

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had a fantastic start to the new year. There is lots of wonderful work about and enthusiasm for the new topics being taught throughout the school.

We have many new children who have joined our school, I hope they are all settling in and feel like part of our school, making friends and enjoying their learning.

I would like to invite you to attend the 'meet the teacher' sessions and hope this will give you the information you need to support your child's learning. If you are unable to attend and would like the information, please speak to your child's class teacher. The dates for each year group are on the school calendar.

Best Wishes,
Mrs Jerrom

Family Fun Day

The Friends of Rose Hill Parks are holding a Fun Day on Saturday 23rd September, 11am to 4pm, in Rose Hill Park West (tennis centre park) SM1 3HH. Fun for all the family with a bouncy castle, face painting, a teddy bear tombola, craft and toy stalls, entertainment, free circus workshops and many other free activities. Entry is free. If you have a pet dog, you can enter him/her into the Family Dog Show to raise money for the rescue charity, Paws2Rescue. Categories include Cutest Puppy, Best Child Handler, Waggiest Tail and Best Oldie at £2 per category.

To find out more, see our website e-voice.org.uk/forp. Hope to see you there.

Headteacher Awards

Well done to the children who worked so hard to achieve their awards.

Connor Y3 - For fantastic caption writing
Harvey-Lee Y6 - For great effort with his reading and grammar.



Jewellery during PE & Swimming

Please remember children are not allowed to wear any form of jewellery during PE or swimming lessons. This is due to health and safety reasons. IF children are wearing earrings to school, these must be a plain silver or gold stud in line with the uniform policy. Additionally, trainers are not part of the school uniform policy and are therefore only allowed to be worn as part of the PE kit on PE days.

Fundraising

On the 18th September, Esme from Toucan class in year 5 will be cutting over 12 inches of her hair off to donate to the Little Princess Trust! The Little Princess Trust provides real hair wigs, free of charge, to children and young people who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment or to other conditions such as Alopecia. The charity is also one of the largest funders of childhood cancer research in the UK.



Please follow the link below or scan the QR code to donate

https://www.justgiving.com/page/alice-garrigan-1693476037325?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Falice-garrigan-1693476037325&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share



Dates for your Diary

Tues 19th Sept - Y6 Meet the Teacher
Thurs 21st Sept - Y4 Meet the Teacher
Fri 22nd Sept - Y3 Meet the Teacher
Mon 25th Sept - Y2 Meet the Teacher
Mon 25th Sept - Y4 trip to British Museum

Tues 26th Sept - Y1 Meet the Teacher
Wed 27th Sept - Reception Meet the Teacher
Thurs 28th Sept - Nursery Meet the Teacher
Fri 29th Sept - Y5 Meet the Teacher
Thurs 5th Oct - Y6 Height and Weight check
Fri 20th Oct - Break up for half term

Foundation Stage

It has been a busy week in both Nursery and Reception. We have had quite a few new children start with us who have settled in really well and it has been lovely to see the returning children from Nursery. This week the children have enjoyed singing lots of Nursery rhymes and reading lots of stories. The children have been painting and creating collages during their day.

Don't forget in Reception pick up on Monday is 1pm and from Tuesday the children finish normal time which is 3:15pm. Please remind your child this.

Miss Digman

World Food Recipes

Please remember to submit your recipes from around the world to the office email address. Last term we had some delicious recipes emailed over that we were able to share with you all and it would be lovely to be able to do the same this term!

UKS2 News (Years 5 and 6)

Year 5 have made a wonderful start to the year - especially Toucan Class, who have coped admirably well without Mr Onyskiw! Having moved into the first full week of term, the children are working in earnest in all areas of the curriculum and they have made a mature transition into Upper Key Stage 2. We have begun our brand new topic 'Dynamic Dynasties', so be sure to ask them about it. Please urge your children to read every night and begin to carry out homework tasks.

Y6 have settled in well to their new roles as the oldest in the school. We started the first full week with a bang as the children have been completing assessments. They have started their new topic of 'Maffa' and started looking at the new book 'Freedom'. Children received homework for the first time this week which is due in on Monday along with the expectation of daily reading also.

Mrs McLean

LKS2 News

The year 4's have made a great start to their Invasion. They have enjoyed finding out about the different people that invaded Britain and where they came from. In Art the children have started to learn about weaving and practised doing their own patterns with coloured paper.



Year 3 have enjoyed their first few lessons in their 'Through the Ages' topic. They have started reading Stig of the Dump and have learnt about the people and tools of the Stone Age.



Mrs Iraola

KS1 News (Years 1 & 2)

Year 2 have started their new topic 'Movers and Shakers'. It focuses on historically significant people who have made an impact on the world. During the topic the children will learn to use timelines, stories and historical sources to find out about the people. So far they have been learning about Gandhi.

Year 1 have been making the adjustment from Early Years into Year 1. They are due to start their new topic 'Childhood' where they will be learning about everyday life and families today then making comparisons with childhood in the 1950s. In art they will be learning about primary colours and how to make secondary colours.

Miss Thirtle



Details of our policies and procedures can be found on our website Including Data Protection and our Privacy Notice. If you would like a hard copy, please contact the School Office.

Absence Request Forms

Absence request forms are now available from the school office. If you are requesting time off for your child during term time then this form needs to be completed and handed in to the office. Authorisation will only be given for requests of absence due to exceptional circumstances.

Jane Barbury

Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school or nursery when they're unwell. The link below will give you an indication on whether you should send your child into school or keep them at home.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

If you do decide to keep your child at home, please remember that you must call the school office to let us know that they will not be in and give us a reason.

Sports News

Children in Year 3 were lucky enough to have a visit from the new Crystal Palace player Rob Holding on Wednesday afternoon. They had the opportunity to ask Rob questions and have some pictures with him. Thank you to the Palace for Life foundation for organising this.



We have lots of sports clubs starting at Tweeddale next week. There is boys and girls football (teams represent the school), football through our Crystal Palace coach, tennis and curling! Make sure you keep a look out for more letters about future clubs!

Mrs McLean

School Term and Holiday Dates for the 2023/24 Academic Year

AUTUMN TERM

School Holiday

Monday 4th September - Friday 20th October

Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October

Monday 30th October - Thursday 21st December

School Holiday

Friday 22nd December - Friday 5th January

SPRING TERM

School Holiday

Monday 8th January - Friday 9th February

Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February

Monday 19th February - Thursday 28th March

School Holiday

Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April

SUMMER TERM

School Holiday

Monday 15th April - Friday 24th May

Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

Monday 3rd June - Wednesday 24th July

INSET DAYS

Monday 4th September

Tuesday 5th September

Monday 8th January

Wednesday 24th July

There will be an additional **two** inset days which have yet to be announced and will be communicated in due course.