

Rumboldswhyke Newsletter 18th February 2022 Part of the Bishop Luffa Learning Partnership



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Dear Rumboldswhyke families,

I want to start today's newsletter by saying thank you for all being so incredibly understanding with the last minute closure of the school. The decision to close is never taken lightly, especially after the disruption to education over the last two years. However, the red weather warning predicting 'extremely strong and damaging winds' and the MET office saying there is danger to life, means school closure is the safest option for all. Hopefully, you all received communication via Seesaw, email and/ or text message this morning informing you of the decision to close.

All children have been set work on our learning platform: Seesaw. Please get your children to complete what they can. We know home learning places greater pressure on families so be kind to yourselves and break the learning into manageable chunks. Continuing to listen to your child read and practising their words is the best way you can support them at home.

Mrs Nicholds

Today was the (very sad) day we were due to say goodbye to Mrs Nicholds. The children have already informed her she is 'not to find out what the surprise secret is'. Therefore, I am very pleased to say that Mrs Nicholds will be coming in to visit us after half term so we can say goodbye properly and she can find out what her 'surprise secret' is!

I received a lovely message from one of our parents this morning.

'Please could you pass on our big thanks to Mrs Nicholds, she has been so so lovely, kind and friendly and we will miss her but we do wish her all the best.' There will be a huge Mrs Nicholds sized hole at Rumboldswhyke. She is always the friendly, bubbly face that greets us at the door. We will miss her very much!

<u>After Half Term – Staff Updates – Inset Days</u>

A quick reminder that Monday 28th February and Tuesday 1st March are Inset days so the children do not return to school until Wednesday 2nd March.





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World Book day - Thursday 3rd March

Thursday 3rd of March is World Book Day! It is a special one as it marks its 25th anniversary.

This year we do not expect the children to come dressed in full WBD costume. We would like them to decorate a hat or bring along an accessory with gives clues so we

can work out which book they are from. Suggestions include: a bucket full of dinosaurs, a robe and a wand, a cardboard chocolate bar wrapped in a golden ticket. Be as creative as you like! During the day the children will get the opportunity to choose their end of day story which will be read by one of the adults in school. Each adult will offer their favourite picture book. The children will also take part in a silhouette hunt organised by the librarians from Bishop Luffa.

School Photos

The school photographer will be in school Monday 7th March.

All children will have individual and class photographs taken during the morning. **Parents of Year 3 children will be going swimming that morning, therefore, if you wish for your child to have an individual photograph taken, <u>they need to come to school at 8.15am</u>. They will be included in a class photograph on their return.**

There will be an opportunity to purchase copies of the photographs at a later date when your child will bring home samples for you to order.

Final Message

I would like to extend my thanks to our families, children and staff for working together to make this a successful half term filled with many enriching experiences. I think families and educators across the country have found this half term to be the most challenging yet, particularly with the unfortunate mixture of Covid and chicken Pox!

I feel incredibly fortunate to be surrounded by such caring, nurturing, thoughtful and compassionate families, children and colleagues. The Rumboldswhyke Team have worked tirelessly to ensure that the education and care has continued to be engaging and inclusive, whether the children are at home or school.

Our school values of Love, Compassion, Respect and Hope have truly been displayed throughout the half term. Sending our thoughts and prayers to those affected by the storm and our thanks to the many emergency workers helping those in need.

Take care, stay safe and ensure you and your children get plenty of rest over the next week. You all certainly deserve and need it.



Lisa Harris



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Term Dates

February

$21^{st}-25^{th}$	Half term
28 th	Inset Day – No school for children

March

1 st	Inset Day – No school for children

April

8 th	Last day of spring term
25 th	First day of summer term

May June

$30^{th} - 3^{rd}$	Half Term
6 th	Inset day - No school for children

July

20 th	Last day of summer term for children
21 st	Inset day - No school for children



For families with young children **St George's Church, Whyke** Cleveland Road, PO19 7AD I March, **3:15**pm Come and join us for an afternoon of crafts, worship and pancakes



Please register on Eventbrite All children must be accompanied by an adult For more info please email: frangusreid@outlook.com

