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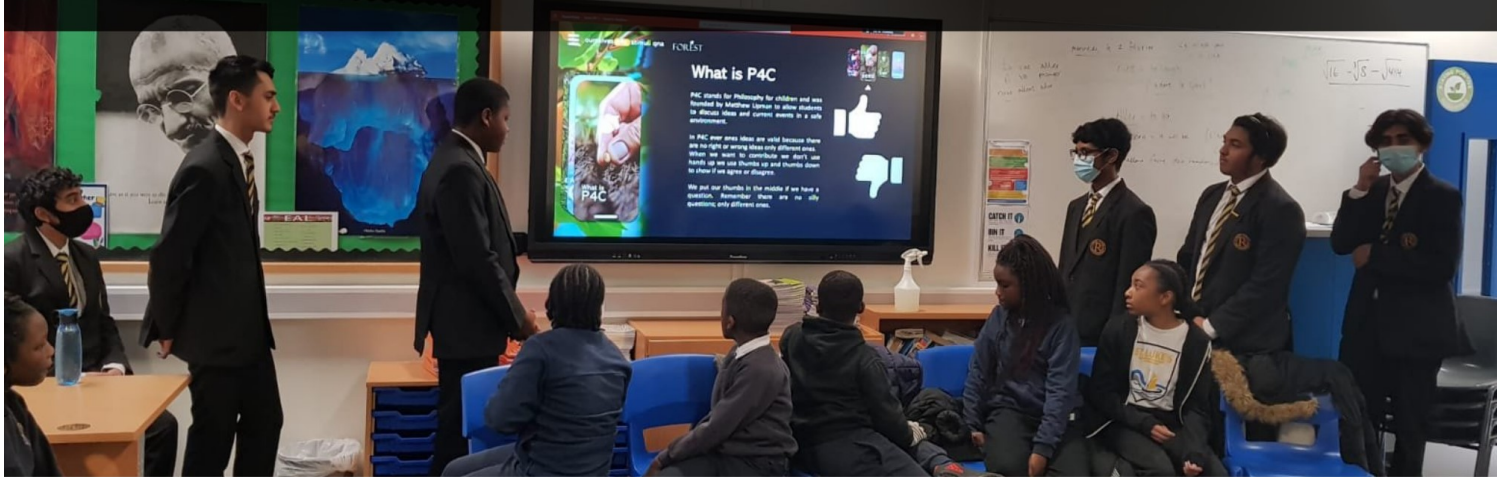
DARE TO BE THE BEST

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DIVERSITY & EQUALITY MONTH

Diversity and Equality Month got off to a fantastic start with some great collaborative work between Rokeby and St Luke's Primary School. Rokeby staff and students delivered two P4C sessions for Year 5 students; Mr Galoria visited St Luke's for the first session while Rokeby hosted the second. This offered pupils a real taste of secondary school life with the added bonus of a Q&A session with former St Luke's pupil, Chinemere (Year 8).

The theme of the enquiries has focussed on the topics of leadership qualities, diversity and disability rights. Our students were fantastic role models. Thank you to St Luke's pupils for their enthusiastic and thoughtful engagement in the activities.



Respect, Success, Passion for Learning, Personal Challenge, Harmony



ABLE WRITERS WORKSHOP



A group of Year 7 & 8 students took part in a writing workshop this week, facilitated by the award-winning author and performance poet, [Neal Zetter](#). Neal engaged students with readings from his books including his latest publication, *When the Bell Goes (A Rapping, Rhyming Trip through Childhood)*, which is jam packed with poems about school days and growing up.

It was a fantastic event; it really challenged some of our most able writers to think outside the box, to express themselves more creatively and to think about how they can develop their own voice and writing style. Well done to all the students involved!

