

Russell Street School



Newsletter

Summer Term 1 2024



Message from our Headteacher

Welcome back to the first half of the Summer Term. I hope that you all had a wonderful Easter holiday and feel rested. With long summer days and time in the fresh air; there is so much to look forward to this half term.

We start this term with World Circus Day. Children will be watching circus events online and practising the circus skills of juggling, using diablos, spinning plates and walking on mini-stilts.



Units of learning for this term are:

Nursery – Occupations & Seaside in the Summer [Russell Street School - Nursery Units of Work \(russell-street-school.co.uk\)](http://russell-street-school.co.uk)

Reception – Dangerous Dinosaurs & Sunshine and Sunflowers [Russell Street School - Reception Units of Work \(russell-street-school.co.uk\)](http://russell-street-school.co.uk)

Year One – Out of Africa [Russell Street School - Key Stage One Units of Work \(russell-street-school.co.uk\)](http://russell-street-school.co.uk)

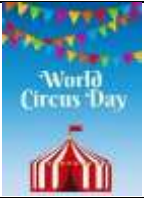








Year Two – Location, Location – India [Russell Street School - Key Stage One Units of Work \(russell-street-school.co.uk\)](http://russell-street-school.co.uk)

If you feel you could support any of our learning above or have any resources to enhance our learning, we would love to hear from you. Please contact office@russell-street-school.co.uk

Further information about everything we do can be found on our website [Russell Street School - Home \(russell-street-school.co.uk\)](http://russell-street-school.co.uk)

Kind regards

Mrs Dawn Robinson

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|  | <p>World Circus Day – 17th April</p> <p>World Circus Day is celebrated to shine a spotlight on circus creators, performers and artists. Circus art is brought to the forefront to create awareness for everyone involved in the industry. From veteran performers to up-and-coming artists, this day is dedicated to their hard work and commitment. Circus art is not as easy as it looks — it takes years of training and perseverance to achieve mastery. We will be practising circus skills using juggling balls, diablos, spinning plates and mini stilts.</p> | |
| <p>29th April – International Day of Dance</p> <p>International Dance Day is held yearly on 29th April. It is a day dedicated to all things moving, grooving and shaking! Dancing has lots of benefits; it can keep us healthy, improves our mood and allows us to express ourselves. All P.E. lessons this week will focus on dance.</p> |  | |
|  | <p>3rd May– World Laughter Day</p> <p>World Laughter Day was created in 1998 by Dr. Madan Kataria, founder of the worldwide Laughter Yoga movement. The celebration of World Laughter Day is a positive manifestation for world peace and is intended to build up a global consciousness of brotherhood and friendship through laughter. More than just laugh, we will aim to make everyone laugh and smile this week. We may even try some Yoga!</p> | |
| <p>Assessment dates to note for this term</p> <p>End of KS1 assessments are now non-statutory from this academic year. The reception baseline assessment (RBA) has now replaced the end of KS1 assessments as the baseline for primary progress measures. Schools will still receive materials for optional end of KS1 tests. These materials will be used to give you an indication of the attainment of your child in preparation for KS2.</p> <p>Year 2 optional SATs assessments will take place between 1st and the 31st May.</p> <p>Year 1 Phonics screening will take place week commencing 10th June.</p> |  | |
|  | <p>Deaf Awareness Week – Week commencing 6th May</p> <p>12 million adults in the UK are deaf or have hearing loss. We can all play our part to be more deaf aware, both at work and in daily life. There are over 50,000 deaf children and young people in the UK. We will continue to learn sign language as well as improve our deaf awareness.</p> <p>Deaf Awareness Tips from colleagues at the National Deaf Children's Society (youtube.com)</p> <p>Deaf Awareness Week National Deaf Children's Society (ndcs.org.uk)</p> |  |
| <p>World Bee Day – 20th May</p> <p>World Bee Day 2024 will be observed on May 20th. This day was chosen by the United Nations in honour of the birthday of Anton Janša, the pioneer of beekeeping in the 18th century. World Bee Day is a day to realise how bees are integral to many of our Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We will be learning about the importance of bees and beekeeping, with a special emphasis on the role of bees as pollinators.</p> |  | |
|  | <p>International Tea Day – 21st May - PA event</p> <p>International Tea Day is celebrated every year on May 21st. On this day, tea lovers unite in celebration of their favourite beverage. International Tea Day also promotes ways to sustain the production and consumption of tea. The PA will be hosting their next tea/coffee morning on this date and welcome you all to the school hall as soon as you have dropped off your children.</p> | |
|  | <p>Metamorphosis with the Live Butterfly Garden – Nursery and Reception.</p> <p>Nursery and Reception children will have the opportunity to watch caterpillars change into chrysalides and then emerge as beautiful Painted Lady Butterflies that are then released into the wild. This process takes between 3 and 5 weeks. If you would like to try this at home, home kits are available from https://www.insectlore.co.uk/</p> |  |

