

Newsletter 20th October 2022



Message from Mrs Bradbury...

Last week, we visited St John's church for our Harvest Festival. This was the first one back at church since the beginning of the pandemic (other services have been in school). In all of the services, the children represented the school extremely well and their singing sounded fabulous. Our Class 1 and 2 children sang 'Big, Red Combine Harvester' with gusto and really enjoyed their first experience of being at church with school. In particular, the behaviour of our KS1 pupils was exemplary



during their service. The KS2 children singing our school song 'Sing' sounded incredible and it was a real goosebump moment. All of the children who did readings and poems performed with confidence. As ever, our families have been so generous in helping others. Thank you to all those who sent in food donations- there were so many tins and packages. Charlie's Panty at Chislett will be delighted to receive all of the items.

This week, Class 14 represented the school at the New York Stadium for the 'Show Racism the Red Card' event. We can't wait for them to share their learning with the rest of the school in an assembly and launch their competition. After half term, they will be holding a poster competition with some of the RUFC goodie bags on offer as prizes.

Last Friday, we celebrated all things maths for our Rockstar day. The children (and staff) loved dressing up and spending the day doing maths related activities. Please encourage your child to build on this positive start and use the TTRockstars website or Numbots for 10 minutes at least 3 times a week to boost their fluency of number facts.



Good luck to our Y6 mixed football team. On Saturday, they will be playing at half time at the New York Stadium. We know that they will do us proud. Thank you to everyone who has already handed in sponsor money. The class winners and grand total will be announced after half term as money is still being handed in.

Parents

Thank you to everyone who attended the virtual or in-person parents' evenings. They have been extremely successful and it was lovely to talk to parents. One of the things requested was a return to some of our in-school parent events. We have acted on this straight way and re-introduced our 'bacon butty mornings'.

Thank you to everyone who has completed the parent questionnaire. We will be analysing the responses after half term and will keep you informed. There is still time to submit a response to the questions if you haven't had chance yet.

Bacon Butty Morning

On Friday 11th November 2022, we will be holding a bacon butty morning. It is a chance for children and parents to get together and other local services will be available to talk to in the hall.

Available Bacon butty Egg butty Quorn sausage butty Hot drinks and juice Butties will be available in the dining hall from 8:30 – 9:15.



Parents and carers need to enter school via the main entrance and bring the children to the hall to queue for the butties. Tables will be available to sit and eat at.

£1.50 for a butty and a drink. Please bring the correct change.

NB: Children who are booked to attend Breakfast Club on this day will be able to buy their butty earlier at a reduced cost of £1 and can be left without an adult as usual.

Pumpkin Carving Competition

On Monday 31st October, the children return after the half term break.

On this day, we invite all children to enter our pumpkin carving/decorating competition. Bring your decorated pumpkin to school (labelled with your name) and

you may be able to win a prize for your creativity. The designs can have any theme and don't need to be spooky. There is no charge to enter this competition. We can't wait to see what you create over the half term break.



Rainbow Club - After School Childcare

Our after-school childcare facility is officially open. If you require a place, please see or email the school office for further details.



Home time – 4:30 £5.50 per child, per day includes a snack e.g. toast Home time – 5:30 £10 per child, per day includes a snack e.g. beans on toast The facility will run from our Early Years building throughout term time.

After School Clubs for next Half Term

Monday	Nova City Cheerleading Y5/Y6 – until 4:15
Tuesday	Boys Football Y4/Y5 – until 4:30 Gardening Y5/Y6 – until 4:30
Wednesday	
Thursday	RUFC KS2 Girls Football – until 4:15 Choir KS2 - until 4:00
Friday	Boys Football Y2/Y3 – until 4:30

Artist Visit

As you will know from the calendar section of the newsletter, on Tuesday the 1st of November an artist will be coming into school to work outside with the children. The children will need a coat and wellies/ old shoes.

Older children will be creating art in the local park/ woods. Younger children will be creating art within the school grounds. We are really excited to see what they will create.



Key Dates (new or changed items are in a colour)

21 st October	Break up for half term- Non Uniform day
31 st October	Back to school on this day- Pumpkin Competition!
1 st November	Artist in school – children will need wellies/ old shoes
	and a coat
11 th November	Bacon Butty morning 8:30-9:15
18 th November	Children in Need
2 nd December	Christmas Dinner Day (Wear Christmas Jumpers)
December	Christmas Parties TBC
5 th – 9 th December	Christmas Concerts

December	Pantomime visits
16 th December	Break up for Christmas
	Christmas Break
3 rd January 2023	INSET day
4 th January	Children return to school
13 th January	Bacon Butty Morning
10 th February	Break up for half term – Creative day (messy clothes needed)
20 th February	Return to school
1 st March	Parents' Evening (remote option available on another
	date)
3 rd March	World Book Day Celebration – Wear pyjamas
10 th – 17 th March	Science Week
31 st March	Break up for Easter – Non Uniform Day
	Easter Break
17 th March	Back to school after Easter
28 th April	Bacon Butty Morning
1 st May	May day – School closed
26 th May	Break up for Spring bank holiday
5 th June	INSET day
6 th June	Return to school
16 th June	Bacon Butty Morning
23 rd June	Sports day
30 th June	Y6 Leaving Assembly – parents/carers of Y6 pupils invited to watch
3- 7 th July	Y6 residential (over 3 different days in two classes)
10 th July	Y6 children begin Winterhill/ Wingfield
20 th February 1 st March 3^{rd} March $10^{th} - 17^{th}$ March 31^{st} March 17^{th} March 28^{th} April 1^{st} May 26^{th} May 26^{th} May 5^{th} June 6^{th} June 30^{th} June $3-7^{th}$ July	needed) Return to school Parents' Evening (remote option available on anothed date) World Book Day Celebration – Wear pyjamas Science Week Break up for Easter – Non Uniform Day Easter Break Back to school after Easter Bacon Butty Morning May day – School closed Break up for Spring bank holiday INSET day Return to school Bacon Butty Morning Sports day Y6 Leaving Assembly – parents/carers of Y6 pupils invited to watch Y6 residential (over 3 different days in two classes)