



# Roby Park Primary School Newsletter

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This week's news...

## Christmas Jumper Exchange



We will be supporting the charity Save the Children, on Thursday 7th December. We appreciate money is tight for everybody so here are a few tips on how we can help one another.

### Christmas Jumper Tips

Children can bring in any jumpers that are not wanted or no longer fit and hang them on the rail in the office which will be available from Monday. These Christmas jumpers are available to **everyone** on a donate what you can (or not at all) basis.

Jazz up your school jumper - make/use decorations that can be pinned onto children's school jumpers, and then removed after the big day.

Christmas t-shirt—use a much cheaper plain t-shirt that can be decorated with marker pens, stickers or glitter.

Keep it in the family - if you can't afford the £2 donation, why not make a £2 donation for your family rather than every child? The £2 is only a suggested donation amount and you can donate less – or not at all – if you need to.

## Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance for week commencing 6.11.23							
Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95%	96.1%	95.5%	97.3%	90.8%	96.6%	97%	98.3%

Punctuality for week commencing: 6.11.23							
Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
5 lates = 58 mins	7 lates = 107 mins	7 lates = 38 mins	4 lates = 75 mins	6 lates = 44 mins	2 lates = 14 mins	7 lates = 129 mins	1 late = 4mins

Whole school attendance has really improved this week to 95.9% this week—please keep it up! Holidays will occur warnings and £120 fine per parent per child. There were 469 minutes of missed learning this week due to poor punctuality which needs to improve. Parents/carers need to make sure their children don't fall behind because they are late. Gates open at 8.40am and learning starts at 8.45am. 31 children from 22 families were late this week which is an improvement from last week. Please ensure your children do not miss out by being early. 10 unauthorised lates in the space of 10 weeks will result in a fixed penalty notice. Please be on time. If your child has repeatedly been late, expect contact from school and potentially a home visit from the Local Authority Attendance Team. If your child is missing school, they are missing out on learning, enrichment experiences and time with their friends which all will have a negative impact upon their wellbeing.

## Parent Governor Ballots

There has been a really good response to our invitation for parent governor nominations and there are four candidates for the vacancy. This means we must now hold a ballot. Letters were sent home on Wednesday regarding how you can vote. Please return completed ballot papers to the office by 3pm this Tuesday. Thank you.



## Men's Mental Health Coffee Morning



Advanced notice for a coffee morning on 30th November just for the men.

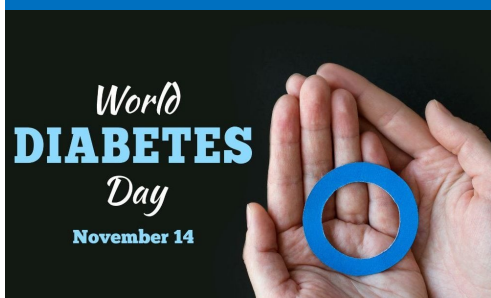
Hosted by Mr Lyon and Mr Swatman this is an opportunity to come in, have a pastry and a coffee and a chat. There will be information available on mental health for yourselves and your children. There is no pressure to discuss your own or your child's mental health at all. We would love to see as many of you there as possible.

## No Mobile Phones on Site

Use of mobile phones are not permitted **anywhere** on our premises, for any reason. Please make sure mobiles are put away before entering and leaving our gates otherwise a member of staff will have to ask you to leave the premises.



## Wear Blue for Diabetes—Tues 14th Nov



World Diabetes Day takes place this Tuesday and we want to mark the occasion in support of members of our school community who lives with diabetes. Children can wear something blue to school and we will be collecting donations to support a fantastic charity, Diabetes UK. To find out more about Diabetes, click [here](#).

## Children in Need—Friday 17th Nov

This Friday, we will be supporting Children in Need as we do every year. Children can come to school wearing yellow, spots and/or Children in Need merchandise. We will be collecting £1 donations for this incredible charity that support children across the UK.

If children do not want to dress up, as always they can wear their own clothes or school uniform.



## Cash 4 Kids Challenge



We are thrilled to have come 2nd in the Cash 4 Kids Schools Challenge resulting in us being awarded £2500 prize money. As a result of our fundraising efforts and prize money, we are able to revamp and overhaul all class libraries with brand new books across all genres. We would like to say a massive thank you to all of our very generous sponsors: Ella Bella's, Enchanted Garden, JFM Workwear, Alpha Taxis, Citrus, Simple Heat, Butterworth Solicitors and Blue Sky Ltd.

## Autumn Term 2 Extra-curricular Clubs

Extra-curricular clubs go live on Parent Booking at 5pm on Saturday. Clubs will not run on the following dates so please make a note before you book: 14th Nov, 24th Nov, 15th Dec, 18th Dec, 21st Dec. Do not book clubs as a form of childcare as this is not their purpose and should a staff member be ill, the club will be cancelled.



## Autumn Uniform Expectations

A polite reminder that your child should be prepared for school and in the correct uniform every day. For Autumn term 1, due to the warmer temperatures, children can return to school in their Summer uniform. All uniform expectations, and school policy, can be found on the website.

## Dates for your diary

Date	Autumn Term 2 Events
6.11.23	Start of term
6.11.23 - 30.11.23	Elite Swimming Lessons (YR - Y6)
6.11.23 - 30.11.23	Men's Mental Health Month
6.11.23	Influenza Immunisations (YN - Y6)
6.11.23	Y3 & Y5 Forest School Sessions
8.11.23	Autumn Progress Meetings @ 3.15 - 7.30pm
9.11.23	Social Media Kindness Day
9.11.23	Armistice Day Service @ 2.45pm
9.11.23	Autumn Progress Meetings @ 3.15 - 7.30pm
10.11.23	Rock Kidz: Self Esteem, Health & Wellbeing Workshops, Dress like a rock star for the day!
13.11.23 - 24.11.23	Switch Off Fortnight
13.11.23 - 17.11.23	Friendship Week
14.11.23	Diabetes Awareness Day (WEAR BLUE)
15.11.23	Y4 & Y5 Forest School Sessions
17.11.23	Children in Need - wear yellow, spots or Children in Need Merchandise
20.11.23 - 24.11.23	Road Safety Week
21.11.23	Send Coffee Morning @ 9.00 - 10.00am
22.11.23	Y1 & Y2 Forest School Sessions
22.11.23	EYFS Open Day @ 1.30 - 2.30pm
24.11.23	Y2 Class Assembly @ 9.00am
29.11.23	YN & Y3 Forest School Sessions
30.11.23	Wellbeing Coffee Morning in the Hub @ 9.00 - 10.00am
1.12.23	Y1 Class Assembly @ 9.00am
4.12.23 - 8.12.23	Christmas Family Dining
6.12.23	YR & Y4 Forest School Sessions
7.12.23	Christmas Jumper Day
8.12.23	Christingle Assembly
12.12.23	EYFS Nativity @ 2.00pm
13.12.23	Y5 & Y6 Forest School Sessions
13.12.23	KSI Nativity @ 2.00pm
14.12.23	KS2 Nativity @ 10.00am and 2.00pm
15.12.23	Christmas Winter Wonderland Event @ 2.00pm
20.12.23	Aladdin Panto @ St Helen's Theatre
21.12.23	Christmas Discos
21.12.23	End of Term @ 1.00pm

**These dates are subject to change so please keep an eye on Class Charts for weekly updates.**



***If your contact details change at any time, please inform the office.  
It is important we can contact you in case of emergencies. We must have TWO emergency contacts per pupil.***

