

Rumboldswhyke Newsletter 9th July 2021

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Dear Rumboldswhyke families,

As another busy week draws to a close, I would love to share with you some of the exciting things that have been happening at school.



Sport's Day

The weather was perfect: cloudy and warm. The children demonstrated resilience and determination helped along by their incredible enthusiasm to get involved and the Bishop Luffa Sport's Leaders did a fabulous job of organising the event and cheering on every single child. We would like to extend our thanks to the students of Bishop Luffa who made the afternoon such a success. The only way the event could have been even better is if we could have invited all of our friends and families to watch. Hopefully, you have been able to log onto Seesaw (Year 2) or Tapestry (Year R and Year 1) and find photographs of the afternoon. A video montage is being put together which we hope to share with you soon.

Jaws and Claws

Yesterday, Phil from Jaws and Claws, brought in a variety of minibeasts and other awesome creatures for the children to handle (if they wanted to). Can I just say we have some incredible brave, courageous and inquisitive children here at Rumboldswhyke. They were amazing. Thank you for your $\pounds 5$ contributions towards the cost of running this experience, we really do appreciate it, and so do the children.



Laptops

Yesterday we received an incredible donation from Business2Schools of 50 laptops. These devices have been donated by Tandem Bank in London as part of the Make a Difference BBC campaign. This means that each child at our school will have access to a device in the autumn term. How amazing is that! We would like to say a huge thank you to the team at Business2Schools and Tandem Bank for the generous donation.

A few changes for next year:



Seesaw

Over the past year we have been using different platforms to communicate with our families at home: Tapestry and Seesaw. From September we shall be moving away from Tapestry and the whole school will be using Seesaw. Before the end of term, we will send out log in details and individual pupil codes so we can use this to share photographs, work, messages from September.



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Hot school meals

From September we are beginning a brand new contract with the catering company: Caterlink. The children will receive a delicious, nutricious hot meal

which you will choose in advance. All children in Reception and Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) are entitled to receive a free meal at school through the Universal Free School Meals Scheme. The big change for us at Rumboldswhyke is we are converting to a primary school; therefore we will have children who are in Key Stage 2 (Year 3). Children in Key Stage 2 can still have a hot school meal but there will be a daily charge to of £2.35 payable by parents/carers. Children entitled to Pupil Premium funding continue to receive this for free. Details on how to book your child's meal will follow soon.

Free Afternoon Fruit

Under the SFVS (School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme), each child aged four to seven in school is entitled to receive a free piece of fruit or vegetable each day .

Sadly this will not be available to Year 3 pupils in September but please feel free to provide your child with an extra piece of fruit for them to have at afternoon break if you wish.

We hope that all children will continue to bring their own fruit as usual to have at morning playtimes.

Breakfast Club

From September there will be some changes to Breakfast Club provision. Over the past year we have run this club with no charge for attendance. As our school grows we will need to make a charge for this provision. Places will need to be booked in advance so we can staff and resource the club properly. However, children entitled to Pupil Premium funding will continue to attend without charge.

Your child/children will be bringing home a paper booking form along with the terms and conditions for the club today.

Do complete and return this form to school if you wish to book a place for September.

Please take the time to read and understand, as there are a number of changes, to the terms and conditions for the breakfast club as they will apply to everyone in September.

Fundraising Raffle

In the absence of a school fair and the ability to get our Friends of Rumboldswhyke School Associstion off the ground, we have decided to hold an End of Term raffle to raise funds to spend on the children next year.

We have been fortunate to have been given a set of garden furniture and Goodwood tickets which will be raffled at the end of term. This will be open to all families, friends and staff.

Your child/children will be bringing home more information today!

Enjoy the weekend!

Best wishes,

Lisa Harris

We invite you to view the childrens'

Artwork inspired by 'Henri Mattisse'

on Wednesday 14th July at 3.00pm at

the YrR/1 and Yr2 pickup points.

