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School Newsletter

24.11.23

A message from Miss Richards

This week, it was my privilege to host an open afternoon for prospective new families. I am always surprised how quickly this event comes around but it is a wonderful opportunity to share and celebrate all that we are proud of at Rufforth. In addition to Reception places next September, we also have some spaces in other year groups.

It has been noticed that a number of families are leaving school via the driveway at the end of the day. If you must use this exit, please do so with greater caution, using the path rather than cutting across the grass. We have taxis and other vehicles coming and going at that time so would prefer that the main pedestrian exit is used if it is open. Ideally, the driveway should only be used during the school day when the other gates are locked. This is to keep everyone safe.

I must also remind parents that the staff car park cannot be used at drop off and pick times unless previously agreed via the school office. We still have parents taking advantage of the one or two spaces available at these times which is unfair on the rest of the school community.

Thank you for your support on these matters.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend

Miss Richards

Class Star Awards

Class 1: *INSPIRE* **Oliver** for enthusiasm to learning, particularly in his maths.

Class 2: *INSPIRE* **Edith** for wonderful enthusiasm and expression when reading nativity lines.

Class 3: *GROW* **Ronnie** for increasing maturity, confidence and resilience and for his good example to others.

Class 4: *INSPIRE* **Eme** for making links in her learning.

Head Teacher's Award

CARE **Joseph G (Class 4)** for being a great Friendship Ambassador.

This week's whole school attendance is 95.57%

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: Amelia for great progress and accuracy.

Class 3: Benjamin for his determination to succeed and increasing speed and accuracy.

Class 4: Joseph B for superb application of facts.

Dates for your diary

Changes/additions will be highlighted in yellow each week

Wednesday 6th December—KS2 Minster Service

Tuesday 12th December, 6pm & Wednesday 13th December, 1:30pm - Class 1 and 2 nativity performances

Wednesday 13th December—Riding Lights Pantomime in school

Thursday 14th December - sponsored Reindeer Rush for St Leonard's Hospice

Friday 15th December, 1.45pm - Topic showcase

TBC **Tuesday 19th December, 6pm** - Class 3 & 4 carol service

Wednesday 20th December Christmas Party Day (led by PTA)

Thursday 21st December—Christmas jumper day & Christmas dinner

Friday 22nd December—break up for Christmas

Congratulations, Mrs Cobb!

We are delighted to share the very happy news that Mrs Cobb and her husband are expecting their second child next year. Mrs Cobb will continue working alongside Mrs Sunley until the Easter holidays. During her maternity leave, Mrs Sunley will teach Class 2 full time.

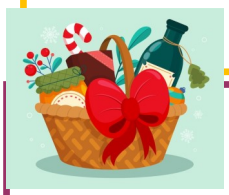
Mrs Cobb's role as Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator will be covered by Miss Richards.

New cook

Next Thursday is Angela's last day at Rufforth Primary School. We welcome our new school cook, Amy Reilly-Smythe, into our Rufforth family. Amy has been working alongside Angela for the past few weeks and is enjoying getting to know staff and children.

Please use the link below as a way to raise funds for the forthcoming Reindeer Rush. Paper copies of the sponsor form were sent home last Friday along with further details of the event:

https://stleonardshospice.org.uk/fundraising/rufforth-primary-schools-reindeer-rush/



The PTA needs you!

Yes, that's right, the Christmas bells are starting to ring!

Once again, we are wanting to collect festive food and drink donations for our Christmas raffles, one of which will be held on Tuesday 12th December at the end of the evening Nativity performance, and the other on Wednesday 13th December at the end of the afternoon performance.

Delicious hampers will be up for grabs so we need your support!

A box will be placed by the front gates (weather permitting) for families to place their donations. Donations can also be handed to the school office.

All money raised from the sale of the raffle tickets will go towards enriching the children's learning.

On behalf of the PTA and staff we would like to thank you for your generosity.

Class Sharing Assemblies

Class 2—Friday 1st December

Class 1—Friday 8th December

Assemblies will begin at 2:50pm.

All families are welcome at every Celebration Assembly

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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We are performing!

This year, children in Classes 3 and 4 have been invited to join a primary choir, alongside other schools in Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, to perform a song at Archbishop Holgate School's Christmas service. This wonderful event will take place at York Minster, giving children the opportunity to sing in a very special setting. All families are welcome to attend the service, details of which are below.

A reminder to families in Classes 3 and 4 that if your child is able to attend, we need consent via ParentPay by the end of **Monday 27th November**. Further information regarding the logistics of the evening will be shared with participants later next week. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Sunley via the school office.

OUR SCHOOLS ARE RECRUITING

Support Staff Vacancies

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

Job	Health & Safety Officer
School	Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust
Details	Grade 8-9 – £31,947 – £40,230 (pro rata) Permanent – Full Year Part time – Between 13 and 19.5 hours per week Flexibility for the right candidate
Closes	4/12/23 at midnight

Job	Cleaning Assistant
School	Archbishop Holgate's School
Details	£11.50 per hour 20 hours per week - Term time only Mon - Fri - 3.30 to 7.30
Closes	N/A

Job	Playworker
School	Clifton with Rawcliffe Primary School
Details	Kool Kids – Based at Clifton with Rawcliffe Primary school £7.49 – £10.42 (depending on experience) Permanent, Part time – 7.15am – 9am and 2.45pm – 6pm Email - koolkids@koolkidsoosc.co.uk
Closes	N/A

Job	Part time Teacher
School	Heworth CE Primary School
Details	Main Scale M3 – M6 Part time (0.4) required from Jan 2023 – Working days will be Thursday/Friday
Closes	30/11/23 at midday

Job	Teaching Assistant Level 2
School	Tang Hall Primary School
Details	Grade 4, Level 1, £21,120 per annum reduced pro rata Contract Type: Permanent Monday through to Friday 32.5 hours per week (8:30am to 3:30pm) Term time only.
Closes	11/12/23 at midday

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