



Roseberry Primary & Nursery School Newsletter



February 2015

WORLD BOOK DAY

Just a reminder that next Thursday, 5th March, is World Book Day and the children are invited to dress up as their favourite book characters.

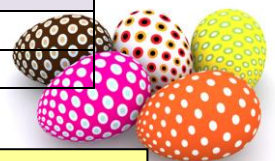
As usual, the annual book fayre will be open in the school hall for parents and children to buy books from Tuesday to Friday, every night from 3.15 – 4.00 p.m. There will also be an opportunity to buy books from 8.30 – 9.00 a.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

Each class has also been allocated a slot to peruse the books and items on sale. Parents are also invited to these slots. Please see table below for your child's class.

Reading is the most important part of the school curriculum and an essential life skill. Please come along to the book fayre and encourage your child to read at home.

Your child's book voucher is attached to this letter.

Tuesday 3 rd March	Year 4	9.30 – 10.00 a.m.
	Nursery	11.00 – 11.30 a.m.
	Year 6	2.15 – 2.45 p.m.
Wednesday 4 th March	Year 1	9.30 – 10.00 a.m.
	Year 2	11.00 – 11.30 a.m.
	Year 5	2.15 – 2.45 p.m.
Thursday 5 th March	Year 3	9.30 – 10.00 a.m.
	Reception & Nursery	2.00 – 2.45 p.m.



EASTER ACTIVITIES

Early Years Easter Bonnet Competition – Wednesday 25th March

Decorated Easter eggs competition – entries may be sent into school from Monday 23rd March.

Judging will take place Wednesday 25th March.

Easter Disco – Wednesday 25th March (usual time)

Egg rolling and egg jarping competitions - Please send 2 hard-boiled eggs into school on Monday 23rd March for competing during the week.

Parents are invited to compete in the egg jarping finals on Friday 27th March at 9.00 a.m. Please come along and join in the fun!

OLYMPIC ATHLETE VISITS SCHOOL

Chris Tomlinson, an Olympic long-jumper with a distinguished career, visited our school this month. Pupils of all ages participated in fun activities, alongside Chris and heard about his personal achievements. Chris is an excellent role model for pupils, demonstrating what can be achieved through hard work and determination! Pupils had the opportunity to ask Chris questions and learn about how to lead a healthy lifestyle. Thank you to all parents and relatives for sponsoring the children for this activity.



Above: Pupils in Years 1 & 4 hi-5 Chris after completing their activities. T's quite a way to jump!

Left: Year 4 pupils have fun doing the 'spotty dog'.

NORTHERN ECHO SCHOOL AWARDS

Mr Laverick, our vice chair of governors, nominated the school in the category of outstanding school websites/newspapers, in the Northern Echo School Awards.

I am very pleased to tell you we are finalists. We will be featured in a special supplement due to be published on 3rd March, showcasing all finalists. We will find out who the winners are on 10th March. I would like to say a special 'thank you' to Miss Dodds who regularly updates our website. Remember you can view this newsletter in colour by visiting the website on

www.peltonroseberry.durham.sch.uk



Miss Dodds views our website with Ellie (Year 5) and Leo (Year 2)

ANTI-BULLYING DAY

Pupils worked in mixed age groups to create friendship bracelets during our termly anti-bullying afternoon. All children wore blue for the day to show their support for anti-bullying and the school council delivered a special assembly.

CHINESE NEW YEAR

This week the pupils have been participating in Chinese New Year activities and many parents attended our Chinese lunch. We hope you enjoyed it!

SAFER INTERNET DAY

This special day was celebrated on 10th February. Please be aware that some games such as 'Grand Theft Auto' are 18 rated and are not suitable for young children.



Year 3 pupils creating their Chinese dragons.



HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY AWARDS

Well done to the following children for impressing Mrs Lee this month:

6/2/15 – Kai P (Year 4) for wearing his glasses, making great progress and enjoying his learning!

13/2/15 – Lilia W (Year 3) for good progress in her reading and being an excellent role model!

27/2/15 – Lani S (Year 4) for excellent writing; using similes and metaphors and outstanding progress in handwriting skills.

Well done to all our achievers!

Birthdays in February

Happy Birthday wishes were given to the following children in assembly this month:

Laila S, Jessica R & Paige H were 5 (Year R)

Joshua B was 6 (Year 1)

Beth D, Kayla B, Macey and Tilly R & Keira F were 7 (Year 2)

Dylan R & Jessica T were 9 (Year 4)

Billy C was 10 (Year 5)

Hannah B & Connor H were 11 (Year 6)

PARENT SUPPORT ADVISOR

Mrs Claire Donnelly is happy to support parents with issues such as attendance and behaviour. She can advise you on routines, rewards and sanctions, as well as any general queries you may have. Please get in touch if you need a friendly ear to listen to your problems and suggest some ways forward. She can be contacted on 07771371391.



PARENTS' EVENING

This was originally planned for week beginning 10th March. However, after careful consideration we have decided that it would be better to hold the meetings after the Easter holidays so we can update you on your child's spring term results.

Meetings will now be held on **Tuesday 21st April**. Please put this date in your diary.

PARENT GOVERNOR

Our new parent governor is Mrs Seymour, whose daughter attends our nursery. I'm sure Mrs Seymour will be a real asset to the governing body.

VANDALISM TO ROOF

Unfortunately, thieves have vandalised the roof to take what little-remaining lead is there and caused damage worth hundreds of pounds. This is money which could be spent on resources for your children. If you live near the school or are driving past and you notice anything suspicious, please ring the police.

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

Our after-school provision started this week with a range of clubs at a reasonable cost for working parents. If you are interested, please visit the website for further details.

DIARY DATES

Book Fayre from **Tuesday 3rd March**

Open Day for prospective parents - **Tuesday 3rd March**

World Book Day - **Thursday 5th March** (Dress up as your favourite book character)

Judo experience – **Monday 9th & Tuesday 10th March**

Mothers' Day Lunch - **Tuesday 10th March**

Reception Infant Agility – **Thursday 12th March** (P.E. kit needed)

Red Nose Day – **Friday 13th March** (Pyjama Day)

Fire Fighters' Clothing Collection – **Wednesday 18th March**

Climbing wall (Rec – Year 6) – **Monday 23rd March**

Easter activities – see above

Year 6 Safety Carousel – **Thursday 26th March**

School closes for Easter holiday – **Friday 27th March**