

# Newsletter issue no 4



WEEK FOUR

Another busy but lovely sunny week! The new building is emerging so quickly with the weather on our side- it is really beginning to take shape as you can see from the photos.



This week all the children have been finding their singing voices

and practising hard for our Harvest Celebration on Monday. Food donations welcome for the food bank – please hand into the class teacher/office.

# HARVEST FESTIVAL MONDAY 1ST OCTOBER AT 2PM:

Thank you to those adults who have offered to be escorts on Monday. <u>Please come to the main office at 1.05pm so that we are able to give a safety talk before hand.</u> We aim to arrive at the church at 1.45/1.50pm in order to start at 2pm. At the end of our celebration, please be patient as it is important to us to make sure that the children go home with the authorised adult. Donations of (in date) ambient goods may be brought into school for the local food bank and any monetary donations are welcome at the back of the church for 'The Friends of Marsabit' charity if you wish to.

**PARENTS EVENINGS: TUESDAY 9TH OCTOBER 3.30-6.00PM AND THURSDAY 11TH OCTOBER 4.30 -7.00PM:** Teachers will be allocating and confirming the appointments next week. A poster will also be displayed in the main staffroom or class window. Please return the slips by 2.10.18.

# Family Learning Workshops

We are delighted, in partnership with Essex Adult Education, to be able to offer three family learning workshops this term:

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 1-3pm: Numbersacks- this is suitable for parents with children in Reception and Yr 1.

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 1-3pm: Storysacks; - this is suitable for parents with children in Reception and Yr 1.

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 1-3pm: Positive Parenting- this is open to parents/carers in all year groups.

The sessions are designed to give you ideas on how you can support your child's learning in creative and fun ways; or with a range of different strategies to support you with the demands of parenting.

In the first instance these will be 'stand alone' workshops, however, if there is greater interest we will be able to offer a course over a term. If you are interested in attending any or all of the above, please sign up at the main office. It would also be very helpful to get some feedback if you do attend so that we may plan further opportunities over the course of the year.

# KS2 LUNCHES AND SNACK

**KS2 school lunch**: just a reminder that KS2 pupils are now required to pay for school lunches (£2.15 per day). Payment needs to be made in advance via ParentMail. A combination of school meals/ packed lunches is possible as long as meals are paid for in advance.

**KS2 playtime snack:** as we are a Healthy School– if providing a snack from home, please ensure that it is a healthy one such as chopped fruit/ vegetables, a piece of fruit. Cakes/ biscuits or nut products or those containing nuts such as Nutella spread are not allowed due to the H&S risk this poses other children with food intolerances and severe allergic reactions.

Job Vacancy: Part time Caretaker- split shift. To start October 18: Further details, particulars and job description can be found on our website or on the Essex recruitment site: www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

**1 OCT HARVEST FESTIVAL** 

**3 OCT NUMBERSACKS 1-3PM** 

8 OCT Y2 TRIP—AEROZONE

9 OCT PARENT EVENING 3.30-6.00PM

10 OCT FLU / STORYSACKS 1-3PM

- 11 OCT PARENT EVENING 4.30-7.00PM
- **17 OCT POSITIVE PARENTING 1-3PM**
- **19 OCT LAST DAY OF TERM**

22-26 OCT HALF TERM

29 OCT PUPILS RETURN

**31 OCT FRIENDS PUMPKIN CHALLENGE\*** 

- **1 NOV PHONICS MEETING FOR REC PARENTS\***
- 29 NOV SEPT 19 ADMISSION 6.60-7.30PM\*
- **12 DEC RECEPTION NATIVITY \***
- **13 DEC KS1 CHRISTMAS PLAY\***
- 14 DEC KS2 CONCERT\*

**20 DEC LAST DAY OF TERM** 

- 7 JAN INSET DAY- CLOSED TO PUPILS
- **8 JAN PUPILS RETURN**

\* more info to follow



### <u>Assembly</u>

Well done to the following children for their efforts and achievement with learning this week...

Y1: Isabelle

Y2: Terry

Y3: Lainey

Y4/5: Clara

Keep it up!

# FRIENDS/PTA

Friends welcome new members as well as suggestions or the offer of talents/ business.

Contact email friends@roseacres.essex.sch.uk

School telephone number: 01279 879599

E-mail address: admin@roseacres.essex.sch.uk

Website: http://www.roseacres.co.uk/

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# **DINNER MENU**

NEW MENU: next week: **WEEK 2** See website/ notice board.

# Polite Reminders Safety:

## Pedestrians:

Please always **use the path** when entering or leaving the site and not exit via the car park on foot.

# Drivers:

Please park safely and responsibly on the road without obstructing the driveways or access to local residents' properties/ garages . Please park further down the road from the school and avoid, stopping, turning or reversing in front of the school. This is a very busy place for children and adults crossing. Very young children often run or scoot ahead of their parents and we would like to avoid a nasty accident occurring.

