

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:

- After School Club List for Spring Term (email) – to follow
- Y6 visit to the Spen Valley High School Christmas Show (ParentMail) – to follow
- Christmas Party letters (paper) – to follow next week
- December 'What's On in our local churches' flyer (email)
- Digital Parenting Magazine (paper)

Staffing Update

We are pleased to tell you that Mrs Anna Walsh has been appointed as Lunchtime Supervisor. Mrs Walsh joined us this week. We hope you will join us in giving her a warm welcome.

We are sorry to tell you that Mrs Stanley, Business Support Officer, will be leaving us at Christmas to take up a post in the office at Littleton School. We thank her for all her hard work and her contribution to our school.

Occasionally we need cover for Lunchtime Supervisors on a casual basis. If you, or anyone you know is interested please contact the office for more information.

Y5/6 Spenborough Schools Sports Hall Athletics Qualifier

Congratulations to our Y5/6 team - Carley Brame, George Driver, Alex Garcia, Llana Green, Sam Griffith, Jack Holmes, Cody Lister, Sam Lowe, Ewan Manton, Lexi Mortimer, Lucie Overend, Amelia Saville, Ava Smith, Lily Smith, Eden Watson, Oliver Webster, Joe Windle and Neve Wood, who finished in **1st place** at yesterday's Sports Hall Athletics Qualifier. They will now progress to the Final in February.

Spenborough 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 Mott for giving their time. Thank you also to everyone who made a donation to the charity nominated by the pupils from our Trust Parliament. '**Young Minds**' will be receiving a cheque for **£323.78** from the Trust.

Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Poppy Appeal. You raised **£261.10** For the Royal British Legion.

No After School Clubs tomorrow, Friday 7th December

Please note there will be no After School Clubs tomorrow, Friday 7th December, due to the Christmas Fayre. Rascals After School Club will be open as normal.

Christmas Fayre tomorrow - Friday 7th December from 3.25-pm

To ease congestion tomorrow you may enter school through the **main** entrance or the **Y3/4 door**. **The children in Year 3 and Year 4 will leave school through the Year 5 and Year 6 classrooms. Donations of cakes and buns will be gratefully received tomorrow morning.** Thank you for all the chocolate donations sent in this week. They will be sold on a stall at the Christmas Fayre tomorrow.

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.

New Events...

After School Clubs – Spring Term – Book via ParentPay from 6pm on Monday 10th December

A list of the After School Clubs that we will be running from January to Easter 2019 will be emailed to parents tomorrow. The list is not a booking form – please book and pay on ParentPay. **The clubs will be made available to book on ParentPay after 6pm on Monday 10th December.** Families in receipt of certain benefits are eligible to attend 2 extra-curricular after school clubs free of charge. For more information please speak to the office staff.

In order to encourage our children to take part in a range of sporting activities we will be continuing to use some of our Sports Premium funding to subsidise the cost of our Fit for Life and Multi-Skills clubs. The cost for these clubs will be 50p for the whole term.

Y1 & 2 Nativity Dress Rehearsal – Monday 10th December

The children in Y1/2 have already received paper slips with details of their costumes for the performances. Y1 should wear a plain, coloured T-shirt and black school trousers or leggings. Y2 will have costumes in school. All the children will be performing in bare feet.

Y2 Parents' Evening Booking Form – Available on ParentMail

Parents' Evening for the children in Y2 whose appointments were previously cancelled will be held from **3.20pm to 5.20pm on Monday 10th December.** If you have not already booked your appointment, please book via ParentMail. If you have any problems booking an appointment please contact the office.

Half Term Superstars Collective Worship – Wednesday 12th 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 19th December due to the Christmas Parties.** Please do let any grandparents who may attend know.

Arrangements for the Y1/2 Evening Nativity performance on Wednesday 12th 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 Mrs Horner'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 Horner's classroom** and **Y2 children from Miss Wiles' classroom**.

Photos and videos at the Reception and Y1/2 Nativity performances

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.

