



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 20th November 2020

Right of the Fortnight

Article 30: Every child has the right to learn and use the language, customs and religions of their family.

Dear Parents,

Thank you all for your continued support as we work together to keep each other safe during Covid-19. We were delighted to raise £272.20 for the Poppy Appeal this year so thank you for all your contributions. We also had a successful year fundraising for Children in Need. We managed to raise £119 by taking part in our school workout with Joe Wicks. Our pupils also enjoyed coming to school in odd socks on Monday to raise awareness for anti-bullying week. Year 4 really made the most of their 'Roman Day' and came into school in some amazing costumes. We have also managed to hold parent consultations over the phone this week which is a change to our usual parent's evening but seems to have worked really well. Thank you to all for your help and support. 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.

Covid- 19 Safety Update

We continue to regularly review our systems and procedures in school to ensure that everybody on our school site is kept safe and well. Please remember to use the e-mail address which is specifically to notify us of a positive Covid-19 test result out of school hours. This inbox will be monitored at all times (including evenings and weekends). The e-mail address is: covidreportrosa@cclt.education. It is hugely important that you keep your contact details up to date on the parent app as if we need to close a year group then we will contact you via the school app. We apologise that this may be at short notice as we are completely dependent on the timing of the positive result arriving in school and the subsequent advice from public health England.

Year 2 - Be a Farmer for the Day on Thursday 26th November



Our Year 2 pupils are being challenged to create their own Farmer outfit to wear in school on Thursday 26th November. Here is an example of what a farmer might wear: jeans, check shirt/top, bandana and wellies. They will be taking part in a range of educational and experiential activities to embrace and develop their learning about farming and healthy food. Such as planting seeds and cooking vegetable soup! We do not expect you to buy new costumes for this day and we would much prefer home-made items that have been reused. These costume items do not need to be brought into school until Thursday 26th November. On this day the children will be wearing their costumes all day so they can come to school wearing them.



Christmas Jumper Day and Dinner on Friday 11th December 2020 If your child is on packed lunch and you would like them to have a school dinner, please let the office know and make payment via the gateway by **Wednesday 25th November**. The cost is £2.10 per pupil. Pupils who already have a school dinner will automatically get Christmas Dinner. We are asking pupils to come to school in their **Christmas Jumpers** (these can be homemade using a jumper and some decorations). If you have Christmas jumpers that you no longer need then please send them into school in the next few weeks and we will pass them onto other children. We are asking pupils to bring a donation for Save the Children. This charity aims to make sure that every child in the world grows up healthy and happy and we hope we can count on your support.



HELPING HANDS OF **Helping Hands**



Thank you to all of you who sent money in for the sweetie bags before half term, we raised just over £70 for the children in school. Helping Hands are going to be organising two separate things in the lead up to Christmas, please see the newsletter, app and our Helping Hands of Rosa St facebook page for all of the updates and information you need.

- 1.** The Rosa Street Calendar - yes it's back! Our 2021 calendar will be full of pictures that your children have drawn of themselves. Look out for your child and their teachers on the month of their birthday - we have had some great self-portraits coming in this week! The calendars will also include reminders of holiday dates and training days for 2021 at Rosa St. Calendars are priced at just £3.50 and can be paid for now on the school gateway app. We will be unable to take cash payments this year so please do pay online as you do for school lunches and your calendar will be delivered to your child in class once it is ready. As soon as we have a draft of the calendar made, we will send it out on the app so that you can see what you are buying - it could make a great Christmas gift for someone!
- 2.** Christmas gift stall - for the past 3 years, we have run a Christmas gift stall in school so that the children can buy a £1 gift that is ready wrapped for a parent/carer/special grown-up. Although we will have to make a few changes to this this year, we will still be running it. Look out for information here or on the app about when to send your child in with £1 for their gift. Thanks for your support. The money raised by Helping Hands goes straight to the children. This year we are paying for four year-long magazine subscriptions so that children across the school have some exciting new resources to read, targeted at their age group.

Christmas Dates



Rosa Street Christmas will be a little different this year due to Covid-19 restrictions. We still intend to celebrate and have lots of fun with our pupils. We won't be able to invite parents in to take part in Christmas crafts so staff have made plans to have their Christmas craft session with the children in class bubbles. We usually have a Christmas production and invite parents into watch. Unfortunately we won't be able to do that but we will be producing our very own Christmas video to share with you all on our website. We will be having Christmas parties but we won't be able to receive our usual visit from Santa this year. We hope to have a virtual visit from Santa and we have spoken to the North Pole and arranged for our children's presents to be specially delivered (as long as everyone is good) to each year group bubble on party day so that they don't miss out. We will ask pupils to come to school in their party clothes this year too.

Christmas Party dates –

Monday 14th December – Reception Class Christmas Party

Tuesday 15th December – Year 4 Christmas Party

Wednesday 16th December – Year 1 and Year 5 Christmas Party

Thursday 17th December – Year 2 and Year 3 Christmas Party

Friday 18th December – Year 6 Christmas Party

Sports Update

Monday 23rd/Wednesday 25th November - Hoop Stars are working in school both mornings with classes from Y1-Y6. Each class will have a short session with a coach on one of the days to try out their hula hooping skills. We look forward to seeing the skills they learn on the playground!

Friday 27th November - Classes from Y1 - Y6 will work with Matty from Go Well (formally Sedgefield SSP) to introduce the Fit for Life programme. This will help children with their general fitness levels and can be used in classes as part of the Government's daily active minutes programme.

Can my child go to school today?

Do they have any COVID Symptoms?

- a **high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a **new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a **loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Yes

They have a COVID symptom

No

They do not have a COVID symptom

Self Isolate and Book a COVID Test

Book the test online or call 119

All members of the household should stay at home until the test result is known.*

* Visit [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) for advice on when to stop isolating and return to school after a positive or negative test.

Do they have diarrhoea or vomiting?

No

They do not have diarrhoea or vomiting

Yes

They have diarrhoea or vomiting

Do they feel unwell?

It is important that parents keep children at home when they are unwell

No

They do not feel unwell

Yes

They feel unwell

Send to School

So long as your child feels well, has not been told to self-isolate and there are no other household members with COVID symptoms, it is OK for them to attend school.

Keep at Home

- Remain off school until they feel well enough to return. Seek medical help from a GP if needed (or 111 if your surgery is closed).
- Remain off school until at least 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting. A COVID test is not required for diarrhoea and vomiting without the other symptoms above.