



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022

## Right of the Fortnight

Over the next two weeks we will be exploring the following right: **Article 6:** Every child has the right to life. Governments must do all they can to ensure that children survive and develop to their full potential.

### Dear Parents,

I hope that we can enjoy a sunny summer term together. We have lots of events planned and it was lovely to welcome our Year 4 parents into school for our Year 4 Class assembly on Thursday. Thank you for all your contributions for our 'Outdoor Play and Learning' appeal- we are so grateful. Please keep sending things in as and when you find them.

We will endeavour to keep you fully informed of our upcoming events through the newsletter, our website: [www.rosastreet.durham.school.uk](http://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.

### Nursery Opening September 2022



We are delighted to confirm that our new purpose built Nursery for 2 and 3 year olds will be open from September 2022. Building will commence in the coming weeks so there will be some changes to how you access the school site for dropping off and collecting children. We will keep you informed of that as things progress. We are in the process of making contact with everyone who has expressed interest to send out the application forms and brochure so that we can get our plans in place.

### KS2 SAT week –Week beg: Monday 9th May – Thursday 12th May

This will be a busy week in school supporting Year 6 pupils with their Statutory Tests. There will be an 8am Y6 Breakfast Club (Mon – Thurs) which will have a variety of items to prepare children for their busy day. The children have worked really hard all year and we are already so proud of them. We wish them every success. We welcome your support in ensuring pupils are in school on time each day and ensuring that children are well rested and prepared (early nights and calm mornings – UNCRC article 28). We are also preparing pupils in the rest of the school for their end of year tests and assessing pupils in Year 2 against the KS1 assessment framework.



## Open Afternoon: New and Existing Parents – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 1.30pm

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Welcome

We are looking forward to welcoming our new starters in September and we are planning an open afternoon so that parents and children have an opportunity to experience some of the activities on offer. We are inviting our existing parents to come and join in with some activities in the classes. There will be representatives from our school kitchen with samples of food and the uniform supplier will also be available with samples of our uniform. This was always a popular and well attended event prior to Covid-19 as pupils love to work with their parents in the classroom so we hope to see you there.

## Can you help us? Parent Governor Vacancy

Are you interested in becoming a school governor? We have a vacancy for a parent governor. School Governors make a positive contribution to children's education by offering supportive challenge to help raise standards and monitor resources effectively. School Governors work as a team and come from a wide variety of backgrounds to add value to school life by offering their skills, expertise and time. Rosa Street Primary School is committed to raising educational standards and we are looking for dedicated individuals who want to make a difference in the lives of children and are willing to share their experience in an educational environment.

**Preferable skills and competencies:** We are looking for dedicated individuals who can offer their knowledge and expertise in one or more of these areas; finance, human resources, health and safety, communications or managing premises. If you have a passion for improving the life chances of children and can offer supportive challenge to the leadership of our school to help us to fulfil our vision, please complete and return a letter of interest, explaining why you would like to fulfil the role of Parent Governor. Letters of interest need to be emailed to [rosastreet@durhamlearning.net](mailto:rosastreet@durhamlearning.net) by the closing date of **13<sup>th</sup> May at 12pm**. A discussion with the Head teacher and Chair of Governors would be offered to any interested parent. Governors do not need any formal qualifications but must be aged 18 years and over. **Closing date for nominations is 12pm on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022.**

## Half term holiday clubs

There will be holiday childcare from 8.30am until 4pm (excluding bank holidays) during May half term. This is available to book and pay for online. Our current prices are £12.50 per child per day or £30 for the 3 days 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.



## Helping Hands

Thank you to those that have donated books for our bookstall and attended our event at the end of last half term. We raised a total of £300.45!



We will be having a Helping Hands meeting for the summer term soon. We would love some new members. If you would be interested in contributing ideas, volunteering by preparing things at home or volunteering in school please do leave your contact details with the office and we will be in touch.

## Sports Update

Next term we have the following sports events to look forward to:

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 5/6 Primary athletics event (for children not in Gran Canaria)

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May** – KS1 skipping morning

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 2 will be attending the KS1 alternative sports festival



## Careers Day

We're having a 'Careers Day' on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:rosastreet@durhamlearning.net)

## Class Assembly Dates and Times

All assemblies take place at **9.15** which means you can come straight into school when you drop your child off. There are usually refreshments available while you wait.

R Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May

Y1 Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July

Y2 Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June

Y3 Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

Y5 Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June (**2:45pm start**)

Y6 Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July Rosa's Got Talent

## Jubilee Buffet

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May we will be having a buffet at lunchtime to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. Any children currently on packed lunch who wish to join us may do so, a form will be available for you to complete on the app. The cost is £2.20 and needs to be paid to the office by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May. This must be sent in a named envelope.



## School Menu Update

Apologies we will be remaining on the current menu until Autumn half term due to a change in contracts/stock control with Taylor Shaw. We will keep you updated as and when things change.

## OPAL Challenge

Thank you for all your wonderful donations. We are busy sorting through all donations and adding them into our outdoor area!

## Charlie Waller Charity



Being a parent can be a joy. It should be a joy. And it often is. But when your child is suffering, parenthood can be a tough, lonely and frightening place. And when the cause of that suffering is hard to understand, as is so often the case with mental health, it becomes more difficult still. Charlie Waller's experts lead rapidly expanding Parent and Carer Programmes that parents could become involved in. Please visit [www.cwmt.org.uk](http://www.cwmt.org.uk) for more information.



### **Mental Health Awareness Week 9th-15th May**

To raise awareness of mental health, we will be **wearing green** on **Thursday 12th May** each donating £1 to the Mental Health Foundation. The link will be sent out on the app for online donations. Parents are also invited into school from **2:45pm onwards** to take part in their child's classroom activities linked to mental health.

### **Class Photographs**

Pupils will be getting a class photograph taken on **Wednesday 18th May**.

### **Year 1 Art Gallery**

We would like to invite Year 1 parents in to see our artwork on **Thursday 26th May at 2.30pm**. We have been working on printing in the style of Andy Warhol and we are proud to show off our work.



### **Gran Canaria Reminder:**



Children who wish to take spending money to Gran Canaria (maximum £50) need to bring this into school by **noon on Friday 13th May**. This is to allow time to get the currency converted. Please note school will not be able to change spending money after this date. Passports and GHIC cards need to be brought into school by **Wednesday 18th May 2022**. If your child requires medication and you have not yet returned their medication form then please do so as soon as possible. If you have any questions regarding the trip please contact Mrs Gibbons or the school office.