



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 25th March 2022

Right of the Fortnight

Over the next two weeks we will be exploring the following right: **Article 18** - Parents have responsibility for bringing up their child and should always consider what is best for the child. Governments must support parents by creating support services for children and giving parents the help they need to raise their children.

Dear Parents,

There has been lots going on in school to keep us all busy. It has been lovely that classes have been able to get out on trips, visits and residential. It was wonderful to welcome so many Reception class parents into school for our stay and play session last Friday. Parent appointments have been well attended and having that mix of in person and telephone appointments gives everyone the flexibility they need to attend. Thank you all for your support with 'Crazy Hair Day' there were some amazing hairstyles on the go. 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 - Changes regarding self-isolation

At the end of February the Department of Education changed its guidance following the government announcement. The guidance makes it clear that, while it is no longer a requirement for people with Covid-19 to self-isolate, anyone with the 3 main symptoms of Covid-19 or a positive test result, public are advised to stay at home and avoid contact with others.

You can do a rapid lateral flow test from 5 days after your symptoms started (or the day you had the test if you do not have symptoms) and another the next day. If both tests are negative and you do not have a high temperature, you're less likely to pass COVID-19 to others and you can go back to your normal routine. If your test result is positive on day 5, you can carry on doing rapid lateral flow tests every day until you get 2 negative test results in a row.

Children who live with, or who are a close contact of, someone with Covid-19 should continue to attend school as normal.

Save the date: Year 1 on Monday 28th March or Thursday 31st March - 2.30 - 3.00pm

We will be inviting parents into school to spend some time with their child in their class. Please complete the form on the app.



Easter Egg Competition

Trust Easter Egg Competition



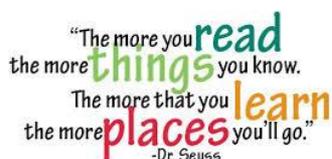
Rosa Street and Cleves Cross will be holding a Trust Easter egg decorating competition. Children are to design and decorate a boiled egg. Competition entries need to be handed into school for Wednesday 6th April. A 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winner will be picked and announced in the school achievement assembly on Friday 8th April.

Helping Hands

The stage is finished and the children are really enjoying the chance to perform on it. Thank you for your support in making this possible for the children. Each class will be performing some poetry on the stage for their parents at our reading event on the 8th April as an 'official opening. Don't forget to sort out your books and bring in your donations of primary school aged books on 1st April for our book stall. Ask your friends if they have any to donate too! We will be running a refreshments stall on the 8th April and would like to serve cake! If you are good at baking and would like to bake something to be sold to raise money for Helping Hands, please let the office know. We also need some volunteers to serve drinks and refreshments during the afternoon. This will be arranged so that we can all watch our own children perform. Please let the office know if you can help. Thank you!



Reading Party Event – Friday 8th April



As part of the celebrations for the 25th World Book Day we will be hosting a reading party afternoon for parents and children on **Friday 8th April** from 1:30pm. We would like to hold a book sale as part of this event. We are asking for donations of any children's books in good condition that we can sell to raise money for our school library. Any donated books that are unsold will then be donated to

the school library or charity. Please bring any donated books into school **from 1st April**, as we are unable to store them before this date. Local storyteller, Christine Castling will visit each class for a special story time and parents are welcome to join us too. Below is an outline of timings for the event. There will be activities in classrooms across the afternoon.

	Storyteller in the classroom	Poetry Performance on outdoor stage
Rec	1:30	1:50
Y1	1:45	2:05
Y2	2pm	2:20
Y3	2:15	2:35
Y4	2:30	2:50
Y5	2:45	1:40
Y6	3pm	1:30

Year 6 Leaver's hoodies

Helping Hands are in the process of ordering the hoodies for our year 6 class. Hopefully they will be with us soon as the children can't wait to wear them! Thank you to everyone for your support





Young Carers Action Day

This year we marked Young Carers action day in school by campaigning for the rights of Young Carers and thinking about the impact that COVID-19 and the resulting lockdown has had on Young Carers. We're keen to ensure that we provide support for our Young Carers in school but are aware that we may not always be aware of who these children are. If you believe your child may be a Young Carer (a child who has additional caring responsibilities for a parent/sibling/grandparent at home) then please speak to Mrs Gibbons or e-mail y5rosa@cclt.education.

Gran Canaria Meeting for Parents- Wednesday 6th April

We will be holding an information evening for parents/carers of children who are going to Gran Canaria on **Wednesday 6th April at 4:30pm**. The event will be held in school, however we will also be streaming the meeting on Zoom so that parents who can't attend in person can attend online. Detail of this have been sent out on the school app. If you are unable to attend, information packs will be sent home with the children. These will contain details of flights, accommodation, packing lists and an itinerary for the trip as well as other useful information.



Sports Update

This half term we are looking forward to the following events:
6th April – Alternative Sports Festival – KS2 children to take part in a selection of new sports that they might never have tried before.

School Meals Increase – Taylor Shaw

School meals are increasing from the 4th April 2022. The cost of a school meal will be £2.20 per day which will be £11.00 per week. The Summer Menu will be starting after May half term. We are delighted to announce that from September Cleves Cross Learning Trust will be managing the kitchens in our schools. This will give us greater flexibility in what we can offer our children. A new menu will be sent via the app nearer the time.

Parent Questionnaire

Please take the time to complete a questionnaire which we have sent out via the school app. We have recently reviewed our curriculum newsletters and we would like to know what you think of them.

Rollercoaster Parent Support

Rollercoaster is a parent-led, professionally supported service, passionate about offering support and promoting the role of families in children and young people's mental health. They are a needs-led, responsive, and creative service for families and professionals, who are supporting young people through mental health. Please give 07415 380 040 a call to support children with mental health issues.



Careers Day

We're having a 'Careers Day' on **Friday 17th June** for visitors to come into school to share some information or a demonstration about their career or place of work. We want to make this careers day bigger and better than last time! It will be a full day focused around careers where visitors are timetabled to go into classes to speak to our pupils to broaden their horizons about potential career pathways. If you are interested in helping us, please contact: rosastreet@durhamlearning.net



Year 2 Castle Trip



As part of our English work on 'Castles' Year 2 will be visiting Auckland Castle in Bishop Auckland on **Thursday 31st March**. We will have a tour of the castle as well as taking part in two workshops focussing on who has lived in the castle, what the castle has been used for in the past and the different parts of a castle. We will be leaving by minibus at 9:30 am and will return in time for the end of the school day. Children will need to wear full school uniform. As some of the castle is outdoors a warm coat will be required.