



Rosa Street Primary School Newsletter

Friday 23rd September 2016

Dear Parents,

We are busy as always this half term. The weather is getting colder so please ensure that pupils are appropriately dressed for school and have a coat with them. Our celebration assembly was well received yesterday and Leigh Lockey (Chair of Governors) thoroughly enjoyed the occasion to mark her 20 years of governance, I would like to say a big thank you to staff, governors and parents who were so generous. Newsletters are available on our website, follow us on twitter @rosastreet4



Winmarleigh Weekend Residential Trip

Our Year 5 and 6 pupils set off for Winmarleigh this morning and they all looked very excited. We know they will have a fantastic time.

Big Welcome – Tuesday 27th September at 1.45pm – Reception pupils

We are inviting the parents of reception pupils to a 'Big Welcome' event in the Reception classroom on Tuesday. There will be juice, tea and cakes and an opportunity for your child to show you around the setting.

Roald Dahl – Spennymoor Event - Friday 14th October 12:30pm

Success have organised an interschool community event in Spennymoor to celebrate 100 years of Roald Dahl. Our whole school will be parading through Spennymoor with stilt walkers and other Roald Dahl themed entertainment.



We have been partnered with 'House of Hair' in Spennymoor and our older pupils will be decorating the shop window and planning a stall that will sell some novelty items. Our children are asked to dress up for this event in Road Dahl themed costumes but the school doesn't want to put anyone to additional expense. We have put together some dressing up ideas that shouldn't cost any money, just the creative re-use of items that you might have at home:

Matilda – Blue dress, headband and pile of books

The Twits – Scruffy clothes, messy hair, long warty nose for Mrs Twit or beard for Mr Twit

James and the Giant Peach – Miss Spider – black leggings and top, tights stuffed with newspaper to create extra legs, ladybird – red clothes with black spots

BFG – Baggy shirt with large ears on a headband, waistcoat and trousers, Sophie – white or pink dress and nighty or glasses

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory – Charlie Bucket – Jeans and a jumper with a golden ticket Grandpa– check shirt, flat cap, woolly jumper, cardigan, walking stick, pyjamas and nightcap

The Witches – A witch – black clothes, wool hair, black gloves

Fantastic Mr Fox – Orange and brown clothes, tail made from tights stuffed with newspaper of fur attached to waist, jacket, two ears made from card and attached to a head band. 3 farmers – Jeans and a check shirt possibly a flat cap

We will need some parents to volunteer to walk with us so if you're available please let your class teacher know.

Dropping pupils off on yellow lines



There are still some parents dropping children off outside the school on the yellow lines which is very dangerous for our pupils crossing the road. We have been working closely with the police in order to ensure pupil's safety and will pass on any registration plates of those continuing to do this, which will result in a fine.



Rights Respecting Schools Update Right of the Fortnight

Article 5: Governments must respect the rights and responsibilities of parents and carers to provide guidance and direction as their child grows up, so that they enjoy their rights.

Children have been asked to participate in the Waste Less Live More challenge. Please try to get the children's forms back on **Friday 30th September**. The children are not required to complete all of the challenges.

Parent Questionnaire

Many thanks to those of you that responded to the parent questionnaire, the feedback is attached to this newsletter. We are pleased to announce that the winner of the £25 ASDA voucher is Mrs Kelly Rothery so congratulations to her and please collect your voucher from the school office.



Halloween School Dinner Menu Friday 21st October

Taylor Shaw are planning a novelty school lunch for Halloween (menu will be available on the school website), if your child does not normally have a school meal but would like to take part in this special event then please inform the office and pay the school lunch price of £2 before Friday 7th October. Any child who normally has a school dinner will automatically be given this menu.

Books from Home

We are encouraging lots of reading in school and as part of this we are trying to make our class reading corners very inviting. We would like to include a range of reading material such as children's magazines and books related to their interests. If you have any good quality reading material suitable for primary age pupils that you no longer require, please drop them into the school office.

Rosa Street Choir – Sunday 2nd October

The choir will be singing at St Paul's Church at the Harvest Festival on Sunday 2nd October. The service begins at 10:30am and all parents and carers are welcome to join us. Choir members should wear school uniform and meet at the church at 10:15am.



Harvest Festival – Wednesday 19th October 9.30am KS1 and 2.00pm KS2

We would like to invite parents to our Harvest celebration 'Harvest Song' (pupils in Reception and KS1 at 9.30am and pupils in KS2 at 2.00pm), the children will perform and there will be the opportunity for some refreshments afterwards. The 2 performances will include all pupils and they will be exactly the same so that you only need to attend one performance and then hopefully everyone will get a chance to see it. To try to ensure enough room in the hall, we are going to use a ticket system (maximum of 2 per family). More information regarding tickets will follow.

Sports Update

We have lots of activities planned across the year both in school and organised with the Sedgefield Sports Partnership.

30th September – School Sports Organising Crew Training. 4 of our older children will be trained in the crew and will help to organise events and playtime games and write sport reports.

4th October – A selection of Year 1 pupils will be attending the Pink Gym for a gymnastics carousel of activities. A letter will be sent home with more information soon. This event is for children only.

14th October – All Year 6 children will attend the Multi Skills Festival at Whitworth Park. This event is for children only.