

# Romanby Primary School Newsletter

9<sup>th</sup> June 2023

We hope that everyone had a good half term holiday and is enjoying the better weather. This half term is looking busy with lots of events going on in school. Please check the dates on the calendar and look out for more details being sent out nearer to each event. A number of the events will give parents the opportunity to come into school and see the work being done by the children. We are also looking forward to welcoming everyone to our sports afternoons that will run from 1.30pm until 3.15 pm.

Thank you to those people who completed our online parent questionnaire. We will be using the responses to inform some changes to the way we work next year. One change we will be making from September will be to the length of the school day. This follows government guidance that expects all mainstream state-funded schools to work towards a minimum school week length of 32.5 hours.

To meet this expectation, we will change the end of the school day for EYFS and KS1 to 3.25pm. This will mean that for all children the school day will be 8.50am until 3.25pm.

Breakfast and after-school clubs will be available as usual – their times will be altered to reflect the changes.

## Attendance

Our attendance rate has dropped a little to 95.7%. Although this is still better than the current national average we aim to be over 96% for the year. Please remember that unless there are exceptional circumstances, holidays in term time cannot be authorised.

## Attendance Matters



## Tchoukball



Just before half term a number of children in Year 3 took part in some Tchoukball training with our local school sport coordinator Mr Burgess. They worked really well together and enjoyed learning a new sport!

## Music for Life

Thanks to the efforts of the Sowerby Music Group and a donation from the Friends of Romanby School, we were once again able to take part in the Music for Life Programme.

This year we had a visit from a trio of musicians who gave a whole school performance and then led workshops for the children in Year 4.

The children then shared their work with the everyone at the end of the school day. Take a look at their performance on our Facebook page.



## Y5/6 Careers event



A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Y5/6 careers morning. This was the first time that we have organised such an event and it proved to be really successful. The children found it really interesting and we had some very positive feedback from the presenters who also enjoyed it.

*"I'd like to say what a lovely morning I had yesterday at Romanby Primary School's careers event!*

*The children were so well prepared and engaged, the questions they asked and the level of interest shown was absolutely outstanding - using vocabulary in their questions such as - inspiring, guidance, engagement, challenging. Very impressive and lovely to see such levels of confidence."*

## FoRS

Thank you everyone who attended the disco's just before the half term break. A total of £689.06 was raised which will go towards making improvements to the outdoor environment of school.

☀ Romanby School Summer Fair

☀ 30th of June

☀ 4pm-7pm

This is usually the biggest fundraiser of the year but for it to be a success we need your help!

Y6 will be there doing their fantastic enterprise stalls.

FoRS need adult helpers to run the bar, food stalls and entrance.

Would you be able to do a 30/60 minute stint on a stall?

We will create a rota so all volunteers can also enjoy the evening with their families.

If you can help please email us on [friendsofromanbysch@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofromanbysch@gmail.com) or via the Facebook post with the times that suit you.

## Raffle Prize Donations

Each class has been assigned a colour to create a hamper to be raffled off at the summer fair. Please could children start bringing in donations for their own class' coloured hamper. See attached chart for allocated class colours. Raffle tickets will be sent home with children next week also.

## Mental Health

Mental health and wellbeing are always a key priority for us as a school. Attached with our newsletter this week is a mental health support poster and links to websites we think parents may find useful.

## Right's Respecting Mascot

Our Right's Respecting Ambassadors wish to replace our current Right's Respecting Mascot, which was designed by a Romanby pupil over seven years ago. To do this, we are holding a design competition.

Our Ambassadors would like the new mascot to include the following:

- Be based on an animal,
- To include the colour blue (for UNICEF),
- Your mascot will need a name that embodies rights.

Please can all designs be completed on white A4 paper, and include the name/class of the child. They can be handed to your child's class teacher or to the school office. The closing date for entries is Friday 30th June.

Our Right's Respecting Ambassador's will vote for the one they believe best represents both Romanby and UNICEF. The winner will receive a £10 book voucher.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Mrs Slaney and the Right's Respecting Ambassadors.

### Times Table Rock Stars Trophy



Congratulations to Miss Hillary's class who have been the most active with their Times Tables Rock Stars work in the last week.

