

# Roberttown CE (VC) J&I School Weekly Newsletter



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Dear Parent/Carer,

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:

- Updated Events List for the Autumn Term (email)
- Scholastic Book Fair leaflet (paper)
- KS2 Cross Country Final permission form (ParentMail)
- Spensborough Co-operative Trust Car Boot Sale flyer (email)
- Reception – Y2 Colgate sample pack
- Dewsbury Arts Group 'Aladdin' flyer (email)
- Timestep 'Buggy Movers' flyer (email)

## Health and Safety

For the safety of all children and parents, please do not walk down through the car park from Church Road to get to the main entrance. If you need to avoid the steps because you have a pram or buggy, please go through the ball court and the Reception playground gates. We often have delivery vans coming into the car park and staff arrive and leave at various times throughout the day. Thank you for your co-operation.

## Updated Events List

Please find attached an updated Events List for the autumn term with amendments and additions highlighted in *red*. A copy will also be uploaded to the website.

## Harvest Festival – All Saints' Church, Roberttown

**Practice (Y1-6) – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October**

**KS1 (Y1 & 2) – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 1.30pm**

**KS2 (Y3, 4, 5 & 6) – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 1.30pm**

A reminder that our Harvest Appeal once again has a local focus and we are supporting the Salvation Army and Batley Food Bank. **We will be collecting gifts of fresh fruit, vegetables and tinned goods. Please send these into school on the day of your child's visit to church.** The children will be **carrying their harvest gifts** to display in the church on the day of their visit.

We are inviting you to nominate someone to receive a harvest gift. This could be an elderly relative or neighbour. Please do check with them that they would be happy to receive a harvest gift first. Please send a note into school with the person's details if you would like to nominate someone. The gift will be a selection of goods and can be delivered personally by yourself to your nominated person. Any gifts remaining will be distributed to the Salvation Army and Batley Food Bank.

Parents are invited to attend the harvest services but there is limited space available. Pre-school children are welcome but will need to be able to watch quietly and not disrupt the service. If they do become upset please do take them out as it can become very difficult for other children and parents to hear the service.

If you are attending either service you may take your child straight home after collecting them from their class teacher, outside the church. **No child will be allowed to go home with anyone other than a parent unless we have prior notification.** The children not collected by parents will be walked back to school to go home at the normal time.

**If your child brings a packed lunch to school and you intend to pick them up from church, please send it in a carrier bag so it can be disposed of.** The children will not be taking their lunch boxes or book bags to church.

Please ensure that your child has a **waterproof coat in school on the days of their visits** as they will be walking to and from church.

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## New Events...

### **Scholastic Book Fair – Arrives tomorrow! Please see the leaflet sent home today**

The Book Fair will be in school from tomorrow, **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October until Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October**. The books will be on display from **3.15pm until 3.45pm in R/Y1 Mrs Horner's classroom**. **Please enter through the main entrance**. The children will also be able to visit the Book Fair during morning playtime from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October and items will be available for them to buy.

All purchases help to support our school with free books. Everyone who buys a book will be given a raffle ticket to be entered into a draw to win one of five book tokens worth £5 each. The draw will take place next Thursday. Parents and carers will be able to make payment by card at the Book Fair by calling a secure payment line from their mobile. Details will be able from the staff member running the Fair.

### **KS2 Cross Country Final – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October – ParentMail**

Well done to all the children who took part in last week's qualifier. Congratulations to the Y4 Boys' Team (Oliver Binns, Harrison Cockerill, Noah Holdsworth and Leo Hoole) and to Lexi Mortimer (Y5) and Sam Lowe (Y6) who have qualified as individuals. Further details about the event and a permission form will be issued today. **Please complete the permission form by tomorrow, Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October**.

### **Y3/4 Stone Age Activity Day – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

As part of their work in History, next Friday the children in Y3 and Y4 will be taking part in a 'History to Life' Stone Age workshop. They will be looking at a range of artefacts from the period to enhance their historical understanding. They will use what they have learned as a stimulus for their writing and art.

## Information...

### **Head Lice**

Head lice have been reported in Y3 & Y4 and leaflets have been sent home with the children. Please do be vigilant at home by carrying out regular detection combing and treating hair where necessary as this helps to reduce the spread of lice.

### **Outstanding payments for School Meals, Breakfast Club and Rascals on ParentPay**

We are grateful to those who make regular payments in advance but an increasing amount of office time is being spent chasing outstanding payments. Please ensure that your ParentPay account is up to date with payments for the above. **Payments should always be made in advance to ensure that your account is not in arrears**. This includes childcare voucher payments.

As per our Breakfast Club and Rascals policy, if your account falls into arrears your bookings will be withdrawn. We have also been instructed by Kirklees Council to withdraw School Meals for accounts in arrears over a certain level. You can set up a low balance alert in your ParentPay settings as a reminder to top up your payments. You can find our Breakfast Club and Rascals policy on our website.

### **Family Service at All Saints' Church, Roberttown – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 10am**

A Harvest themed Family Service will be held at All Saints' Church on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October. There will be a number of activities for the children. Please bring along a tin or 2 to be donated to Batley Food Bank. Everyone is welcome.

### **Spenborough Co-operative Trust Car Boot Sale – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 9am – 12noon**

A reminder that a car boot sale to raise funds for the Spenborough Co-operative Trust has been arranged for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October at Spen Valley High School. For more information or to book a place please see the attached flyer or contact [sbreeze@spenvalleyhighschool.co.uk](mailto:sbreeze@spenvalleyhighschool.co.uk)

### **All Saints' Church – 'Teatime Tales' monthly after school session being launched on 17<sup>th</sup> October**

Rev'd Stephen Rochell will be leading a new and exciting monthly story time session for primary aged children, starting on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October**. The sessions will run from **3.30-4pm**. Parents and carers will be able to have a cup of tea or coffee while the children learn about well-known bible stories through song, interactive storytelling and prayer. Sessions will take place on the third Wednesday of each month in term-time and everyone is welcome.

If anyone has any cushions or bean bags that they are able to donate for the children to sit on these would be much appreciated. Please contact Mrs Stanley in the school office who will pass these along.

## Forthcoming Events...

Friday	5.10.18	Book Fair in school until Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> October - <b>visit from 3.15-3.45pm through the main entrance</b>
Friday	5.10.18	Befrienders Collective Worship at 9am
Sunday	7.10.18	Spensborough Co-operative Trust Car Boot Sale at Spens Valley High School 9am
Monday	8.10.18	Harvest Service practice at All Saints' Church during the afternoon
Tuesday	9.10.18	New Admissions Open Morning 9.30am – 12noon (for 2019 entry)
Tuesday	9.10.18	KS2 Kirklees Cross Country Finals
Tuesday	9.10.18	Y1/2 Harvest Service at All Saints Church at 1.30pm
Thursday	11.10.18	KS2 Harvest Service at All Saints' Church at 1.30pm
Friday	12.10.18	Y3/4 Stone Age Activity Day
Friday	12.10.18	Y6 Lucy Pittaway Class Collective Worship at 9am

Yours sincerely,

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