



Roseberry

Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

April 2016



SOCCERTOTS

Our Reception pupils recently participated in a football festival. The boys and girls had a great time practising their kicking and dribbling skills alongside pupils from other schools. This is one of the activities organised by the Schools Sports Partnership and funded with the Sports Premium.



"You can't use your hands. You have to use your feet." (Chloe)

"It was good because you could kick things." (Kieran)

"I liked playing with the balls. It was fun." (Brodie)

"Everyone was smiling and Chloe giggled a lot!" (Miss Baird)

"Our school was the best behaved." (Miss Seed)

CHICKS HATCH IN EARLY YEARS

I don't know who was more excited about the arrival of the chicks – the staff or the pupils! The pupils were enthralled when the chicks hatched and got to hold them.



*"They are so cute. I got to belly rub one." (Isabella)
"3 girls and 2 boys make 5 chicks."*

SANTIAGO WINS BRONZE

Our ex-pupil, Santiago Dubov, visited us in assembly this month to show everyone his bronze medal, which he won in the World Championships for acrobatic gymnastics in China.

He brought in sweets for every boy and girl as a thank you for helping him raise the funds to go to China and compete.

He gave an inspirational speech, telling the pupils that they can achieve their dreams if they work hard and never give up.

We are very proud of Santiago and wish him every success in the future.



HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY AWARDS

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

15/4/16 – Jasmin L (Year 2) for fantastic work in Maths – telling the time to the nearest 5 minute interval and also her work on contractions in English.

22/4/16 – Lucy H (Year 5) for her great work in describing characters and being an excellent role model.

29/4/16 – Billy C (Year 6) for never giving up, even when he was poorly, and making great progress in his Maths!

Birthdays in April

Lots of children have had birthdays this month:

Harry and Flyn were 3 years old; Cole, Harrison, Luca and Cohen were all 4;

Erin, Jessica, Bobby & Courtney were all 7;

Eva, Olivia & Joshua were 9;

Jamie & Caitlin were 10 and Liam was 11.

Birthday wishes to you all!

PARENTS' EVENINGS

Parents' evenings were very well attended. It is essential that school and home work together to ensure the very best for our children. Evaluations of parents' evenings are starting to come into school. If you haven't yet returned yours, please do as we are constantly looking for ways to improve our practice. All questionnaires returned so far have been positive. Comments about what went well include:

"Finding out how my child is progressing in school and looking at her work."

"The teacher spoke about everything we needed to know about our child's progress and we are very happy."

"We were extremely pleased with our recent parents' evening experience. The teacher is an absolute credit to the school, giving up her own time to put on after-school classes for those that want to attend, in preparation for the up and coming SATs. Her dedication and commitment to ensuring her pupils do well should be recognised and we would like to express our sincere gratitude for all of her hard work."

Attendance at parents' evenings			
2 year old nursery	100%	3 year old nursery	100%
Reception	86%	Year 1	100%
Year 2	95%	Year 3	92%
Year 4	92%	Year 5	90%
Year 6	93%		

If you haven't had a chance to meet with your child's teacher yet, please contact them to arrange a suitable time.

SCHOOL COUNCIL FUND RAISING



Thank you to parents for supporting our non-uniform day this month. The school council wanted to raise funds to support our gardening club. We raised £119.30 which will be used to buy new gardening equipment and plants. Thank you too, to those parents who have very kindly donated plants for the garden and school allotment.

Members of the gardening club taking cuttings



QUEEN'S 90th BIRTHDAY

On Thursday 9th June, we will be celebrating the Queen's 90th birthday with a picnic party. Instead of school meals, children will be given a picnic to take on the school field. The contents will include; a sandwich; a sausage roll; a piece of fruit; vegetable sticks and a cake or biscuit. Children who normally stay for packed lunch may purchase a picnic bag or bring their own. Letters will be sent out nearer the time to gather exact numbers for the kitchen staff. In classes, the children will be decorating a crown to wear on Friday 10th June. Children may also wear royal themed clothes or red, white and blue on Friday to commemorate the celebration.

On a separate note, I have been informed that the price of a school meal will be going up from September 2016 to £2.00.

RESTORATIVE APPROACHES

Our information briefing for parents on our new approach to promoting positive behaviour was held yesterday. For those parents who couldn't attend, an information booklet will be coming home with this newsletter. Well done to Brandon, Aaron and Liam in Year 6, for demonstrating the process so well to parents and pupils too.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Can we remind parents that payment for After School Club must be paid in advance and not in arrears. If you think you may need to use After School Club at short notice and are unable to get in to school to make a payment, can we suggest you leave money in an envelope at the office which could then be used if you need to call school at short notice.

DIARY DATES

May 2nd BANK HOLIDAY

May 5th Elections – Please note school will be open but Sunshine Club will not be on in the morning and after school club will take place in the dining hall so parents need to pick up from the KS2 yard entrance.

Week beginning 9th May – Year 6 SATs. All Year 6 pupils must attend school

May 10th – Year 3 mini tennis

May 19th – Y3/4/ Athletics event at Riverside

May 24th – Year 5 visit to Victorian tunnels

May 27th School closes for half term

June 6th – INSET DAY (school closed to pupils)

Please remember our newsletter can be viewed in colour on the school's website.