



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th September 2021

Right of the Fortnight

Article 17 - Children have the right to get information from the internet from a range of sources. Adults should make sure this information is not harmful.

Dear Parents,

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. Please put names in your children's coats and jumpers as then they can be easily returned.

We will endeavour to keep you fully informed of our upcoming events through the newsletter, our website: www.rosastreet.durham.school.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.

Reception Class Big Welcome – Thursday 30th September 2021 at 1.45pm

We are inviting our parents into Reception class so that they can see how their child accesses the areas and get to know a bit more about how children learn in Reception. This will be a lovely opportunity to spend time with your child in their school environment.

Reading meetings for parents (Rec, Y1 and Y2)



We are making some changes to the way in which we teach phonics in school. We will be using 'Little Wandles Letters and Sounds' to support our teaching of phonics. More information for parents can be found at: <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

We have held meetings for Reception and Year 1. If you were unable to attend then please contact the class teacher to arrange an opportunity to discuss the changes (via class email). Year 2 meeting will take place on **Tuesday 28th September at 4pm.**

Peppa Pig Open Day for New Starters 2022 – Saturday October 2nd 10.30am-12.30pm

We are inviting prospective children and their parents to our school so that they can look around our classes, meet Peppa Pig and enjoy a bouncy castle and some refreshments. If you know anyone who is looking for a school place in the next few years then please ask them to come along.



Open Afternoon 13th October at 1.30pm

We will be holding an open afternoon for new parents to come and have a look around school and see what pupils are working on in their classes. This will be for prospective parents only. We hope to hold an open afternoon for all parents in the summer.



Winmarleigh Residential Visit for Year 5 and 6 pupils

Letters have been sent out to pupils for the trip which is planned for February 2021. Please contact the school office if you have any questions. A non-refundable deposit is required to secure a place on the trip by the **30th September**.



Pantomime – Snow White in school on Wednesday 20th October

We are so pleased that M&M productions will be performing Snow White for our pupils in school. We have had them visit us in previous years and the pupils and staff thought they were fantastic.

Sports Update

'Team Up My School' continues for Y3,4 and 5 this half term. This aims to educate children about mental and emotional wellbeing.

Polite Reminder - Earrings are not to be worn for PE for healthy and safety reasons. Children should be able to remove earrings themselves for sessions or have them removed at home before school on PE days.

Reading with Children

We would welcome any help from adults who would like to come into school and read with children. Please contact the school office if this is something that you could help with.

Helping Hands



Thank you to all those that came to our Helping Hands meeting this week. Look out for ways you can volunteer or donate over the coming term. We will be helping to run the school disco at the end of this half term and are looking for volunteers. We will also be starting to put together our next school calendar and getting ready for our Christmas gift stall. If you would like to get involved, please let the office know.

Busy Bees Holiday Childcare – October Half Term (Monday 25th – Friday 29th October)



We are delighted to be able to offer half term childcare in school. Childcare will run from 8.30am until 4pm. Children will need to bring a packed lunch. Each day we will have some themed activities on offer to entertain the children. This will include: Monday - Games day, Tuesday - Sports day, Wednesday - Arts and crafts day, Thursday - Wellbeing day and Friday - Cooking / baking (AM) and a dress up party (PM). The cost of the childcare is £12.50 per day or £50 if you book 5 days in advance. If you are interested and your child already attends Busy Bees then please book and pay via the school gateway. If you are not registered with Busy Bees then please contact the school office to register and pay online. Bookings will need to be made and paid for by the **15th October 2021**.

Birthdays

Just a reminder that if your child has a birthday then they can wear their own clothes to school on that day. If their birthday falls in the school holidays or on a weekend they can choose the closest school day to wear their own clothes.

Harvest Festival

We have not yet finalised our decision on how to proceed with our harvest festival this year. Prior to Covid-19 we would have held two assemblies (am and pm) and invited parents from all classes to attend. Due to Covid-19 restrictions last year, we

created videos and shared these online. We are working on our whole school Harvest assembly with the children and we will update you when we have further news on how this will be shared.

Packed Lunch Policy Health Eating

Thank you for your continued support with this. Pupils have made a real effort to ensure that they bring a healthy packed lunch to school and school lunch pupils are challenging themselves to eat all the vegetables on their plates too. We just know our healthy bodies are going to fuel our hardworking brains!