS

Friday 1st May

Bank Holiday

SCHOOL CLOSED TO STUDENTS

Monday 4th May

Half Term Holiday

Mon 25th May- Friday 29th May

Inservice Training Day

SCHOOL CLOSED TO STUDENTS

Friday 3rd July

Summer Holiday

Commence- Mon 20th July

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