

### Newsletter 5th January 2024

Dear Rumboldswhyke families,



Welcome to the first newsletter of 2024 and a very Happy New Year to everyone. I do hope you all had a happy and peaceful Christmas break. I would like to take this

opportunity, on behalf of all the staff, to thank you for the many wonderful cards and gifts we received at the end of last term. Thank you, they were very much appreciated.

#### Parenting Course / Workshop

There are still spaces on our upcoming Parenting Workshops on the 10<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> January. These will run from 3:30pm-5:00pm. If any parents would still like to come. Please sign up for the course via the 'School Shop' section on the Arbor Parent Portal / Arbor App.

We will run a creche in school, so you can attend, have a cup of tea and a biscuit in a relaxed atmosphere. If you would like your child / children to attend the creche, please let us know by emailing the school office at office@rumboldswhyke.org.uk

#### School Uniform

The children looked very smart coming back to school this week and we were very impressed that you remembered the change in P.E. days. (please see table below as a reminder if needed).

A few reminders about the School uniform policy. Black comfortable school shoes only. No trainers (unless a P.E. day) and no boots or open-toed sandals.

Long hair must be tied back for P.E.

If your child has their ears pierced they are allowed to wear simple studs, however these studs should be removed for P.E. and Swimming.

If children are unable to remove their earrings themselves, they should have them removed on P.E. days.

	PE	Swimming	Forest School
Monday	Reception Yr 1 Yr2		
Tuesday		Red Class (starts 9th Jan)	
Wednesday	Reception Yr 1 Yr 2		Green Class
Thursday	Red Class Green Class		
Friday	Green Class		

#### **Planned Absences**

Just a reminder that if you know your child will be absent from school, please could we ask that you complete the 'Absence Request Form' as soon as possible, ideally a minimum of 4 weeks in advance, and hand it into the school office.

A copy of the form can be obtained from the school office, or from our website at the link below:

https://www.rumboldswhyke.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/Request-for-Absence-Letter-PDF-for-website.pdf

If your child is to be absent from school due to a hospital / GP / dentist appointment, etc, please can we ask parents to supply the school with a copy of the appointment confirmation letter / text message, so that we can ensure this is filed along with the absence request form accordingly.

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#### Parent Governor Election

Prior to the Christmas holidays, three candidates were nominated for our two Parent Governor vacancies.



As a result, we will today be sending each child home with voting papers for parents to complete and return to school.

Each parent is entitled to two votes (one vote for each vacancy).

Voting papers should be returned to the school office in a sealed envelop, marked "Ballot Papers" and placed in the Ballot Box at reception, by 9am Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January.

We will then let you know the result of the ballot the same day.

With very best wishes, Lisa Harris



Diary Dates

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8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Football Club (Yrs 3, 4 & 5)
9th Jan	Swimming – Red Class
10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Parenting Workshop
11th Jan	Red Class trip to Butser Ancient Farm
	Football Club (Yrs 1 & 2)
15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Football Club (Yrs 3, 4 & 5)
16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Swimming – Red Class
	Parenting Workshop
17 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Parenting Workshop
18th Jan	Football Club (Yrs 1 & 2)
22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Football Club (Yrs 3, 4 & 5)
23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Swimming – Red Class
25 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Football Club (Yrs 1 & 2)
29th Jan	Football Club (Yrs 3, 4 & 5)
30th Jan	Swimming — Red Class

## February 2024 1st Feb

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5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Football Club (Yrs 3, 4 & 5)		
6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Swimming — Red Class		
7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Parents Evening (more details to		
	follow in the new year)		
8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Football Club (Yrs 1 & 2)		
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	follow in the new year)		
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Half Term		
19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Feb INSET Day (no children in school)		
20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Back to school		

Football Club (Yrs 1 & 2)

### Term Dates 2023 - 2024

#### Spring Term 2024

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March Half Term – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February

INSET Day Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February – children not in school

#### Summer Term 2024

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July Half Term – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May

Please note we are still in the process of organising the remaining 2 INSET days for the next academic year and will share these dates with you as soon as we can.

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