

Friday, 17th March 2017

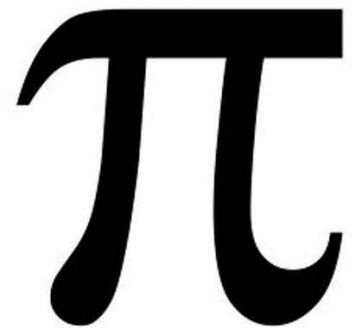


# ROKEBY RECORDER

DARE TO BE THE BEST

## CELEBRATING PI DAY

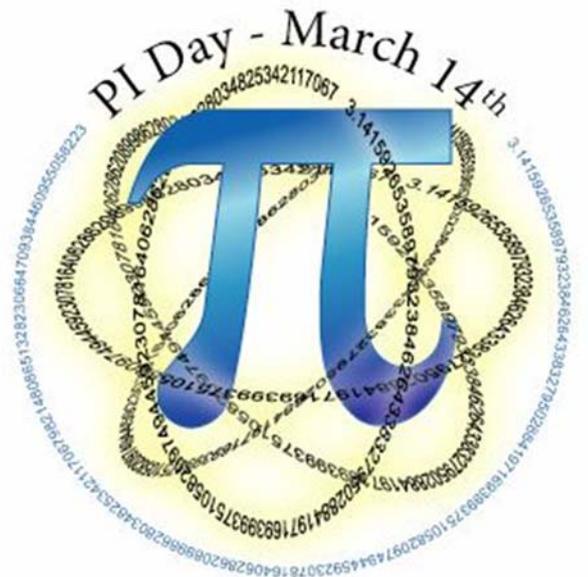
Tuesday this week was 14th March. We write this as 14/3 however in other countries around the world it is written as 3.14. **This is a very important number in mathematics.** Pi ( $\pi$ ) is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter. Pi is a constant number, meaning that for all circles of any size, Pi will be the same. Try it for yourself - take anything that's circular (CD, Frisbee, basketball hoop) and divide its circumference by its diameter and you're sure to get the answer 3.14. Pi has been calculated to an infinite number of decimal places and the number continues without repetition or pattern. As only a few digits are needed for typical calculations we round Pi to 2 decimal places and use the value 3.14.



The Maths Department celebrated Pi day with quizzes and challenges across the school and staff were treated to fruit pies in the staff room!



The maths team in their Pi uniforms including Pi ties



## International Women's Day

It's tradition now at Rokeby for Year 10 GCSE Russian students to give greeting cards to female members of staff on International Women's Day which takes place every year on the 8<sup>th</sup> March.

This year students spent their free time making paper flowers and searching for Russian poems to include in their gifts. It's a small act of thoughtfulness but it is much appreciated by staff. С 8-ым Марта!

Ms Dambrauskiene, Russian Teacher



*Our Values: Respect, Success, Passion for Learning, Personal Challenge, Harmony*

# THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: a roof without pillars...

## INTER-FORM TABLE TENNIS COMPETITION

At Rokeby we are proud of our history of tackling discrimination within the school. This year we are continuing our support for Stonewall, the LGBT charity, with the Rainbow Laces campaign. As part of this, staff and sports teams will be wearing their rainbow laces for all matches. We will also be running an inter-form table tennis competition throughout next week, encouraging all students to work as teams and to support their tutor group.

There will be an opportunity for staff and students to take on a professional. Is there anyone who thinks they can take on a champion? Coach Ash is willing to give **YOU** the opportunity to play him at table tennis to see if you really have what it takes. So far no one from Rokeby has been able to beat him....could you change that? This is a charity event so will require a £1 donation-all money raised will go towards 7Y's campaign for Save the Children.



PE Department

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



**Thurs 23rd March-  
Fri 31st March**  
Year 11 Mocks

**Mon 3rd April-  
Mon 17th April**  
Easter holidays

**Thurs 20th April**  
Year 8 Parents' Eve

**Thurs 11 May**  
Year 7 Parents' Eve

## ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

### Did you know:

90% attendance = 1/2 day missed every week.

90% attendance over one school year = 4 whole weeks of missed lessons!

### How is YOUR tutor group doing?

Congratulations this week go to:

**9E** with the best attendance at 100% &

**9K** with the best punctuality at **99.6%**

## WORD OF THE WEEK

This week our word of the week is **Tantalizing**

Can you find the meaning of this word and make a sentence? Once you have, come to the library and see Ms Hendrickson for a merit.

## YOUTH TRAVEL AMBASSADOR AWARD

We are Rokeby's Youth Travel Ambassadors and we have decided to focus our campaign on overcrowding on local buses by encouraging students to consider other ways of travelling to school. As part of our campaign we plan to organise an active travel month when students are challenged to walk, cycle or skateboard to school. At the end of the month we will run an active travel race where students who run, cycle or skateboard race each other to school.

Last week we presented our ideas to a panel

**Students at the TfL pitch event with their cheque**

were successful in being awarded a

cheque for £250 to support our campaign. It was a great experience and we did really well especially as the other students at the event were sixth formers. We felt confident and gained a lot of knowledge from doing the presentation.



We also really enjoyed the walk through Green Park on the way to TfL's offices! We need to send the panel a breakdown of how we plan on spending our budget and then we will get on with launching our ideas and presenting them to the school.