



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024

## Right of the Fortnight

Over the next two weeks we will be exploring the following right:

**Article 29: Aims of Education. Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures and the environment.**

### Dear Parents,

Thank you to all the parents who were able to join us for our 'E-Safety Assembly'. The children enjoyed explaining their knowledge to you all. The Valentines Disco was also a success and a huge thank you to the parent helpers and 'Helping Hands' for their support with this event. The children have enjoyed their 'Rights Respecting Celebration' event this afternoon and we are delighted with another gold award. 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.

**School closes today for February half term and will reopen on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February.**

### Staffing Update

We are delighted to welcome our new Inclusion Support Advisor to our school after February Half Term. Claire Peat will be joining our team and will be available to support pupils and families with attendance, behaviour and multi-agency support. Claire will be joining myself or senior leaders on the gate on a morning so that parents can get the chance to meet her.

### Dropping off on Zig Zag Lines



Please can I remind all parents that they cannot drop children off on the zig zag lines outside of the school gates. There is a sign which clearly states there is no stopping between the hours of 8am and 6pm. If this problem persists then registrations will be taken and passed on to the Police.

This is for the safety of all our pupils and families so I hope I can count on your continued support.

### Parents Evening- Week Beginning 11<sup>th</sup> March

Please ensure you arrange a convenient time to speak to your child's teacher about their progress as it is so important to find out how their learning is progressing. You can choose either an afternoon or evening appointment on the school app. Teachers will be able to confirm a time once they know which session would be best.



## Healthy Eating – Packed Lunches and School Meals

We all want our children to have a nutritious, healthy diet as this will give our children the best chance for good health as adults.

Unfortunately, packed lunches that are being brought into school are not in line with the packed lunch policy and this needs to be improved as the academy adheres to the 'School Food Standards' guidance and regular meals taken in school (whether school lunches or packed lunches) must also follow this guidance. We are launching a new initiative with pupils to educate them and encourage them to eat a healthy lunch. More information can be found by following the link below. You will also find information about healthy alternatives to ensure your child brings a healthy packed lunch to school each day.



## Healthy Snacks

Our children in Rec, Year 1 and Year 2 receive a piece of fruit for snack each day as part of the 'Fruit for Schools' initiative. Children in all classes can choose to bring a piece of fruit in for playtime as a healthy snack. Children are not allowed to have crisps, biscuits or sweets at playtime.

## World Book Day on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March

This year we will be celebrating World Book Day on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March**. Children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character or in their pyjamas ready for a cosy story time in class.



## Extreme Reading Competition – we can't wait to see your photos!

Children are invited to take part in our 'Extreme Read Competition.' All children need to do to take part is have their **photo taken whilst reading in an unusual location**. This could be at a hobby, in the house or in the outdoors. There will be prizes for each class and photos will be displayed in our new 'Reading Retreat' area in school. Please send entries to **Miss Davison's class email** [y1rosa@tlp.org.uk](mailto:y1rosa@tlp.org.uk) and these must be received by **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March**.



## Comic Relief – Red Nose Day Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Crazy Hair Day

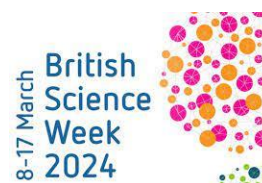
**'Do something funny for money'**.

We are asking children to come into school with crazy hair on this day. Children can give a donation to: [https://donation.comicrelief.com/?cartId=rnd24-pavin&gl=1\\*t26zld\\*gcl\\_au\\*NTg4NTIxMjY2LjE3MDc5OTgyMjc](https://donation.comicrelief.com/?cartId=rnd24-pavin&gl=1*t26zld*gcl_au*NTg4NTIxMjY2LjE3MDc5OTgyMjc).

We have a very limited amount of red noses for sale in the school office. These will be available after half term.

## Science Week

This year we will be celebrating Science Week between the 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> March. Each class will complete a science experiment. Keep an eye on our Facebook and Twitter page to see what we get up to.



## Gran Canaria



All parents of children who have been offered a place on the Gran Canaria residential have been notified today via the app. If your child has been offered a place we ask that you confirm acceptance by **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024**. If we have been unable to offer your child a place they will have automatically been placed on our reserve list and we will review places after Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February.

## SEND Parent Workshop

Please see the attached flyer regarding the Parenting Together workshop that the Family Hubs are running. If you would be interested in a place at the workshop then please contact Family Hubs directly using the contact information on the flyer.