### Diary Dates

13 <sup>th</sup> June	September Reception Parent Meeting
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3/4 Dynamo Cricket
19 <sup>th</sup> June	EYFS/KS1 Sports Afternoon
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photographs
21 <sup>st</sup> June	Y5/6 Dynamo Cricket
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	KS2 Sports Afternoon
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5/6 play - What a Knight, 9:20am
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3/4 Mini Tennis
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5/6 play – What a Knight, 6.00pm
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer Fair, 4.00pm-7.00pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 London Residential Visit
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Annual Reports sent home
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Y3/4 Heroes and Villains Celebration event, 2.30pm
12 <sup>th</sup> - 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Northallerton School Transition Days
12 <sup>th</sup> - 14 <sup>th</sup> July	In School transition days
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Evening, 3.30pm-6.00pm
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 Groundbreaking Greeks Celebration Event, 2.45pm
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Leaving Assembly, 9.10am
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last day of term

These dates are also on our school website, [Calendar > Romanby Primary School](#)

### Term Dates 2023 - 2024

#### SUMMER TERM 2023

Tuesday 18th April, 2023	First Day of Term
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May, 2023	School closed – Bank Holiday
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May, 2023	Half Term Holiday begins
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June, 2023	Pupils return to school
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July, 2023	Last Day of Term

#### AUTUMN TERM 2023

Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023	First Day of Term
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023	Half Term Holiday begins
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November, 2023	Pupils return to school
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December, 2023	Last Day of Term

#### SPRING TERM 2024

Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January, 2024	First Day of Term
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February, 2024	Half Term Holiday begins

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2024

Pupils return to school

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2024

Last Day of Term

Training Days: 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> July 2023, 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023, 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023 and 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

### Stars of the Week

Every Friday we have a special celebration assembly when staff give out awards that link to our “Secrets of Success”. Congratulations to the following children who received the “Star of the Week” award in our last two celebration assemblies:

<b>Mrs. Hugill’s class</b>	Zac, Marnie, Joshua, Tabbi
<b>Mrs. Allen’s</b>	Wren, Daniel, Eloise, Toby
<b>Miss. Hillary’s class</b>	Harry, Isabelle, Daniel, Thomas
<b>Mrs. Seal’s class</b>	Finnegan, Dylan, Max, Olivia, Sophia
<b>Mrs. Weeks’ and Mrs. Crocker’s class</b>	Poppy, Oliver, Tyler, Oliva
<b>Mrs. Slaney’s class</b>	Edward, Macey, Ellouise, William
<b>Miss Cable’s class</b>	Harry, Sophie, Declan, Aoife
<b>Mrs. Holme’s class</b>	Elsa, India, Eleanor, Jack, Elsa
<b>Mrs. Howe’s and Mrs. Cornock’s class</b>	Holly, Steven, James, Lewis
<b>Mrs. Clarke’s class</b>	Lola, Harvey, Jimmy-Lee, Jacob, Charlotte

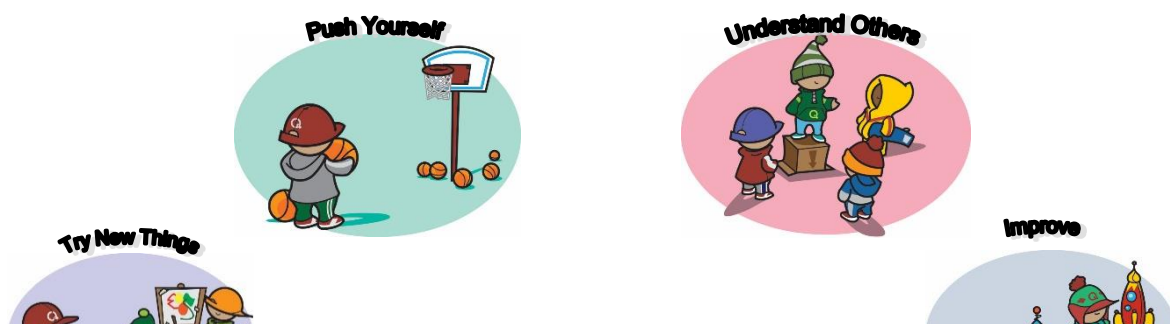
### Team Point Scores

Team	Total for the year
Birch (B)	<b>2569</b>
Sycamore (G)	<b>2767</b>
Hawthorn (R)	<b>2825</b>
Oak (Y)	<b>2833</b>

The letters in brackets link to the old colour teams.

### Safeguarding

If you ever have any concerns about the safety or wellbeing of a child at our school, please speak to one of our Safeguarding Leads. Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Foxwell and the Deputy Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Allen.



# Secrets of Success

We all follow three simple rules  
**We have the right to be treated with respect**  
**We have the right to learn**  
**We have the right to be safe**



*RRSA: Article 28 – We have the right to a good quality education.*

If you would like this information in another language or format please let us know.