



Rush Common School Newsletter

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AMBITIONS DAY 2018

Cracking Code Breakers

Ambitions Day at Rush Common School was full of secrecy and surprise as Mr Kendry taught 3SA in the crowded classroom of 2KWLK. Mr Kendry told everyone that Maths is as important as any other subject as he explained, "Every credit card has a code in it and if you do a lot of Maths and the answer end in zero it's real and not if it ends in any other number".

All tables were given a name of a Harry Potter character (Luna Lovegood, Hermione Granger, Ron Weasley and Harry Potter). 3SA had to decode the credit cards and find out which of the four was fake. Mr Kendry explained that codes are a secret message. There was a sensation of voices from Year 3. They are going to be very good at code breaking. Everyone has had a great time and nobody will forget Ambitions Day 2018.



Reporters, Jamie D and Kitty 5JN

Thrilling Theatre

For Ambitions Day, on Thursday 18th October 2018, we visited the Year 2 children who were learning about theatre with Mr Carson.

It was very quiet because everybody was listening intently. He was telling them about the wonders of actors, cues, lights and make-up. We heard from make-up artist Laura Odum who was showing us how to do wounds with make-up. She started putting red pencil marks on the man's back, which she then smudged with her fingers. After that, she rubbed on some dark red paint and put blobs of clear jelly on top. She put yellow colouring in them and added running fake blood. A cue is a signal for an actor to do something. They can be a change in lights, sounds or movement of other actors.

They cut foam and painted it to look like flint, which they then glued to the sides of a cricket bat, making it look like a chainsaw. The man on the video exclaimed "This is wondrous woodwork".

Reporters, Eliza and Catherine 4LR

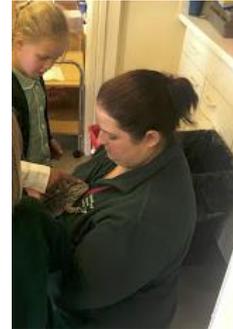


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Doggy Days

On Ambitions Day at Rush Common we visited a Year 2 class where we found the vets in 1JBKJLD. It was a hands-on experience.

They had brought in a bearded dragon called Bella, a dog called Ava, a tortoise called Squirt and 2 rabbits, one called Fran and the other Erick. The children saw an x-ray of Ava and found out she had diabetes. One of the boys held the bearded dragon and said "The lizard is cold and spikey". As we were leaving the class, Squirt went under a desk and out of sight. He was so fast that we thought we had seen the fastest tortoise in the world! When he went under the desk it was like a game of hide-and-seek-it, because they couldn't catch him.



Reporters, Gaby and Jasper 4CM

Goldie Not Guilty

The final verdict on a case of burglary, theft and criminal damage charges, saw Miss Goldilocks walk free from court. Halfway through the case, the jury's conclusion divided into two, leaving the defendant with unease. Soon after, the jury had their final decision, releasing Goldie from the suspense! Discussions from the court - though unsettling for those in the room - respected the eventual opinion.

Interaction from the children felt real, thanks to Mr Neal, Mrs Goodger and Alex. The three provided creative costumes such as robes and wigs. Did you know a barrister's wig is made from the finest horse hair which can only be bought in the depths of London. From the judge herself, she claimed wearing such a tradition was actually quite oily and itchy. Unexpectedly, in a short duration of the conversation, a police van proudly showed off its sirens for younger children but it left the rest of the court in confusion! Scripts were used that had powerful language for debating against the opposing side. For example, "It was an accident waiting to occur!" left the prosecution lost for words. Children really grasped the understanding of being a lawyer. At this moment in time, Goldilocks is running through the woods freely, resisting the urge to run into another house. Overall the children of Rush Common Primary School have learnt about and now want to participate in the role of a lawyer! A valuable lesson was also learned... never run into a bear's cottage!

Reporters Grace and Sandra 6LR



We would like to thank all our visitors who so generously gave up their time to inspire our pupils and Wesley Smith who oversaw the team of Rush Common journalists.

“What a pleasure to spend such a productive and fun day at Rush Common. The journalism team worked very well together and created impressive articles from scratch. Incisive, imaginative and inspiring writing”.

Wesley Smith, Broadcast Journalist

