



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 26th November 2021

Right of the Fortnight

We will be looking at the following articles over the next two weeks: **Article 2** – The Convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status. **Article 23** – A child with a disability has the right to live a full and decent life with dignity and, as far as possible, independence and play an active part in the community.

Dear Parents,

Thank you so much for your support with all the events in school. The Poppy Appeal and Children in Need were well supported and this helped to raise money for this worthy cause. The Odd Socks day was also well supported and this helped to raise the profile of the anti-bullying work done in school. Parents' appointments have also been well attended this week which is hugely important to the successful education of our pupils. If you didn't manage to make your appointment then please contact the class teacher via their email or telephone the school office to arrange an appointment. 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- Plans for Christmas

We are still seeing high numbers of Covid-19 cases across County Durham and we would not wish for our children, staff and parents to contract Covid-19 over the Christmas period. With this in mind, we will be filming our Christmas production for parents to watch in the comfort of their own homes. Our children will still have the opportunity to make Christmas crafts in class and Christmas parties will be scheduled for the last week of term.

Christmas Party Dates:



Reception, Year 1 and Year 2: Friday 17th December

Year 3 and 4: Tuesday 14th December

Year 5: Wednesday 15th December

Year 6: Thursday 16th December

Absence Reporting

You need to notify the office of any absences before 10am. This includes alternative pick up arrangements and appointments (preferably notified in advance) for children. Please do not contact the class teacher for these messages as they are not always able to relay this information to the office. This can be done via email, telephone or in person at the office.



After school clubs

Reminder Clubs will finish week ending 3rd December.

ELF Day 3rd December

Staff have asked if they can unleash their inner elf on Friday 3rd December and dress up to help raise awareness of dementia. Children can come to school dressed as an elf or wear something red or green. Donations can be made via the link below. Please do not bring cash into school. Thank you

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/elfdaylisabarker?dm_i=5D66%2cF7PU%2c2JANLZ%2c1R0RG%2c1

Helping Hands



The children have all drawn their own portraits for our school calendar again this year. Their pictures will be displayed on the month of their birthday and they have done a fabulous job! Calendars are now available to pre-order and pay for on the school gateway app. Only £3.50 each! Payments need to be made by Friday 10th December so that you can receive your calendar before the end of term (17th December).

All profits go to treats and resources for the children in school. Calendars will be delivered to your children in class in time for Christmas. A preview of the month October can be seen below. <https://www.rosastreetprimary.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/October-pdf.pdf>

Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner – Friday 10th December



If your child usually has a packed lunch and would like to have a Christmas Dinner on Friday 10th December please complete the form on the app and send in a payment of £2.15 (in a named and sealed envelope) by Monday 29th November.

Half term holiday clubs

Childcare will run in the half term holidays across the year. There will be holiday childcare from 8.30am until 4pm (excluding bank holidays) during February, May and October half term. This is available to book and pay for online. Our current prices are £12.50 per child per day or £50 for a full week if it is booked and



paid for in advance. Pupils will need to bring a packed lunch. Please don't hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions regarding this.



Year 6 World War 2 day

As part of our History topic, Year 6 will be having a World War 2 day in school on 7th December. Our plan is to give the children an authentic day – as if they were actually living through World War 2. We would like the children to use their ration books and plan and deliver a meal that would typically be eaten by families during the war. The children will need to plan their menus, cost ingredients and then go shopping to collect everything they need. Once the children have the ingredients they need, they will work together to create a delicious two-course meal.



We would love it if the children could come to school dressed in 'typical' clothing of the era. Please don't go to any expense – home-made is great! We will provide each child with their very own gas mask and they will need to keep this with them

throughout the day – you just never know when the air raid siren will go off! This should be a great day, one in which the children will remember for a long time.

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 have sent a letter out this week with further information. This letter is available on our school website.



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.

