



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 12th November 2021

Right of the Fortnight

As we take time to remember those that have fought and are currently fighting for our country, we have been looking at **Article 38** – protecting children from war and armed conflicts.

Dear Parents,

The first two weeks of this half term have flown by. Thank you all for your continued support with our Covid-19 changes (see below). Parents have made a real effort to wear masks in school and this will hopefully help to keep our community safe. 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.

Covid-19 Update

We sent a message out on the app this week to let parents know about recent advice we have received from the local authority to keep everybody safe. We are asking parents and visitors into school to wear a mask when in school (including parents evening). Teachers will also be wearing them for their meetings with yourselves. If you are exempt from wearing a face-covering, then could you please bring along with you your exemption badge/information that tells us that this is the case. If you do not want to wear a mask in school then could you please get in touch with the class teacher, via the class email, to rearrange your appointment for a telephone appointment. Thank you for your support with this. Any queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's class teacher via the class email. Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you.

Anti-Bullying Week and Odd Sock Day – Monday 15th November

Monday 15th - Friday 19th November is Anti-Bullying week. Children will be completing work in class around the topic of anti-bullying. On Monday we invite children to come into school wearing odd socks to promote anti-bullying.

Children in Need - Friday 19th November

Children in Need will take place on Friday 19th November. We invite children to come into school wearing something spotty. We ask children not to bring money into school but instead use the following link to donate to instead.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=4879>

Remembrance Sunday (14th November)

Thank you to those children who expressed an interest in representing the school and laying the wreath for Remembrance Sunday. Parents will need to stay with children at the event. It commences in the Town Hall at 9.50am. Mrs Harrison will meet children there.



Sports Update

Last week we had a lovely day working with Alex Dewar, who has won medals in the Invictus games for swimming. KS2 took part in activities centred around resilience across the day.

Unfortunately, due to the updated Covid-19 advice, Year 1 will not be able to attend the KS1 Multi skills Festival on Thursday 18th November.

Helping Hands



We are organising a bag collection of pre-loved clothes in aid of the Great North Air Ambulance Service. As well as supporting this charity, the school will also receive some money per kg of clothes donated. Bags came home with the children this week so that you can start collecting up your donations. Please bring them into school on Friday 19th and not before as we don't have any capacity to store the bags. Thanks in advance for your support!

The children have been busy drawing their self-portraits for our 2022 calendar! This will be available to buy before Christmas so look out for more information to come. If you would like to be involved in making these calendars this year, please let the office know. We could do with help with formatting the pictures, printing, binding and hole punching so there are plenty of jobs to be done and they can all be done in the comfort of your own home!"

Parent's Evening

We will be holding parent's evening week beginning: 22nd November. We will be offering face to face appointments where parents will need wear a mask as well as telephone appointments. Please contact the school office if you have not yet arranged your appointment.

Year 2 Phonics Screening Check

As our current Year 2 pupils did not complete the government phonics check in Year 1 which was due to take place in June 2021 the government has requested that this check is undertaken in the autumn term of Year 2. We plan to carry out the check in the week beginning the 29th November and we will be issuing you with some more information nearer the time.



Year 2 - Be a Farmer for the Day on Tuesday 7th December

Our Year 2 pupils are being challenged to create their own Farmer outfit to wear in school on Tuesday 7th December. 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 making their own butter to use in a healthy sandwich that they will create! We do not expect you to buy new costumes for this day and we

would much prefer home-made items that have been reused. On this day the children will be wearing their costumes all day so they can come to school wearing them.