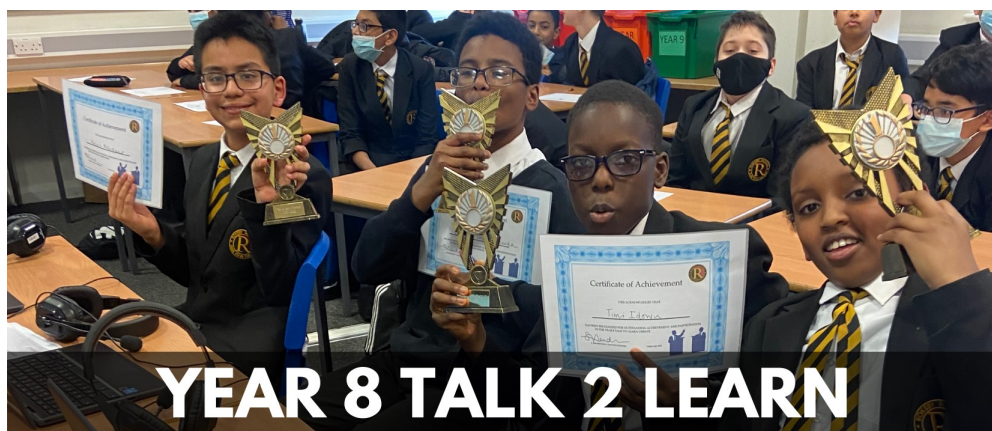
COOL ADDICTION

My head is stuck inside this book
I only meant to take a look
Till I saw what had been written
Instantly my mind was smitten
In a land of fascination
Sparking my imagination
Passions burning like a flame
Pictures dancing in my brain

My head is stuck inside this book
Just one page was all it took
I was focused and engaged
Thrilled, enthralled and entertained
Title, cover - so inviting
Words speak to me - so exciting
Such adventure, such intrigue
In a world of make believe

My head is stuck inside this book
Superglued, completely hooked
Unaware of all around me
Once this magic story found me
Characters feel like my friends
Plot unfolding till the end
Whether fact or whether fiction
Reading is a cool addiction

By Neal Zetter



YEAR 8 TALK 2 LEARN

Rokeby's second Talk 2 Learn debate of the year took place last week with 8ROK and 8EBY going head to head on the motion "Protest only divides". Both sides presented some excellent arguments, however it was 8EBY who were crowned the champions.

Head judge, Mr Skinner, commented: *whilst both sides made valid points and had individual passionate speakers, the greater collective contribution was made by EBY's representatives. Adrian was very logical, Daniel used good examples with the Salt March, Timi expanded on this with further global examples of North Korea and China. Mahamed concluded with a very well constructed counter argument.*

NUMBER DAY



Number Day was a big success again this year. Students and staff took part in maths themed activities throughout the day including 'who wants to be a mathionaire?' competition, get in shape activities and a closely contested staff vs. students maths quiz. In addition, students across the school participated in a number hunt; the answers to their quiz were posted around school and on teachers' t-shirts. There was a real buzz during the day with students eagerly hunting down the correct answers to their questions. Thanks to everyone for their enthusiastic engagement in the days' activities.

YEAR 9 FOOTBALL



Congratulations to our Year 9 football team who won 3-1 against Eastlea in the second round of the Newham cup. Man of the match goes to Fred for his excellent defending skills throughout the game.

HOMework CLUB



Year 7: Tuesdays
Year 8: Wednesdays
Year 9: Thursdays
Year 10: Fridays

2:45pm - 3:45pm in F27



LETTER TO PARENTS

All parents/carers should have received an email from school this week. The email included a letter from [LB Newham providing updated COVID-19 advice](#) and guidance for all students to take two lateral flow tests before returning to school after half term.

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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

I lost my leg aged five...
I'm now 1.9 seconds
behind Usain Bolt.

- Jonnie Peacock -

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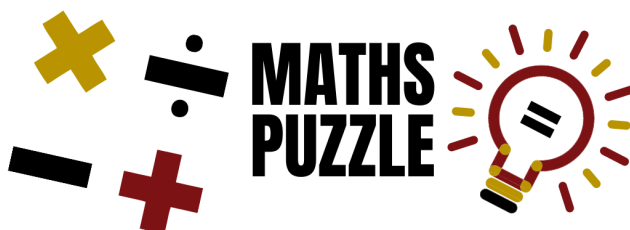
WORD OF THE WEEK

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daigner (fr)

dignarse (sp)

сблаговолить (ru)



Can you crack Mr Fox's Maths puzzle this week?
Click [here](#) for the puzzle.
Take your answers to Mr Fox on Monday morning
for an achievement point and prize!