



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 18th September 2020

Right of the Fortnight

Article 31: Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.

Dear Parents,

I hope you are all well and that your children are enjoying being back at school. I know that these are difficult and challenging times for us all and I appreciate the overwhelming level of support shown to us by parents and our school community. The summer feels like a lifetime away as we are certainly feeling the autumnal weather. Please make sure your child brings a coat to school as the weather is very changeable and cooling down quickly. Please put names in your children's coats and jumpers as then they can be easily returned. We always end up with huge amounts of lost property. We will endeavour to keep you fully informed of our upcoming events through the newsletter, our website: rosastreetprimary.org.uk (where all newsletters are uploaded), twitter (@rosastreet4) and our school Facebook page. Download our app to keep up to date with all school messages – for further details see our website.



World's Biggest Virtual Coffee Afternoon - Macmillan Fundraising Event on Friday 25th September

We will be holding a virtual coffee afternoon in school with the children. We will supply the cakes and juice for the children and we have a link to 'Zoom' so that you can join us from your home with a cup of tea and a

cake. We hope that you are able to bake with your child this week so that you can share with us pictures of your cakes and family coffee afternoons. We will be sharing further information next week about making donations online to Macmillan to show your support for this special charity. The Zoom invite is below:

Rosa Street Primary is inviting you to a scheduled Virtual Macmillan Coffee Afternoon on Zoom.

Virtual Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Time: Sep 25, 2020 02:15 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/92215558428?pwd=UEV2b01lbkdWZk9PR2NTU1MzSDBGQT09>

Meeting ID: 922 1555 8428

Passcode: AN4cPQ

Reception Phonics Information Session for Parents – Thursday 24th September at 5pm

There will be a meeting on Zoom to give you further information on how you can support your child with their reading using a phonics approach. Miss Darke will be e-mailing parents with the Zoom invitation shortly.



Birthday Treat!

Don't forget you can still come to school in your own clothes on your birthday. If your birthday is in the school holidays or on a weekend then please choose the closest day to wear your own clothes to school.



Updated Attendance Guidance – this was sent out on the app yesterday and is available on our website

Healthy Packed Lunches

Please can we remind parents about the school's policy on healthy packed lunches. If you wish to send your child into school with a packed lunch then it must be in line with our policy.

Drinks - Children can bring water, water with a squeeze of fresh fruit or smoothies to school. Fruit juice can be brought into school in cartons or a drinks bottle. Please ensure that the serving is no greater than 150ml as the benefits of the fruit are outweighed by the sugar content. If your child really wants to bring fruit juice cartons then we have found these cartons at Asda to be economical and compliant. They are less than 150ml and only 85p for 4.



Snacks – No chocolate covered items. This is any sweet food item that is covered in chocolate (even the chocolate covered balls in yoghurts). Children can bring cakes, biscuit and chocolate chip items as long as they are not covered in chocolate. **Crisps/Fried/baked vegetable snacks** - These snacks can be brought into school but they must have less than 2g of saturated fat per 100g and less than 1.5g of salt per 100g. Some vegetable snacks appear healthy but have high levels of salt.

Water bottles in class

Pupils must have water in their water bottles in the classroom. This is part of our healthy schools initiative and it is to ensure that we encourage healthy choices. Please do not send juice into school for children to drink in class as this is not allowed.

Class e-mails – Please don't forget to use your child's class e-mail if you wish to contact the teacher. I know there have been questions about pupils accessing 'Teams' and if you drop your child's teacher an e-mail I am sure they would be happy to help.

Helping Hands – Next Meeting Friday 25th September at 1pm



All are welcome to join this virtual meeting but you will need to contact the school office by email: rosastreet@durhamlearning.net to get the link.

Governor Vacancy

Are you interested in becoming a school governor? We have 2 vacancies for parent governors. School Governors make a positive contribution to children's education by offering supportive challenge to help raise standards and monitor resources effectively. School Governors work as a team and come from a wide variety of backgrounds to add value to school life by offering their skills, expertise and time. Rosa Street Primary School is committed to raising educational standards and we are looking for dedicated individuals who want to make a difference in the lives of children and are willing to share their experience in an educational environment.

Preferable skills and competencies: We are looking for dedicated individuals who can offer their knowledge and expertise in one or more of these areas; finance, human resources, health and safety, communications or managing premises.

If you have a passion for improving the life chances of children and can offer supportive challenge to the leadership of our school to help us to fulfil our vision, please complete and return a letter of interest, explaining why you would like to fulfil the role of Parent Governor. Letters of interest need to be emailed to rosastreet@durhamlearning.net by the closing date of **Friday 2nd October 2020**. A discussion with the Head teacher and Chair of Governors would be offered to any interested parent. Governors do not need any formal qualifications but must be aged 18 years and over. Closing date for nominations is 3.15pm on Friday 2nd October 2020.