



Friday, 5th May 2017



# ROKEBY RECORDER

DARE TO BE THE BEST

## 'Code on the Road' workshop at HereEast

Rokeby students took part in a fun and engaging computer programming workshop at HereEast, in the heart of the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, which introduced them to a variety of computers and programming languages including original 1980s BBC Microcomputers!

Students also had the opportunity to explore the 64bits exhibition after the workshop to view the early years of the web.

*Mr Bayeh, Computer Science Teacher*



The students confidently and competently contributed to a seminar with Jasel Nandha who used the 1980's BBC Microcomputers. He stated "What an amazing group of students, this is very exciting for me right now to be able to share my knowledge with such enthusiastic and well behaved young men that have engaged throughout my presentation." The students were also excited to learn the contribution made to technology by ethnic minorities and women. Did you know that the first item sold online was a pepperoni and mushroom pizza with extra cheese!!

*Ms D Ward, Learning Mentor*

## Rokeby's Ryan mixes with royalty



Rokeby student Ryan Hicks had an amazing experience recently, when he was picked to introduce Tom Cruise at a Buckingham Palace gala dinner for the Outward Bound Trust.

Ryan made sure to make the most of the opportunity - by asking the star for a movie role! Before the event, Ryan was introduced to Cruise by the trust's patron, Joanna Lumley. He said: "I had been rehearsing what I was going to say and one of the first people I saw was Tom Cruise and I just froze. If it wasn't for Joanna Lumley I would never have spoken to him. He was taller than I expected. He said I was very brave to introduce him and wished me good luck."

Ryan introduced Cruise after talking about his first Outward Bound trip in December at the Aberdovey Outdoor Education Centre in Snowdonia, where he stayed in a log cabin and went rock climbing and canoeing. Cruise told the audience that other young people should "be more like Ryan". The teenager said: "I can't believe he said my name. It was out of this world."

Ryan urged more young people to get involved with the Outward Bound Trust. He said: "People in London are stuck on their phones all the time and stay indoors. It's good to get some fresh air and find out what your limits are. Now I know what I'm capable of."

The trust works with 62 London schools to run trips to the countryside. In the past decade more than 10,000 teenagers have taken part. Rokeby's headteacher, Ms Robinson, said: "Ryan's achievement is testament to his exceptional work ethic ... We are very proud of him."

# THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: Follow effective action with quiet reflection.



- ✓ Rice/pasta
- ✓ Tinned meat/fish
- ✓ Tinned vegetables/fruit
- ✓ Pasta sauces
- ✓ Soup
- ✓ Milk (UHT or powdered)
- ✓ Sugar
- ✓ Fruit juice (carton)
- ✓ Cereals
- ✓ Biscuits or snack bars
- ✓ Tea & instant coffee
- ✓ Jam
- ✓ Toiletries

*No contribution too small - collectively we can make a big difference!*

Rokeby's food bank is supporting families in crisis. If you would like to contribute, please take any non-perishable food items and/or toiletries to Debbie Ward's office. Thank you

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



**Thurs 11th May**  
Y7 Parents' Evening

**Friday 26th May**  
Y11 Graduation & Last day of term

**Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June** Half term holiday

## 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:

**7B & 11K** with the best attendance at 99.3% & **7E** with the best punctuality at **99.4%**

## WORD OF THE WEEK

This week our word of the week is

**oblique**

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.

## Homework Club

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3pm to 4pm in F27.

Every Friday from 3pm-3.30pm in F27.

All year groups can attend.

Supervised sessions

Free access to computers, text books, advice and printers

A quiet and safe study space

## Coffee Mornings



There's plenty of opportunities for parents & carers to pop in to school, to meet staff, ask questions or to just socialise with other parents. Our next Coffee Mornings are taking place on:

- Tuesday, 9th May at 9.45am
- Monday, 15th May at 9.45am
- Tuesday, 23rd May at 9.45am