



Rosa Street Primary School Newsletter
Friday 20th April 2018
Right of the Fortnight



Article 24: Every child has the right to the best possible health and nutritious food.

Dear Parents,

Welcome back, it's difficult to believe summer term is here already. I hope that you have had an enjoyable Easter break despite the weather over the Easter weekend. We are looking forward to another busy half term with lots of exciting things happening in school. We would like to thank you for supporting us with the Easter craft events and the 5 Ways to Wellbeing event on the last day, the events were well attended and enjoyed by all. We will endeavour to keep you fully informed of our upcoming events through the newsletter and our website: www.rosastreet.durham.school.uk (where all newsletters are uploaded) and on twitter (@rosastreet4). Download our app to keep up to date with all school messages – for further details see our website. **Reminder – School will be closed for training on Monday 4th June**

Staffing Update

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Whisker to Year 4 this term. She has settled in very quickly and the pupils are enjoying working with her.

Save the Date - Celebration Assemblies at 9.30am

Reception Thursday 26th April at 9.30am which is based on their topic of 'Inventions'.

Year 3 Thursday 24th May at 9.30am which is based on their topic of 'Amazing Egyptians'.

Helping Hands Update - Revisit Rosa: Wednesday 25th April 5.30pm -7.00pm

Revisit Rosa is happening next Wednesday evening, 25th April, from 5.30-7pm. It is an opportunity to celebrate the history of the school with our current pupils and parents and with people that used to attend the school. Tickets are £1 per adult and children are free. Tickets can be purchased from the school office now or on the night. There will be drinks and cakes served, an old fashioned sweet shop, tours of the school, the chance to see your children's displays about school life in their classrooms, lots of old photos showing how the school has changed over the years and a raffle. Children will be encouraged to attend the event and those in the singing group will be giving a short performance at the start of the evening. Please do come along!



We are also making plans for our summer fair and are asking for your support. We are holding a **non-uniform day on Friday 4th May** and in return for this we are asking for donations for our Wine or Water stall. Children can bring either a bottle of wine or a bottle of water. We will have another **non-uniform day on Friday 25th May** and we are asking for children to bring a donation for the school fayre (items for the raffle, bottle stall and tombola etc.). If you think you could offer some time to help in school then please let the school office know or contact Helping Hands via facebook at 'Helping Hands of Rosa Street'. Please follow them on Facebook to keep up to date with extra-curricular events.



Summer Fair Thursday 14th June 2018: 3.30pm – 6pm

Thank you to all those parents who voted on the app about summer fair timings. An overwhelming majority voted for a 3.30pm start to our summer fair. We are going to trial this change to the start time this year and see if it increases the amount of people who can attend. Further details about the summer fair will follow.

Early Bird Breakfast Club from 7.30am – 8.50am

A reminder that there is an early breakfast club in school. Pupils can come into school from 7.30am. This additional club will be run by a paid member of staff so we need to



charge £3 per pupil per day. Lots of parents have expressed interest in childcare from 7.30am so we hope that it will be well used.



Sports Update:

2nd May – Y2 Outdoor Adventure Activities Morning. Year 2 children will be going to Hardwick Park for a morning of outdoor skills. This event is for children only.

9th May – Y4 Outdoor Adventure Activities Morning. Year 4 children will be going to Hardwick Park for a morning of outdoor skills. This event is for children only.

OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) Update

We have been enjoying the warmer weather this week and getting outside to weed and begin planting. If you think you can help us with growing/planting etc. then please contact the school office, we would be glad of some help. We are hoping to develop an outdoor performance area and some outdoor mini libraries during this term so we will keep you updated with our developments.



Open Afternoon: New and Existing Parents - Wednesday 23rd May at 1.30pm

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 too (as always) to come and join in with some activities in the classes. There will be representatives from Taylor Shaw with samples of food and the uniform supplier will also be available with samples of our uniform. This is always a popular and well attended event as pupils love to work with their parents in the classroom so we hope to see you there.



School Nutrition Action Group Update (SNAG)

Our latest SNAG meeting took place on Tuesday to discuss food in school. We would like to thank the new members that joined our group for their support and feedback. It is very useful to know how we can improve food in school and ensure that pupils receive balanced and nutritious meals that they enjoy. The children really enjoyed having an adult in school to eat with them for Mother's Day and we certainly had some positive feedback – especially from those who came to the Thursday lunch. We know that some parents, especially from the Friday lunch, felt the quality of the food wasn't as good as it could be. We were really disappointed with this and are working closely with 'Taylor Shaw' our food contractor to improve this. I can certainly assure you that the 'Friday experience' is not typical of our lunch quality. It is something that we would like to continue to do but we are always looking for ways to improve. We will be inviting parents/carers into school for 'Father's Day Lunch' and we hope that it is enjoyed by all. Please do contact us with any feedback as we are always looking for ways to improve our school.

Father's Day Lunch – 11.30am 13th and 14th June (we can add additional dates if we need to)

Can you join us? We would like to invite all 'fathers' (grandads and carers also welcome) out there to join us here at school to share a special Father's Day lunch with your child/children. We aim to do this as close to Father's Day (17th June) as we can, but before we finalise the day we would need to know how many fathers will be joining us. If you would like to come along, please complete the form on the app (this can be found in the consent form section) and we will then be able to finalise the time and days. The cost will be £2.35 per adult We are aiming for Key Stage 1 fathers to join us on Wednesday 13th June and Key Stage 2 on Thursday 14th June. Fathers with children in both Key Stages can join us on either day depending on numbers. If we do have large numbers we may even have to spread across more days!

