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School Newsletter

07.09.23

A message from Miss Richards...

A warm welcome back to our Rufforth family! I hope you have had a wonderful summer break; the children have certainly returned refreshed and raring to go!

As always, our new reception children have amazed me with their maturity, confidence and resilience as they start their school life.

Class newsletters were sent today via email. In addition to the newsletters, I would like to invite parents and carers in Classes 2, 3 and 4 to our Class Welcome Meetings. The dates for each class are detailed below. The meetings are an opportunity to visit your child's classroom and meet their teacher who will share some key messages about learning and routines. For Class 1, there will be a Phonics Information Evening in place of the welcome meeting. Of course, if you have any questions about your child's first few weeks at Rufforth, please use this meeting to speak with Mrs Pollock.

This week, planners were sent home. Please spend time looking at these with your child as they contain important and useful information. There are also pages that require parent/carer signatures and pupil signatures. Please can these be read and signed by **Wednesday 13th September**.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact school.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

Miss Richards

Class Star Awards

Class 1: *INSPIRE* **All of Class 1** for a fantastic start to their school life, showing maturity, confidence and resilience!

Class 2: *GROW* **Lawrence** for starting the year with such a enthusiastic and determined attitude to learning.

Class 3: *GROW* **Isla W** for a fantastic start to the year! Great enthusiasm, a mature attitude and thoughtful answers to questions.

Class 4: *GROW* **Toby** for a mature start to the year and for asking lots of good questions.

Head Teacher's Award

CARE **Martha (Class 3)** for being a great friend and sharing thoughtful ideas in assembly.

This week's whole school attendance is 97.91%

New Behaviour Policy

On Tuesday, the children were introduced to our new house teams:

Oak Yew Sycamore Chestnut

Every child has been allocated a team and their dojo points will contribute to a whole team weekly total. Our weekly team winner will be announced in our Celebration Assembly and an extra playtime awarded as their prize. Every half-term, the team that has won most often will have an afternoon reward out of class. The children have already shown great enthusiasm for the new system and we look forward to seeing which team is the first winner!

The Friday afternoon Golden Time has now been replaced with Enrichment Time so that we can dedicate a greater focus on personal development and wider experiences for the children.

Our Enrichment Pledge and Behaviour Policy is available on our school website:

https://rufforthprimary.co.uk/

Dates for your diary

Changes/additions will be highlighted in yellow each week

Class welcome meetings 3.30-4pm

Monday 11th Sept—Class 4

Tuesday 12th Sept—Class 2

Thursday 14th Sept—Class 3

Friday 15th September—Class 3 Den Building

Wednesday 20th September, 6pm—Parent information meeting—residential (details to follow next week)

Friday 22nd September—Individual school photos

Thursday 28th September 6pm—Class 1 Phonics Information meeting

Friday 27th October -Harvest assembly (pm).

Half term holiday

Monday 6th November—INSET day

Tuesday 7th November—school reopens for children

Mrs Green

At October half term, we say goodbye to Mrs Green as she has taken the decision to retire from her very valued role at Rufforth Primary School. Mrs Green has worked at our school for 24 years, first as a parent volunteer and now as a higher level teaching assistant and our art specialist. She is a dear friend and colleague to staff and holds a special place in the hearts of families and children past and present.

We will be celebrating Mrs Green's contribution to Rufforth and her retirement later in the term.

School Crossing Patrol

We are delighted that Mrs Sinar will be taking on the role of school crossing patrol from Monday. This is a vital role in keeping our children safe.

Road safety is extremely important for our children, given the number of—and often size of- vehicles passing through the village.

Mrs Sinar is already a midday supervisor at school and part of our parent community so we wish her luck and thank her for taking on this new role.

Celebration Assemblies

A reminder that all families are welcome to every Friday assembly. This is a wonderful time in the week where we celebrate achievements both in and out of school. Teachers and Miss Richards award a Star of the Week certificate to a pupil who has stood out for demonstrating one of our school values., alongside Times Table Rock Star certificates.

We also celebrate achievements in extra-curricular activities out of school so if your child has earnt a certificate or trophy that they would like to share, please bring it into school on a Friday.

Once a half term, every class launches the assembly by sharing their recent learning. This is a fantastic way to celebrate their hard work and also helps to build their confidence and speaking and listening skills. Dates for these are shared above.

Music Lessons

If your child is interested in learning a musical instrument, we have peripatetic music teachers who teach lessons on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

There is currently a waiting list for piano and recorder lessons but please feel free to get in touch with the school office if you are interested. Marcus Bousfield teaches guitar on Fridays. If you would like further details or have any questions, please contact Marcus va email:

marcus.bousfield@btinternet.com

Class Sharing Assemblies

Class 4—Friday 22nd September

Class 3—Friday 29th September

Class 2— Friday 6th October

Class 1— Friday 13th October

Assemblies will begin at 2:50pm.

All families are welcome at every Celebration Assembly

A reminder that the end of the school day is now 3:20pm

Keeping our children safe

If you have any concerns regarding the safety or welfare of a child at school please contact Miss Richards, Mrs Pollock or Mr Woolford-Mullen, our Safeguarding Leads.

Contact us

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OUR SCHOOLS ARE RECRUITING

Support Staff Vacancies

For details and to apply, visit our website or scan the QR code

Job	Teaching Assistant Lvl 2 (1:1 SEN)
School	Badger Hill Primary School
Details	Grade 4, Level 1 – 4 £21,120 to £22,288 per annum, reduced pro rata. Fixed term until 31 August 2024 in the first instance. Part Time: 16.25 hours per week, Term Time Only. 12:15 to 15:30 Monday-Friday
Closes	6 July at midnight

Job	After School Club Assistant
School	Hempland Primary School
Details	Grade 3: £20,509 per annum reduced pro-rata 15 hours per week, Permanent, Term Time Only
Closes	12 July at midnight

Job	School Cleaner
School	Badger Hill Primary School
Details	£10.50 per hour This is a permanent position. Hours of Work : 3pm-5.30pm Monday to Friday – Term Time Only, plus 4 weeks working in the school holidays for the annual deep clean.
Closes	N/A

Job	Teaching Assistant Lvl 2
School	Tang Hall Primary School
Details	Grade 4, Level 1 – 4 £21,120 to £22,288 per annum, reduced pro rata. Temporary - Part time, 20 hours per week.
Closes	11 July at midday

Job	Midday Supervisory Assistant
School	Badger Hill Primary School
Details	Grade 2 , Level 1- £20,253 per annum reduced pro rata. Actual rate of pay is £10.50 per hour Permanent, Part time: 6.25 hours per week (term time only).
Closes	6 July at midnight

Job	Breakfast Club Assistant
School	Badger Hill Primary School
Details	Grade 3: £20,509 per annum reduced pro-rata – Actual hourly rate is £10.66 5 hours per week, Permanent, Term Time Only – Monday to Friday— 07:45 am to 08:45 am
Closes	6 July at midnight

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