



Roose Community Primary School

Newsletter February 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am so proud of our school community and the way everyone is coping during these extremely strange and difficult times. The wet, cold days of winter makes home-learning so much harder when it isn't as easy to get out and breathe fresh air and burn off energy. The resilience and resourcefulness I have witnessed from families is incredible and please be reassured that we all understand the difficulty of the situations that many of you are in. Trying to support different ages of children with home-learning whilst working from home, trying to run a home and also maintain some kind of sanity and structure, is near impossible. Please try to access home-learning activities but please do not worry if you can't every day. Your family's health and well-being is more important. Staff are trying to set activities that children can access without much support to make it easy for you. We can also provide devices if you are struggling and can help with device issues so please get in touch if you need help.

As always, a huge thank you to all our staff who continue to go above and beyond every day, juggling a vast range of different roles and activities. We are extremely lucky to have such a hard-working and dedicated team.

Mental Health Week

This week we have been joining in with the national mental health week. We have provided activities to help focus on this and to help support our families. We hope you have enjoyed some of these activities. We will also be starting to send certificates to children at home for excellent home-learning, so please look out for these.

PJ Day

Next Friday, to celebrate the last day of this half term and the start of the holidays, we will be having a pyjama day. I was sent a lovely video made by reception who persuaded me it was a good idea! If children are in school on that day, they can come into school wearing their pyjamas! If children are home-learning, they can do their activities in their pyjamas and we will send everyone a certificate who completes their home-learning in their pyjamas. Please send us a photo via Seesaw.

Garden and anniversary

As you will be aware, we are planning to re-develop the garden area in the playground and the money raised by Pat Robinson at the beginning of autumn will be used for this. I am currently in talks with Orian as they have kindly said they will further support us with this. I hope to be able to provide more details soon. As the anniversary of the passing of Mrs Jacobs approaches, we are discussing as a team about the best ways to remember her and acknowledge everything she did for our school community. We will let you know next month but have got some very special things planned which we know she would have loved.

Support for families

There are a number of different County Council agencies and charities offering a range of support at the moment, practically, financially and for mental health. Please don't struggle on, if you are finding things hard, let us know by contacting myself at head@roose.cumbria.sch.uk or your child's teacher, via Seesaw. We are here and happy to help. The school office and phones will not be manned for the full school day so if you need to phone and speak to someone, mornings are best. Messenger and emails will be picked up at other times. Please see attached a leaflet from Cumbria County Council for support available.

Best wishes,
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