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School Newsletter

26.01.24

A message from Miss Richards

As you make have seen in the York Press this week, we are delighted to report that Rufforth Primary School has come top in the primary school performance tables for York. 87% of pupils achieved the expected standard in reading, writing and maths in the 2023 Key Stage 2 SATs. High attainment is of course something to celebrate but we are equally proud of the progress our children make and their wider personal development throughout their journey at our wonderful school.

We have events during the remainder of this term to share what teaching and learning looks like at Rufforth. On Monday 5th February, parents and carers are invited to observe a typical writing lesson in our 'Seeing is Believing' session. After half term, we have two maths workshops: one for parents of children in Class 1 and 2; the other for Class 3 and 4. The workshops with go through the school's calculation policy, demonstrating how we teach and how children learn methods of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. It would be great to see as many parents as possible to support our strong home-school partnership.

Finally, at the end of term, we open our classrooms again for our 'Topic Showcase' which is a wonderful opportunity for children to share their learning from their topic work this half term.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend

Miss Richards

Class Star Awards

Class 1: *INSPIRE* **Monty** for a super attitude to learning and for being a great role model in class.

Class 2: *INSPIRE/GROW* **Arthur** for a wonderful enthusiasm linked to our Great Fire of London topic.

Class 3: *GROW* **Nelum** for her increasing confidence and excellent attitude.

Class 4: *GROW* **Lewis** for precision in writing.

Head Teacher's Award

INSPIRE **Jude (Class 3)** for well-thought and accurate contributions in his writing lessons this week.

This week's whole school attendance is 95.21%

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: Archie for showing great enthusiasm when learning his times tables.

Class 3: Ralph for his motivation, determination, speed, accuracy and all round excellence.

Class 4: Toby for consistent effort and improving speed.

Dates for your diary

Changes/additions will be highlighted in yellow each week

Monday 5th February—9.15—10:15am * - Seeing is Believing session—writing lesson. (*details for Class 1 to follow)

Friday 9th February—School closes for half term

Monday 19th February—School re opens.

Tuesday 20th February - Young Voices concert, Sheffield Arena

Friday 23rd February, 7pm - PTA Pig Racing Night, Rufforth Cricket Club

Wednesday 28th Feb —Friday 1st March—Class 4 residential, Robin Hood's Bay

Monday 26th February, 5—6pm—Class 3 & 4 Parent workshop—Maths

Wednesday 28th February, 5—6pm—Class 1 & 2 Parent workshop—Maths

Thursday 7th March—World Book Day

Friday 23rd February 2024
19.00 till late
Rufforth Cricket Club

Tickets and Pigs go on sale on Monday…

A link to buy tickets and pigs for our fabulous Pig Racing Night will be will be sent via WhatsApp. Tickets will be limited to 100 so please buy early to avoid disappointment. This event is open to family, friends and neighbours in the wider community so please share the link. The Pig Racing Night is one of our biggest fundraisers to be able to provide opportunities for the children in the spring and summer terms. It is also a great night out! If you can't make it, don't worry - you can still buy a pig to be in with a chance of winning a prize on the night.

Class Sharing Assemblies

Class 2—Friday 2nd February

Class 1—Friday 9th February

Class 4—Friday 23rd February

Class 3—Friday 1st March

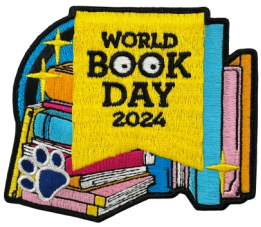
Class 2—Friday 8th March

Class 1— Friday 15th March

Assemblies will begin at 2:50pm.

All families are welcome at every Celebration Assembly

World Book Day— Thursday 7th March



For this year's World Book Day, we invite children to dress up as a character from a book as part of our celebration of reading. To support with this, we are asking for pre-loved costume and accessory donations. If your child has outgrown a fancy dress costume or anything that may help another child put together their outfit, please bring them to the school office. We will display donations in the main reception in the run up to World Book Day; please feel free to call in and help yourself.

Children's Mental Health Week

The week commencing Monday 5th February is Children's Mental Health Week. Our Friendship Ambassadors have planned activities and will launch this in school by leading an assembly at the start of the week.

On Friday 9th February, children are invited to attend school in non-uniform in exchange for a £1 donation towards the mental health charity, Place2Be. The theme is 'Express Yourself':

Express Yourself allows children and young people to celebrate what makes them unique with an incredibly fun dress-up day – this could be sharing their favourite hobby, such as skateboarding or dancing, or wearing their favourite colour or accessory. Or it could just be coming in as themselves.

Express Yourself is about letting children's voice shine through and empowering them to tell their own stories! If you need a little inspiration, here are some ideas on the right to get you started!

1. Let your inner disco diva shine on the dance floor
2. Let your personality shine through with your favourite colours
3. Embrace your creative side and unleash your artistic energy
4. Show off your team spirit with your favourite team's kit
5. Take the stage as the coolest rockstar in town
6. Come as you are and wear your comfiest clothes!
7. Bring the cool energy of the skate park to the playground
8. Share what makes you... you and celebrate what sets you apart.

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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School Crossing Patrol

We are recruiting for a school crossing patrol. As you know, the main road through Rufforth can have heavy traffic and large vehicles passing through at all times of the day.

This is a vital role to help keep children and families safe at the beginning and end of the school day. If you, or anyone you know, is interested in the role, please use the contact details below to find out more.

OUR SCHOOLS ARE RECRUITING

Support Staff Vacancies

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

Job	Manager
School	Clifton with Rawcliffe Primary School
Details	Kool Kids – Based at Clifton with Rawcliffe Primary school £14.50 per hour – Maternity Cover 37.5 hours per week, Full year 25hrs operational/12.5hrs remote working Email - koolkids@koolkidsoosc.co.uk
Closes	31/1/24 at midnight

Job	Deputy Manager
School	Clifton with Rawcliffe Primary School
Details	Kool Kids – Based at Clifton with Rawcliffe Primary school 37.5 Hours per week, Full Year. £13.00 per hour Email - koolkids@koolkidsoosc.co.uk
Closes	31/1/24 at midnight

Job	Breakfast Club Assistant
School	Huntington Primary Academy
Details	Grade C, Mon to Fri 7.45am—8.45am Part time, Term time only, Permanent
Closes	4/2/24 at midnight

Job	Assistant Headteacher
School	Clifton with Rawcliffe Primary School
Details	Leadership 3 - 7 Permanent
Closes	19/02/24 at midnight

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