

Roberttown CE (VC) J&I School Weekly Newsletter



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Dear Parent/Carer

Newsletter Attachments

Please note the following will be emailed as an attachment, available on ParentMail or a paper copy will be sent home with the relevant year groups or individuals:

- Y6 'Rewind to Christmas' permission form (Parentmail)
- Big Dog & Lupus 'Cosy Read' (Parentmail)
- Roberttown Pop Choir (e-mail)
- Makaton Christmas Family Sign-A-Long (e-mail)
- Christmas Holiday Camps (e-mail)

Staff Update

Mrs Ball and Miss Cooper are currently absent from school. The office is being covered by Mrs Walsh and Mrs Harley, a supply business support officer.

Tempest Photograph Orders

Photograph orders have been sent home last week with the children. If you have not received your order, please contact the school office.

Y5/6 Huddersfield Town Football Tournament

Thank you to our Y5/6 team, Oliver Binns, Finnley Frankland, Alex Garcia, Marcus Garcia, Macy Weathers, Benjamin Leach, James Leach and Jack Holmes for representing the school and who very much enjoyed the tournament yesterday.

Spensorborough Co-operative Trust 'Carol Concert'

Well done to all the children who sang at the Trust Carol Concert on Tuesday night. It was a great success and was enjoyed by all. Thank you to Mrs Bordman and Mrs McKechine for giving their time.

Christmas Fayre – Tomorrow, Friday 6th December from 3.25pm

Thank you for all the chocolate received for non-uniform day and donations for the Christmas Fayre. Our Christmas Fayre will be held tomorrow on Friday 6th December. The doors will be open from 3.25pm to allow staff time to see the children out of school. Please enter school through the main entrance or the Y3/4 door. The fayre will close at 5pm. **Entry is 50p for adults and older children.** Pupils of the school and pre-school children are admitted free of charge.

There will be a variety of stalls at the Christmas Fayre. We would greatly appreciate donations of raffle prizes, bottles for the Bottle Stall (wine, squash, bubble bath, sauce etc.), gifts for the tombola stall, cuddly toys, books and toys, items for the White Elephant stall, cakes and buns (on the morning of the fayre please). We will also be running our Mystery Bag stall again and empty plastic cups are available for the children to take home and fill for this. **We still urgently need volunteers to help us to set up for the Fayre and run the stalls.** If you are able to help please contact the office. Thank you.

No After School Clubs – Tomorrow, Friday 6th December

Please note there will be no After School Clubs on tomorrow, Friday 6th December, due to the Christmas Fayre. Rascals After School Club will be open as normal.

Christmas Post – starts Monday 9th December

Each year the children in Year 6 deliver Christmas cards to each class. If your child would like to send Christmas cards to their classmates, children in other classes, or staff, they will be able to post them in the post box in the school hall. Please ensure that all cards are **named in full** with the recipients **class name**

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so that they can be delivered to the person they are intended for. The Christmas Post will run **until Wednesday 18th December**. **Please do not send in any cards in before 09th December**. Thank you.

Y1/2 Nativity 'The Inn-spectors' Dress Rehearsal – Monday 9th December

Y1 should wear a plain, black T-shirt and black school trousers or leggings. Y2 will have costumes in school. All the children will be performing in bare feet.

Y1/Y2 Nativity – Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th December

Tickets will be sent home this week. Please speak to the school office if you don't receive your tickets.

Arrangements for the Y1/2 Evening Nativity performance on Wednesday 11th December

The children will need to arrive at school for **6.15pm** in order to get changed and ready for the performance at **6.30pm**. Please do not come early as the doors will not be open before this time. **Please bring your child to Miss Haque's classroom door**. After taking your children to the classroom door, please enter school by the **main entrance**.

The performance is expected to finish at approximately **7.15pm**. Unfortunately, due to fire regulations if you do not have a ticket for the evening performance you will not be able to stay and watch. After the performance **Y1 children can be collected from Mrs Haque's classroom and Y2 children from Miss Wiles' classroom**.

Y5/6 Spen Valley Area Sports Hall Athletics Qualifier – Wednesday 11th December

A team of Y5/6 children will be taking part in the Sports Hall Athletics qualifier at Leeds Road Sports Barn during the morning of Wednesday 11th December. **The children involved will have received a parent mail to complete by today, Thursday 5th December**. The children will need their PE kits, trainers and plenty of water to drink (no glass bottles please).

Half Term Superstars Collective Worship – Wednesday 11th December at 2.45pm

A reminder that our Half Term Superstars Collective Worship will be held at 2.45pm next Wednesday. **Please note there will be no Celebration Collective Worship on Wednesday 18th December due to the Christmas Parties**. Please do let any grandparents who may attend know.

Y6 'Rewind to Christmas' at Headlands School – Thursday 12th December

As part of their work in RE and PSHCE, and as a church school, we have arranged for the children in Y6 to visit Headlands School during the morning of Thursday 12th December. The children will take part in a variety of activities along with children from other schools. The activities explore the Christian festival of Christmas. The children will walk to and from the event accompanied by school staff and will return in time for lunch. **Please complete the permission form on ParentMail by Monday 09th December**.

