



Rosa Street Primary School Newsletter

Friday 22nd September 2017

Right of the Fortnight



Article 1: Everyone under the age of 18 has these rights.

Dear Parents,

A big thank you to the parents who joined our Reception pupils for their 'Big Welcome' this afternoon. A lovely time was had by all. Thank you to those parents who came to hear Tom Robson speak about thinking skills this week. It was an interesting discussion and the pupils enjoyed completing the Treasure Hunt with their parents. Some of our Year 5 and 6 pupils are off to Winmarleigh this weekend for adventure activities. We know that they will have an amazing time.

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.

Rights Respecting Update

The Rights Respecting Schools Ambassadors have had their first meeting. They voted for their chair and vice chairperson from Key Stage 2 and then for their Mini Chair and Mini Vice Chair Person from Key Stage 1. The votes were as follows:

Chair Person: Danny (Y3)

Vice Chair Person: Poppy (Y3)

Mini Chair Person: Jack (Y2)

Mini Vice Chair Person : Kayla (Y2)



App Update

We are so pleased that so many people have downloaded the app. If your phone or the app updates you may need to log back into the app. The login details are always available on the website if you need to do this. As year groups have changed, please ensure that you have the correct year group selected in your settings. Any problems with this – please contact the school office who will be happy to help. The app is our main form of communication now in school so please make full use of it.

Helping Hands

Helping Hands held a very successful AGM on Monday and it was agreed that some of the funds raised by this group will be used to pay for an outdoor stage to further enhance our play offer at playtime. The stage can also be used to support speaking and listening in outdoor learning.

'Helping Hands' has a **Facebook page** that they want to share with all parents it is called '**Helping Hands of Rosa Street**'. Please follow them on Facebook to keep up to date with extra-curricular events.





Sports Update

Our new School Sports Organising Crew will be attending training at Spennymoor Leisure Centre on 28th September (9:30-12:30). At the training they will be assigned their roles and they will then help to organise events in school across the year. A reminder that all pupils must bring their PE kit into school on a Monday so that it is available throughout the week for any sports opportunities. No jewellery can be worn for PE earrings must be taken out.

Outdoor Play and Learning Update (OPAL)

Our children are still enjoying making the most of the outdoors at playtime. The mud kitchen, sandpit and den building are well used. As the weather is beginning to change wellies will be needed in order to access the grassy areas as it gets muddier. Please put your child's name on their wellies and pop them on the welly rack in the yard. We are making plans for a new development to the outdoors which was requested by pupils. We are planning to have a stage with dressing up costumes which will also serve as an outdoor classroom. 'Helping Hands' have kindly offered to use funds raised to support this new development.



Harvest Festival – Thursday 19th October 9.30am and 2.00pm

We would like to invite parents to our Harvest celebration 'Harvest Song' (this will be performed twice – once at 9.30am and also at 2.00pm), there will be the opportunity for some refreshments. 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.

Dropping pupils off on yellow lines

Please do not drop 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.



Reminder – Healthy Snacks at playtime

Pupils can bring a healthy morning snack if they are in Key Stage 2. Ideally this is a piece of fruit. Please do not send cereal bars that are high in sugar and salt as they do not meet with the national 'School's Food Guidance'. Key stage 1 pupils get fruit every day for snack so do not need to bring anything. There is a healthy tuck shop for Key Stage 2 pupils – currently everything is 50p.

Dates for the Diary

(We are trying to give as much notice as possible, where we can. Sometimes opportunities present themselves and they are too good to turn down so there may be times when things occur in school at short notice.)

Halloween School Disco – Wednesday 18th October (After school)

Harvest Festival Whole School Celebration – Thursday 19th October – 9.30am or 2pm

Parents Meetings Week beg: Monday 6th November- After School appointments Monday and Afternoon appointments will also be available, to be confirmed nearer the time.

School Nutrition Action Group meeting – Tuesday 14th November at 2pm