#### Attendance/sickness absence:

If your child is off school, please ring on the first day of absence **<u>BEFORE 9.15am</u>**. If we have not heard from you we will activate our 'First Day Call' procedure. If your child should get sickness and/or diarrhoea then they should be clear for **48 hours** from the last episode, before returning to school.

# Punctuality/ drop off & collection: The

gates and class doors open at 8.45am each day (15 mins early) to ease congestion. The gates are locked at 9am. We would kindly ask you to be prompt. Latecomers must enter via the main office and provide a valid reason for late arrival (which is a legal duty placed upon schools). At drop off time: KS2 children should say goodbye to their parents in the main playground; please only go around to the class door if you have a message for the teacher. KS1 parents may drop off and collect at the class door (please keep the entrance way clear). Reception parents may come into the class to help settle their child/ make a lunch choice but please leave the site by 9am so that we can secure eth site and begin the day's learning. Many thanks for your cooperation.

# Dental/eye appointments

General check ups. These should be booked for outside the school day or during school holidays.

# Medical/hospital appointments:

If this occurs during the school day, please let us know in advance and provide us with the letter/ appointment card so that we may copy it for the records. On the day, come to the main office to sign your child out.

Contact details: If you or your other named contacts update your phone number or move, please remember to inform the office **as soon as possible**. Thank you.

#### **Class Information**

This year the classes have been given class names with the theme of composers:

	Year group	Teacher	Class Name	Торіс	PE Day/s
	Reception:	Miss Mann	Elgar	Harvest	Wednesday
		Miss MacKinnon	Beethoven	Harvest	Thursday
	Year 1	Miss Cook	Vivaldi	Amazing Animals	Tuesday & Wednesday
	Year 2	Mrs Watson	Holst	Nurturing Nurses	Monday & Thursday
,	Year 3	Miss Whates	Mozart	Egyptians	Monday & Friday
	Year 4/5	Miss Bruce	Britten	Greeks	Wednesday & Thursday

# SAFETY NOTICES: WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION IN THE FOLLOWING:

Hair: shoulder/ long hair must be tied back—to prevent the spread of NITs and for safety reasons, especially in PE (regardless of gender).

**Earrings: only stud earrings may be worn to school (regardless of gender). Earrings** must be removed on PE days; the use of tape is not permitted under Essex H&S advice. Please either remove and leave them at home or if your child is able to manage this they may do it in school, however the child remains responsible for their own belongings..

**No nut products:** please no cereal bars or other snack products that contain nuts should be in school as some pupils have a severe nut allergy.

Grapes: please cut these in half as they present a choking hazard (regardless of the age of the child).

# **LEARNING NEWS:**

# ARE booklets for all year groups are now on the class pages of the website , and the curriculum leaflet for R- Y3; Y4/5 curriculum leaflet to follow.

**Reception**: Elgar & Beethoven: In Reception this week the children have been enjoying the story of The Enormous Turnip and taking on the role of different characters to act it out.

Year 1: What another busy week Year 1 have had! In Maths the focus has been on the language of greater than, less than and equals to. The children explored and used this language to compare groups of objects. After that they learnt the symbols; finishing off with an active maths lesson – see website for photos. In Literacy the focus continued on the book The Gruffalo, creating a 'story mountain' to sequence the events. The children then looked at the characters and setting in order to make their own shoebox theatres. In the Science topic, 'animals including humans', the children learnt about and explored the different senses in a fun activity session. Keep up all the hard work Year 1!

**Year 2:** This week year 2 have been researching and writing an information book about Florence Nightingale, they have also been learning to count in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s.

Year 3: In English this week, Mozart class learnt about different types of nouns including common, proper, compound and pronouns. In an active learning session they went into the library and hunted through books for each type of noun. The groups then presented their findings to the class. In Science, the focus was on marvelous mirrors. Activities included writing secret messages using reflections and completing a mirror maze outside.



Year 4/5: This week Y4/5 have been writing alternative endings to Greek myths. In art they researched and designed their own Greed vases, using secondary resources and artefacts.

### **Curriculum Enrichment**

Monday: 1:1 Music Lesson: Guitar (weekly); Thursday: Y2 swimming (weekly)

### Autumn 1: Afterschool Clubs: start w/c 24.9.18

Monday: Multi-sports: lunchtime- (free) all pupils; afterschool (field/hall): 3.15-4.15

Tuesday: Street Dance (hall) 3.15-4.15; Wednesday: lunchtime choir (Miss Bruce) Yr1-5 (free) & Golf (field/hall): 3.15-4.15

Thursday: afterschool Karate 3.15-4.15

# OUT OF HOURS SCHOOL CLUB FOR ROSEACRES PUPILS:

**PLACES AVAILABLE** for pupils who attend Roseacres school for full time/part time/ ad-hoc child care. **learningtoflychildcareservices@mail.com** website: https:/leighparnell.wixsite.com/learningtofly. Please be aware that this is a privately owned and run club and operates independently of Roseacres Primary School. It is registered with Ofsted, meeting their requirements for this facility. Whilst we are able to signpost childcare and other provision in our office foyer, parents are advised to assure themselves of the suitability of any provision .