



Roade Primary School Newsletter 5

Friday 3rd November 2023

ATTENDANCE

Yesterday I sent a letter out to all parents outlining our new procedures for attendance at school.

As part of this, I will be providing updates in each newsletter with our attendance figures.

As we move into the colder months, I do appreciate that this is the time when coughs and colds start to take hold. At school, we will continue to encourage good hygiene practices. We would also now encourage children to remember bring in their coats, hats and gloves etc. to stay warm during playtimes and lunchtimes.

If you do require any support with attendance at school, Mrs Tindall – our Family Support Worker and Attendance Officer – is on hand to offer advice and practical solutions. Please do get in touch if you have any questions.

Attendance figures for this week:

Whole school attendance to date – 95.5%

Whole school attendance for this week – 96.1%

Highest attendance for the week: Year 2 – 99.7%

A message from the Headteacher



I hope you all had an enjoyable and restful half term. I have loved talking to the children this week about what they got up to in the holidays. It sounds like a lot of pumpkins were purchased!

Thank you to everyone who supported the Friends of Roade Primary School with their first event of the year – the Halloween Disco! The children looked incredible in their costumes, and they behaved impeccably during the disco. They were a real credit to you and the school.

Thank you to those of you who have kindly donated Lego and Barbies for our lunchtime provision. We are also on the hunt for any small vehicles which you are no longer using. If you would like to donate these to the school, please drop them into the school office.

We have lots of events planned for Christmas, so please take a note of the dates and times shared.

Finally, in our bid to improve our communication with parents, you will now be receiving half termly, year group newsletters which will provide you with an insight into what your children will be learning. We hope you find these useful.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs Michel



Stars of the Week

There have been another two Celebration Assemblies. Once again, the teachers were commenting on the children's resilience and determination in lessons. Keep up the great work everyone! Congratulations to all our Stars of the Week for the last two weeks:

Harry S, Ted B, Henry T, Henry L, Harper, Laila, Ted H, Eloise, Isabella, Freddie, Rupert, Archie, Cara, Nyla, Paul, Florence, Miriam, Betsy, Macie, Rosie, Imogen and Megan.



Upcoming dates

Please keep an eye out for Parent Mail with further details about each event

Tuesday 7th and Thursday 9th November – Parent's Evenings

Friday 10th November – Remembrance Service for years 1-6 (during the school day)

Thursday 16th November – Photographer in school (photos for school website)

Friday 17th November – Children in Need

Friday 24th November – Family Reading Session 8.50am

Christmas

Thursday 7th December – Year 2 Christmas Singing Concert 2.30pm and 5.30pm

Thursday 7th December – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 11th December – Year 1 Christmas Singing Concert 2.30pm and 5.30pm

Tuesday 12th December – Dolce Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 13th December – EYFS Nativity 9.30am and 2.20pm.

Thursday 14th December – Carols in the Playground years 3-6.

Wednesday 20th December – Christmas jumper and party afternoon

Website update

Our school website will soon be having a new look. We have booked a photographer to come into school on Thursday 16th November to take up-to-date photos of the school and the wonderful activities we have on offer. We will soon be contacting you about getting your permission for your child to be in photos for publicity.

SEND ranges

Thank you to everyone who attended our information afternoon about the new SEND Ranges introduced by West Northants. If you were not able to attend but would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact the school for an appointment with a member of our Inclusion Team.



Behaviour Policy Update

At Roade, we have high aspirations for all our pupils and want them to be the very best versions of themselves.

We have therefore updated our Behaviour Policy to include 3 simple, yet effective values – The 3 Rs:

At Roade Primary we are...

Ready

Respectful

Responsible

I have been hugely impressed with the children's behaviour since joining the school and they have really taken on board the 3Rs across all aspects of school life.

We love to celebrate pupils who go 'over and above' these values, and you will now find Recognition Boards in each classroom. We also have a whole school recognition board by the school hall. Any children who have been added to this have really shown exceptional behaviour and we are very proud of them!

If you would like more detail about our behaviour policy and strategies, please visit the Policies tab on our school website.



Sporting achievements - Report by Coach Kev

Before half term, some year 3 and 4 pupils competed in the district competition for tag Rugby held at Towcestrians RFU.

The children competing had a wonderful day, despite getting a bit soggy from all the rain. We only lost 2 matches all day which is a remarkable achievement considering this was some children's first experience of tag rugby. We finished 10th overall (winning our pool for 10th to 14th).

The same day also saw our girls' football team have their first match of this new school year as we headed over to Bugbrooke to play the fixture. Unfortunately, we lost the game but the real victory for us was 5 of the 8 girls played their first ever competitive football match and the improvement during the game was fantastic. I have some girls who seem to have the 'football bug' and are already asking me when the next game is.

All the children represented the school magnificently and I couldn't be a prouder coach!

Coach Kev



Year 6 Magistrate Visit

On Friday 20th October, Year 6 had a wonderful morning when they were visited by Magistrate Ron Johnson. They spent the morning learning about the court systems, grasping the tools required to be a good witness and asking many insightful questions about law. As part of the workshop, the class ran a mock trial with each student taking on a role from within the court. After some deliberation, the class found the offender guilty! We hope to invite Ron back later this year to discuss WW2 during our history unit.

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Headteacher email

I am aware that in the past, you have been able to contact the headteacher via the email head@roade-pri.northants-ecl.gov.uk. However, due to a system update, this email is now no longer monitored on a regular basis.

Therefore, should you wish to contact me directly, please email admin@roade-pri.northants.sch.uk and a member of the admin team will ensure this gets passed on to me.