



Rumboldswyke Newsletter 9th September 2022

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Dear Rumboldswyke families,

It is with great sadness that yesterday we heard the news of the passing of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. As a school, our thoughts and prayers are with her family and the country at this sad time. Today, the children have welcomed the opportunity to reflect on and celebrate her life, contributing to a book of remembrance and celebration. May her Majesty rest in peace and rise in glory.



It has been a joy to see our entire Reception class children playing and exploring their new classroom together. Today, they joined us in the lunch hall for the first time and we look forward to next week when they are with us full time.

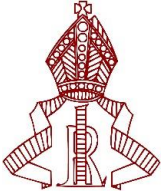
At this time of year, we like to update you with our plans for developing the school. Rumboldswyke has been on an exciting and at times challenging journey over the last few years. We are passionate about moving the school forward to provide the best opportunities and experiences for your children. Whilst there are many exciting developments planned over the next school year such as; the development of play leaders, young governors (school council) and SEND parental drop in sessions. Our main priorities for the academic year are as follows.

- To deliver high quality phonics teaching which reduces cognitive load and provides timely targeted intervention
- To improve outcomes in Reading and Writing
- To review and refine our Maths curriculum
- To improve attendance so that it is at least in line with national outcomes and that the rate of persistent absence decreases to be in line with the national average.

There are many ways you will be able to support us with these priorities, which will be shared through parental workshops, Parents’ Evenings, Newsletters and curriculum letters.



One of the most important things you can do with your children is to develop a love of reading. Share books/audio books with them and get them to read books to you. Reading is the gateway to a wealth of knowledge and extended imagination. Five minutes sharing a book everyday makes a huge difference and gets your child off to a fabulous start. Even our year 4's will benefit hugely from having books read with them.



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Bookfest

There are many other exciting plans being hatched behind the scenes for the children, the first of which is happening on Tuesday 4th October. We will be welcoming a local author into school to inspire our children. We are thrilled to be part of the Chichester Children’s Bookfest (<https://www.childrensbookfest.com/>) and, as a result, we will be welcoming Poppy O’Neil to work with our children in Yellow and Red Classes. She will be talking to the children about her book: Be Cool, Be You, a book about making friends, which was published in July.

ATTENDANCE and HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME



We urge families to avoid booking holidays during term time - not only will this disadvantage your own children, but it will also have a negative impact on other children in your child’s class. We absolutely understand that families have not been able to enjoy holidays away from home together in recent times BUT the impact of lost school time is very significant for children across the country and by adding to this pressure, we are not working together effectively as a school community to meet the needs of all our learners.

Meet the Teacher

Don’t forget our Meet the Teacher meetings next week. We strongly encourage you to attend these if possible. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child’s new teacher, find out the class routines and what is coming up in the school year, and most importantly, ways to support your child’s learning.

Yellow Class: 14:45 on Monday 12th September

Red Class: 14:45 on Tuesday 13th September

Diary Dates

Please see attached a table of known diary dates for this term overleaf. There are many things planned for this term for which the dates have not yet been set so please keep a close eye on our newsletters.

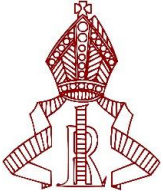


Yellow and Red Class

To ensure that our records are up to date, please may you complete and return the attached Emergency Contact form, Health form and Annual Consent form, as soon as possible. Thank you!

With very best wishes,

Lisa Harris



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12th September Meet the teacher Yellow Class – 14:45
13th September Meet the teacher Red Class – 14:45

October 2022

4th October Poppy O’Neil book author to visit Red & Yellow Class
7th October Influenza nasal spray vaccination
24th - 28th Half Term

November 2022

1st November Fire Fighters’ visit for Blue & Yellow Class

December 2022

16th December Last day of term