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School Newsletter

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A message from Miss Richards...

This week, you received information regarding the election of a new parent governor. The Local Governing Committee, when it is complete, comprises ten governors of which two will be elected by the parents.

This is a vital role as governors are responsible for strategic leadership and accountability within schools. In practise this means that governing bodies are responsible for such things as setting a range of school policies and ensuring they are adhered to; setting and monitoring the school budget; monitoring the progress that the school is making, and setting targets for school improvement. Governors are not involved in the operational running of the school; the daily management of the school is the responsibility of the head teacher.

If you are not able to stand for election, you may know of someone who is and parents with children at the school can nominate another parent for election. If you would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact the school office, have a chat with me at the school gate or email our current Chair of Governors, Liz Raspa: lraspa@rufforth.pmat.academy.

During our recent Ofsted inspection, our Local Governing Committee was praised for it's leadership and for sharing 'leaders' ambition for pupils'. I look forward to welcoming a new parent onto the committee to support me in my continued drive to make Rufforth the best it can be.

The closing date for nominations is Wednesday 27th September.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

Miss Richards

Class Star Awards

Class 1: *INSPIRE* **Jack** for fantastic contribution to class discussions particularly in Maths.

Class 2: *INSPIRE* **Poppy** for a wonderful attitude to all areas of learning.

Class 3: *INSPIRE* **Erin** for her mature attitude to all aspects of her learning.

Class 4: *INSPIRE* **Maheshi** for a confident start to the new year.

Head Teacher's Award

GROW **George C (Class 2)** for increasing in confidence in Year 2 and for being a great helping hand for Miss Richards!

This week's whole school attendance is 98.92%

Dates for your diary

Changes/additions will be highlighted in yellow each week

Wednesday 27th September - Class 4 trip to York Food & Drink Festival

PTA AGM, 7pm - School hall

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

Wednesday 4th October, 9.15am—10.15am - Seeing is Believing—open classroom session for Geography or History. **NB Classes 2, 3 & 4 only.**

Thursday 19th October 1pm—6pm - Parent Consultation Meetings

Friday 27th October -Harvest assembly (pm).

Half term holiday

Monday 6th November—INSET day

Tuesday 7th November—school reopens for children

Rufforth's Rock Stars!

Every Friday, we celebrate children's progress in learning their multiplication and division facts during our celebration assembly.

This week's Rock Stars:

Class 2: George for great enthusiasm in learning times tables, both at school and at home.

Class 3: Isla W for showing determination and resilience resulting in great progress.

Class 4: Daisy for effort in learning tables, especially division facts.

The next meeting of the PTA is on Wednesday 27th September , 7pm, in the school hall. It would be wonderful to see as many parents there as possible as without the support of the PTA, we would not be able to provide the enrichment opportunities we offer at Rufforth. Over the years, the PTA has supported, funded and paid for many different things: from reading books, to Christmas presents, to swimming lessons. This year, they have agreed to use funds raised from their events to subsidise school trips, visitors and experiences. To take a class out of school costs an phenomenal amount of money; a cost that is increasing year on year.

If you are unable to attend the meetings, please support our school by volunteering at any of the PTA events across the year—many hands make light work so the more helpers, the better! If you are interested, please speak to Jayne Melody (Class 2 & 3 parent) or contact the school office.

A huge thank you to everyone who has supported, donated and volunteered at our fundraising events; the money raised goes directly back into school to improve the experiences for your children.

Class Sharing Assemblies

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

School Photographs

Your child has had their school photograph taken today and will be coming home with an order form. Please note these may not be available to order online until Monday.

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.

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

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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	After School Club Assistant
School	Heworth CE Primary School
Details	Grade 3 Level 1-4, £20,509, reduced pro rata) The hours are 3:15pm to 6pm, Tuesday/ Wednesday/ Thursday. Term time only
Closes	5 October at midnight

Job	Head of Physics
School	Archbishop Holgate's School
Details	Main scale Full time Permanent
Closes	27 September at 8am

Job	Payroll and HR System Manager
School	Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust
Details	Grade 8-9 £30,022 to £38,305 (reduced pro rata for part time) Full time or part time hours available Permanent Flexibility for the right candidate
Closes	2 October 2023

Job	Teaching Assistant level 2
School	Tang Hall Primary School
Details	Grade 4, Level 1—£19,195 per annum (reduced pro rata) Fixed term for 1 year Part time - 22 hours per week Term time only
Closes	9 October at midday

Job	Cleaning Assistant
School	Archbishop Holgate's School
Details	£10.50 per hour 20 hours per week - Full Year Mon - Fri - 15.30 to 19.30
Closes	N/A

Job	Cover Supervisor
School	Archbishop Holgate's School
Details	Grade 7 - £27,305 to £29,466 (actual salary £20,570) 32.5 hours Term time only
Closes	2 October at 8am

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