



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 21st October 2022

Right of the Fortnight

Over the next two weeks we will be exploring the following right: **Article 16 – Right to Privacy**. “Every child has the right to privacy. The law should protect the child’s private, family and home life”.

Dear Parents,

It has been a very busy half term and the children have benefited from a range of experiences. They thoroughly enjoyed the pantomime, Harvest Festival and Halloween Disco. Thank you for your support with all our events it is much appreciated. A big thank you to ‘Helping Hands’ for their help with the school disco as it is much appreciated. 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.

Please don’t forget that school is closed on Monday 31st October for training. School will re-open on Tuesday 1st November.

Staffing Update

Our Caretaker Mr. Newton is leaving us for fresh challenges. We would like to thank him for his hard work and dedication during his time with us. We wish him every success and he will be missed.

Sports Update



This half term we have the following sports events to look forward to:

Thursday 3rd November – KS2 wellness afternoon at Spennymoor Leisure Centre

Monday 7th and 14th November – Year 6 Sports leadership training

Thursday 10th, 17th, 24th November and 1st December – Year 5/6 netball participation league at Spennymoor Leisure Centre

Thursday 17th November – KS1 multi skills morning at Spennymoor Leisure Centre

Parents’ Evening – Week commencing 7th November

We will be holding parent’s evening week beginning: 7th November. We will be offering face to face appointments as well as telephone appointments. There will be a form going out on the app please complete to indicate your preference and appointments will be confirmed during the first week back to school after half term.



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.

Rockstar Day

On **Friday 4th November**, all children are encouraged to dress as a 'Rockstar' for the day to re-launch our 'Times table Rockstars' resource. All children will be engaging in activities linked to counting, multiplying and dividing during the course of the day. We will also be having some live online battles with the children from our partner school, Cleves Cross Primary.



Times Tables Rockstars Competition

We are still continuing to have a competition with the pupils from Cleve Cross until **1st November** by playing on 'Times Tables Rockstars' as much you can. All pupils from Years 2 to 6 have login credentials to access the resource online.

Scholastics Book Fair – w/c 7th November



The Scholastics book fair will be open each day after school. It is a fantastic opportunity to stock up on stocking fillers and presents for Christmas. More information will be shared soon on the app detailing how to view the catalogue in the days before the book fair and how to make payments.

Friday 18th November – KS2 Author Visit

KS2 will spend a morning working with local author Dan Smith. Dan is the author of *My Friend the Enemy*, *My Brother's Secret*, *Big Game*, *Boy X*, *Below Zero* and *She Wolf*. Nisha's War is his latest children's book. There will be a chance to buy his books and have the book signed. More details to follow.

Save the date Children in Need on Friday 18th November – Wear something spotty

Nursery News



The first week back after half term we will be having lots of fun with Halloween and Bonfire Night activities all week. If your children would like to come in dressed in a Halloween costume that week, they are very welcome to!

Nursery will be joining in with Children in Need so wear something spotty on Friday 18th November.

We will be holding Stay and Play sessions for parents and carers to come in and join in with some Christmas crafts. You can book in on the Parent App. The sessions will be **Monday 5th December and Friday 9th December 9.30 - 11am or 1.30 - 3pm**. We look forward to seeing you there!

Free After-School Clubs – 3.15 – 4.15pm - Clubs will start week beginning **7th November 2022** and continue until the week ending 2nd December. We are delighted to be able to offer a range of after school clubs this half term to pupils as teachers and teaching assistants have offered their time to enrich the curriculum. The clubs we will be offering are for pupils from Reception to Year 6 this half term. The clubs on offer are:

Science Club – Tuesday after school with Miss Simpson
Book Club – Wednesday after school with Miss Davison
Crafts Club – Wednesday after school with Miss Bennett
Eco Club – Wednesday after school with Mrs Tugwell
Family Learning Cooking Club – Thursday after school with Mrs Wilson
Choir – Friday lunchtime with Miss Darke

Places will need to be limited and will be given on a first come, first served basis but if you are unsuccessful in gaining a place this half term, there will be further opportunities with different clubs available, next half term. The clubs will be free of charge. We will try to ensure fair access for all children over the school year. Please complete the form on the app (this can be found on the consent forms) if you would like your child to attend.

Save the date - Year 1 Stay and Play 2pm Friday 18th November

Parent Questionnaire

We'd appreciate it if you could take the time to complete this term's parent questionnaire. We value your feedback in order to make Rosa Street a better place for our pupils, staff and families. The link is available through the school app.