Big Dog & Lupus 'Cosy Read' – Thursday 12th December

Big Dog and Lupus would like to invite their parents to a cosy reading afternoon on Thursday 12th December at 2.45pm – 3.15pm. The children can bring pyjamas in a carrier bag to get changed into before parents come into the classroom. It will give children and parents an opportunity to sit down together at the end of the day and enjoy a book together. **Parents will be able to book a place via parentmail, please complete the form by Friday 6th December**.

Reception Year Group Nativity – Friday 13th December at 2pm

The Reception children in Little Bear and Big Bear classes will be taking part in their own Nativity. The performance is on Friday 13th December at 2pm. Due to space in the hall only **2 tickets per family** will be available. **Young children are welcome at the performance but do require a ticket**. Refreshments will be served on arrival. Tickets will be sent home this week.

Recordings of School Performances / Photos

Under the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) we are required to ask for your permission to include your child in recordings of performances in school. These recordings may be reproduced for parents to obtain.

A reminder that you are not allowed to video or photograph the performances due to copyright. Mobile phones must not be used in school, or in the school grounds. Photographs of the children will be on display in the hall for you to order at £1 per copy. Any photographs you purchase are for personal use only and should not be put on the internet or on any social networking site. We are grateful for your co-operation.

Music Lessons during w/c 16th December

Musica Kirklees have advised us that due to staff involvement with recitals there will be **no Whole Class Brass** lessons during the last week of term. Some individual music lessons may still be held and the music teachers will advise the pupils taking lessons directly.

Christmas Parties

Our Christmas Parties will take place as follows:

- **Tuesday 17th December – Reception, Y1 & 2, Y3 & 4**
- **Wednesday 18th December – Befrienders , Year 5 & 6**

A letter explaining the arrangements and requesting party food donations will be sent home with each child during next week. Please send any donations in on the day of the party. Food will be provided for the Befrienders party. **Please note that as food is donated, we cannot guarantee that it is nut free. If your child suffers from any allergy or has a relevant health care plan in place that may prevent them eating the food available, please contact your child's class teacher. It may be necessary to make arrangements to bring food in for your child.**

Milk for Children in Reception, Y1 & Y2 – Order on ParentPay by Wednesday 18th December

A reminder that if you would like your child to have milk next term (**£11.50**) you will need to pay via ParentPay by **Wednesday 18th December and ensure that you have ticked the consent box** . You will be unable to order it after this date. If your child is entitled to free school meals they are also entitled to free milk and this will be automatically ordered for your child. **Reception children** who have their fifth birthday before **31st March 2020** will have to pay for their milk. If their 5th birthday falls between **1st April and 31st August 2020** their milk will be **free** - please let the office know if this is the case. Thank you.

Milk and Fruit for children in Y3, 4, 5 & 6 – Order on ParentPay by Wednesday 18th December

A reminder that milk and fruit is now offered to all the children in KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6). The cost for the spring term is **£11.50 for milk and £8.32 for a portion of fruit each day**. If you would like your child to have milk and/or fruit for next term **please pay on ParentPay before Wednesday 18th December**. You will be unable to order after this date. If your child is entitled to free school meals (income related) they are also entitled to free milk. If you think your child could be entitled to income related free milk please contact the office for further information on how to apply.

Collection of Library Books before the end of term

On Friday 13th and 20th December we will be collecting in library and guided reading books. Please take the opportunity to have a look on your bookshelves and return any books you may have to school.

Term Time Wear Uniform Order – Deadline Friday 13th December

Term Time Wear will be collecting orders from school for delivery in January. If you would like to place an order please collect a form from the school office or download a copy from the school website. Please return your orders to school by **Friday 13th December. The order will be delivered on Monday 6th January**. Reception children will need a PE kit after the Christmas break.

Collective Worship Values

This year our questions will changing every two weeks. Our value for this term is **Peace** and our question for the next two weeks is: **What is the best way of achieving peace?**

Forthcoming Events...

Friday	06.12.19	Y5 Draco Class Collective Worship at 9am
Friday	06.12.19	Christmas Fayre 3.25pm – 5pm
Friday	06.12.19	*** No After School Clubs due to Christmas Fayre Rascals open as normal ***
Monday	09.12.19	Christmas Post starts today
Monday	09.12.19	Y1 & 2 Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday	10.12.19	Y1 & 2 Nativity at 1.45pm
Wednesday	11.12.19	Half Term Superstars Collective Worship at 2.45pm
Wednesday	11.12.19	Y1 & 2 Nativity at 6.30pm

Wednesday	11.12.19	Y5/6 Sports Hall Athletics – see letter sent out
Friday	13.12.19	Reception Year Group Nativity at 2pm – further details to follow
Friday	13.12.19	Music Collective Worship at 9am

Yours sincerely,
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