

# Roose Community Primary School Newsletter September 2021

'As a Caring Community, we learn and grow'.

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a wonderful start back to the new school year we have had! School is buzzing with happy children learning and all of Team Roose are excited about the year ahead.

## Swimming

We are pleased to be re-starting swimming at Roose for this academic year. As before, all classes from year 1 to year 6 will benefit from a term of swimming each year. We have secured 2 swimming sessions at Dalton Baths every Tuesday morning with the bus having to leave school promptly at 8.50am. Year 6 and year 3 will be going swimming this term, with year 6 leaving first. If possible, please can children come to school with their costumes under their uniforms as this will help them be in the pool on time and also helps with the covid arrangements at the baths. Please can we ask for a voluntary contribution for swimming of £2 per week per pupil to cover the cost of the bus. This enables us to provide swimming for so many year groups. Please pay on Lunchshop either weekly or £20 for the term. Thank you for your support with this.

## Breakfast and afterschool clubs

Thank you to everyone who has been remembering to book these sessions online, by the Friday before. If you are interested in breakfast or afterschool club, please phone Mrs Riseley at the school office and she will set you up to book and pay on Lunchshop. Breakfast club starts at 8am and costs £2 and afterschool club runs until 4.30pm and costs £5. Children are dropped off and collected at the main school door.

# <u>Garden</u>

We are delighted with our school garden and newly re-surfaced playground. The children have been enjoying some of the new playtime equipment which we have purchased too. We have planted lots of new plants over the summer so we are looking forward to seeing the garden mature over the next year and we will be arranging a plaque in memory of Mrs Jacobs, to be installed.

# Parking and dropping off

A big thank you to all our families who have been avoiding dropping children off on the zigzags outside of school and at the school gate. We know that parking is sometimes difficult and we would encourage families, when possible, to walk or cycle to school. Please can we ask you to be considerate of residents when parking as we have had some complaints about the entrance to the back lanes on the green being blocked.

## School celebrations

We will be holding our usual celebration assembly on Friday and the children will receive certificates to celebrate their amazing work. We will keep you updated of any additional special activities as we organise them. We are hoping to be able to start inviting parents and families back into class assemblies and special events.



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#### Covid 19 arrangements

As you will be aware from the previous letter, arrangements have changed in school this term. We are continuing to encourage high-levels of hygiene with frequent hand-washing, additional cleaning and good ventilation. If someone in your child's class tests positive, you will be notified to look out for symptoms and encouraged to get a PCR test. If your child is a close contact of someone with Covid from out of school, please keep them off school and take them for a PCR test. If it is negative and they have no symptoms, they may return to school. If cases in school rise, we will use our Outbreak Management Plan – see attached information sheet.

#### Afterschool clubs

We will be restarting afterschool curriculum clubs from next week. A separate letter will be sent home about these on Wednesday. Please return the slip to school with any clubs your child wants to attend. A big thank you to staff for providing these additional opportunities for our children.

Thank you for your continuing support,

Best wishes,

Jenny Redhead Head teacher