Collection of Library Books before the end of term

On Friday 14th and Thursday 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.

Music Lessons during w/c 17th 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. There will also be **no PBone Club** on Tuesday 18th December. Some individual music lessons may still be held and the music teachers will advise the pupils taking lessons directly.

Y6 visit to the Spen Valley High School Christmas Show, Tuesday 18th December – ParentMail

Y6 have been invited to watch a Christmas performance at Spen Valley High School during the morning of Tuesday 18th December. **They will need a packed lunch to eat on their return to school.** Further details and a permission form will be issued via ParentMail. **Please complete the permission form by Friday 14th December.**

Christmas Parties

The Christmas Parties will take place as follows:

- **Tuesday 18th December – Reception, Y1 & 2, Y3 & 4**
- **Wednesday 19th December – Befrienders , Year 5 & 6**

A letter explaining the arrangements and requesting party food donations will be sent home with your child 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.**

'Musical Theatre' After School Club performance – Wednesday 19th December at 3.40pm

The children in our Musical Theatre After School Club have been working hard on their Christmas routine. They will perform this for parents and carers in the hall on Wednesday 19th December at 3.40pm. Please come to the main entrance. We hope you will enjoy the performance! Please collect your child from the Y1/2 classroom door as usual at 4pm after the performance. **Please do not take any personal videos or photographs during the performance.** The performance will be filmed and made available to parents via a download link before we break up for Christmas.

Milk for Children in Reception, Y1 & Y2 – Order on ParentPay by Wednesday 19th 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 19th 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 2019** will have to pay for their milk. If their 5th birthday falls between **1st April and 31st August 2019** 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 19th 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 £8.75 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 19th 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.

Information...

Term Time Wear Uniform Order – Deadline Friday 14th 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 14th December. The order will be delivered on Monday 7th January.**

Dinner Money – Spring Term

The price of a school meal is **£2.20 per day or £11 per full week**. Please pay through ParentPay. Please note that payments should be in advance and not in arrears. A considerable amount of time is taken chasing outstanding debts. You can set up a low balance alert in ParentPay as a reminder to top up your payments.

Please note - if your child is changing from sandwiches to school lunches or vice versa, you will need to complete a School Meal Changes Form indicating any allergies your child may have. 2 weeks' notice is required.

Wednesday and Friday Lunch Club

Next term we are continuing to offer **Wednesday and Friday lunch club**. If you would like to book either or both lunch clubs you will need to book by **Friday of the previous week**. Bookings for the first week back in January need to be made by **Friday 21st December**. Please pay by ParentPay, using the notes box to indicate the days you are booking for.

Kirklees Rebound Trampoline Club Fundraiser – Sunday 9th December from 1-4pm

A fundraising event will take place this Sunday afternoon at the Kirklees Rebound Trampoline Club, Huddersfield Leisure Centre. Entry is £2 per person and guests will be able to watch a performance showcasing the skills and abilities of the members. There will be a cake stall, tombola and raffle. There will also be an opportunity to participate in a conditioning session and have a bounce on the trampolines. Everyone is welcome.

Forthcoming Events...

Friday	7.12.18	Y1 Henry Moore Class Collective Worship at 9am
Friday	7.12.18	Y6 Rewind to Christmas
Friday	7.12.18	Christmas Fayre 3.25pm to 5pm - 50p entry for adults and older children
Friday	7.12.18	*** No After School Clubs due to Christmas Fayre Rascals open as normal ***
Monday	10.12.18	Christmas Post starts today
Monday	10.12.18	Y1 & 2 Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday	11.12.18	Y1 & 2 Nativity at 1.45pm
Wednesday	12.12.18	Half Term Superstars Collective Worship at 2.45pm
Wednesday	12.12.18	Y1 & 2 Nativity at 6.30pm
Thursday	13.12.18	Y6 singing at All Saints' Church Christmas Lunch
Friday	14.12.18	Music Collective Worship at 9am
Friday	14.12.18	Reception Year Group Nativity at 2pm

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J S Laycock-Smith,
Head Teacher.