**Family Hubs**

**Parenting Together**

NEW 2.5 hour friendly and informal workshop

Helping parents and/or friends and family who help bring up your child to:

- Think about how you deal with disagreements in relationships
- Manage family stress and improve communication
- Enjoy parenting together

**To find out more or to book your place call/text/whatsapp 07917 474 856 or email EPEC@durham.gov.uk**

**Workshop dates**

Monday 4 March, 6-8.30pm  
Wednesday 6 March, 9.30-12noon  
Monday 18 March, 6-8.30pm  
Tuesday 19 March 12-2.30pm

Venue TBC

Durham City Council NHS



### **SEND Coffee Morning**

We will be holding our termly SEND coffee morning for parents of pupils with SEND on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 9:00am. We are fortunate enough to have **Claire Hopkins (Educational Psychologist)** and **Katie Brown (School Early Help Advisor)** attending to answer any queries. Claire will also be providing a short information session about Zones of Regulation and how this approach can be used to support children at home as well as in school. There will be coffee and cake and time for a catch up with other parents as well. If you'd like more information please speak to Mrs Gibbons or a member of the office staff.

### **Breakfast Club Helpers**

As we have a very popular Breakfast Club, we are looking for parents and carers who could help out with Breakfast Club from 8 –8:45 on a regular basis. This would include making toast, serving the children and general tidying of the hall at the end. Please see the office if you think you have the time to spare to help us.

### **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.

### **Helping Hands - Thank You!**

A huge thank you to the parents who were able to help out with the school disco. We really appreciate your support. If anyone would like to join 'Helping Hands' then please contact the school office or send a message to the 'Helping Hands of Rosa Street' facebook page.

### **Sports Update**



Upcoming sports events: **Thursday 30<sup>h</sup> April** – Year 4 OAA at Hardwick Park  
**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May** – Year 1 sports festival at Whitworth Park

### **PE Days**

Please note the updated PE days for Spring term are:

**Nursery AM** – Tuesday AM and PM (Children do not need to get changed)

**Reception** – Wednesday AM

**Year 1** - Wednesday

**Year 2** - Thursday

**Year 3** – Tuesday

**Year 4** – Friday

**Year 5** – Wednesday (Swimming)

**Year 6** – Monday

### **Year 3 Kings Way Center Residential Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March**

We will be going on a residential trip for two days and one night. **The £40 deposit for the trip was due 16<sup>th</sup> February.** If this has not been paid, please contact the school office. **The second payment of £47.50 is due Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February.**

### **Year 3 Kingsway Meeting – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February at 5pm**

There will be a meeting for parents whose children are coming on the Year 3 residential to Kingsway. This will take place in school on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February at 5pm.

### **Year 4 Kings Way Center Residential Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

We will be going on a residential trip for three days and two nights. The next instalment is due 1<sup>st</sup> March.

### **Year 3 and 5 Beamish Trip 28<sup>th</sup> February**

Year 3 and 5 will be going to Beamish to link to our topics on the local area, the work of Normal Cornish and Street Child. Payment of £13.10 for the trip is due by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

### **Reception Hardwick Trip 22<sup>nd</sup> March**

Reception class will be going to Hardwick to link to our topics on springtime. Payment of £13.50 for the trip is due by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March.

**If financial support is required for any of our visits please contact the school office prior to the visit.**

**Free After-School Clubs – 3.15 – 4.15pm (Rec – Y6)** - Clubs will start week beginning **4<sup>th</sup> March 2024** and continue until the half term holidays. 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 Rec to Year 6 this half term. The clubs on offer are:

**Mindfulness Lunchtime Club** with Mrs Gilbert on a **Monday Lunchtime**

**Yoga Club** with Miss Bennett **after school on a Monday**

**TT Rockstars Club** with Mr Broadhurst on a **Wednesday Lunchtime**

**Computing Club** with Miss Davison **after school on a Wednesday**

**Cookery Club** with Miss Tugwell **after school on a Thursday**

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 let the school office know if you would like your child to attend.

### **Key Dates for the Diary:**

#### **Easter Craft Afternoons**

We will be inviting parents in to work with their child on some Easter Crafts. Parents can bring any additional resources they like and will need to bring an egg if they want to decorate one. The dates are included with each class below:

#### **Nursery**

Nursery Easter Crafts Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am - 11.00am

Nursery Easter Crafts Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1.30pm -3.00pm

Year 5 and 6 Easter Crafts – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm

#### **Reception**

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024 – All day - Hardwick Trip

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Morning – Church visit

Reception Easter Crafts - Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm

#### **Year 1**



Year 1 and Year 2 Easter Crafts – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm

**Year 2**

Year 1 and Year 2 Easter Crafts – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm

**Year 3**

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Year 3 and 5 Beamish trip

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February – Year 3 Kingswood parents meeting: 5pm

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Year 3 Kingsway Centre residential

Year 3 and Year 4 Easter Crafts – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm

**Year 4**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Morning

22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> April Kings Way Centre residential

Year 3 and Year 4 Easter Crafts – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm

**Year 5**

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Year 3 and 5 Beamish trip

Year 5 and 6 Easter Crafts – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm

**Year 6**

Year 5 and 6 Easter Crafts – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm