

Romanby Primary School Newsletter

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World Book Day



World Book Day was celebrated with lots of fun and excitement as children and staff dressed up as their favourite book characters. We had a special assembly with a visit from a local author who just happens to be a parent of two children in school. She talked about the journey from getting her first ideas, to getting the book published and then on sale in shops. It was great for the children to be able to relate to someone who is a real

author. Classes also took part in reading swaps to read with children in other classes. Everyone then took home a World Book Day voucher that can be redeemed against a few special World Book Day books or as a £1 discount off any book. Thank you to Mrs Clarke for arranging everything.

The Wombles of Hambleton

We were very lucky to have The Wombles of Hambleton come into school this week to talk to the children about litter picking and the importance of looking after our local area.



We have also received a Plastic Free Schools award from Surfers Against Sewage for the work we have done in school to reduce plastic waste and litter in general. We do not expect schools to be totally plastic free. Our aim is to free where we live from single-use plastic: the avoidable stuff that's everywhere, things like plastic drinks bottles, disposable coffee cups, sachets, bathroom plastics, excessive food packaging, takeaway containers etc.

Thank you. Mrs Slaney and the Rights Respecting Ambassadors

Y5/6 Dodgeball Competition

On Wednesday 1st March a few of the children in Year 5/6 went to a dodgeball competition at the leisure centre. There were six teams that came: Romanby, Mill Hill, Applegarth, Broomfield, Brompton and Alverton. The three teams that got medals were:

Romanby - Gold Applegarth - Silver Mill Hill - Bronze

All the players who went really enjoyed it. They were: Lewis, Shahed, Bradley, Jessica, Olivia, Lottie, Issa, Lily Rose and Mrs Etherington. We had five matches and won all of them. Everyone had a lot of fun! Thank you to the people who transported us to the event. By Lewis

PE Kit

KS1 children have been coming to school in their PE kit for a while now and this has helped to increase the amount of time that the children have for PE rather than spending a lot of time getting changed, reducing lost kit etc. We would like to trial the children in KS2 coming to school in their PE kit on the days that they have PE. Obviously, if it is cold then they need to be wearing a school jumper, jogging bottoms etc. A reminder for all children across school that PE kit is a plain white T-shirt, plain black/navy shorts and trainers for outdoor work. We do not allow football strips or t-shirts with logos. If children come to school in football kit etc. we will ask them to change into school PE kit from the spare kit that we have.

Times Table Rock Stars Trophy

Miss Hillary, who leads on Maths development in school, has decided to award a trophy each week to the class who show the best engagement or improvement with their work on Times Table Rock Stars. Well done to Miss Cable's class and Mrs. Holme's class for winning the trophy in the last two weeks.



Governor Vacancy

Rachael Day will be taking on the vacant parent governor role following the recent nominations for election.

Friends of Romanby School

The next committee meeting is Thursday 20th April at 7:30pm in The Golden Lion in Romanby. We are starting to plan the Summer Fair, so if you have an ideas or suggestions please join us.

We will be holding an Easter Craft Competition for the children to enter, keep an eye on the FoRS Facebook page for more details. Raffle tickets for the Easter Raffle will be coming home next week, the raffle will be drawn on the 29th March. We have some fantastic chocolate hampers up for grabs!

Friday 17th March - Red Nose Day for Comic Relief Dress for Joy!

We will be joining schools across the UK in a dressing-up day to remember – this year our theme is 'Dress for Joy'. Don your most fancy or fun clothes, something that makes you and your school smile, in return for a donation. If you are able, please donate to Comic Relief through our JustGiving page: <u>https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rednoseday23-romanby-primary-school</u>

Turkey and Syria Earthquake

Thank you to everyone who donated to this appeal we raised £599.



Does your child get to school on time every day?

There is a link between good school attendance and high-level attainment. Regardless of the reason, if your child is absent from school it will impact on their learning. Our attendance rates are quite good but it is still important as the graphic below highlights.

There are **190** days in a school year which leaves **175** days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.



A couple of other things

Please can we remind everyone that children should only bring water to school in their drinks bottles and should not bring other bottles that may appear to be energy drinks etc.

We have had some issues with the main school gate intercom which means that it can only be released by staff in the office. While we are waiting for it to be repaired please do not use the carpark gates to access the school playground. Staff will let you in when they see you on the screen in the office.

Diary Dates

16 th March	Sleep Awareness Day
17 th March	Comic Relief
20 th March	KS1 Bake Sale
21 st March	Y3/4 Play – Dragon Days (9.30am)
22 nd March	Y3/4 Play – Dragon Days (6.00pm)
27 th March	Y5 East Barnby Outdoor Centre Residential Visit
31 st March	Last day of term before Easter holiday
17 th April	Staff Training Day – school closed
18 th April	School open
19 th April	Y1/2 Multiskills event
24 th April	Y3/4 Bake Sale
26 th April	Y3/4 Sportshall Athletics event
3 rd May	Y5 Bikeability – Group 1
5 th May	Y5 Bikeability – Group 2
8 th May	Coronation Bank Holiday
9 th May	Y6 SAT week
10 th May	Y5 Bikeability – Group 1
12 th May	Y5 Bikeability – Group 2
17 th May	Y5/6 Sportshall Athletics
14 th June	Y3/4 Dynamo Cricket
20 th June	Class Photographs
21 st June	Y5/6 Dynamo Cricket
28 th June	Y3/4 Mini Tennis
3 rd – 5 th July	Y6 London Residential Visit
12 th -14 th July	Y6 Northallerton School Transition Days
21 st July	Last day of term
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Unfortunately, the planned girls football sessions have been cancelled by the external provider.

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:

Mrs. Hugill's class	Ralphie, Ezra, Oliver, Tabbi
Mrs. Allen's	Lucy, Daisy, Kai, Annabel
Miss. Hillary's class	Harry, Emily, Joshua, Harper
Mrs. Seal's class	Dominic, Ella, Finnegan, Max
Mrs. Weeks' and Mrs. Crocker's class	Tyler, Hayden Isla, Poppy
Mrs. Slaney's class	Freddie, Edward, Peter, Chloe

Miss Cable's class	Edward, Autumn, Jessica, Sophie
Mrs. Holme's class	Aiden, Shahed, Olivia, Finley
Mrs. Howe's and Mrs. Cornock's class	Scarlett, Stephen, Seren, Bradley
Mrs. Clarke's class	Ethan, Constance, Harry, Tegan, Millie, Avah



Linked to our Secrets of Success we sometimes find out about some of the things that children do out of school that go above and beyond what might normally be expected. In the past we have asked parents to complete blank certificates which we have put on display in school. We are going to use this space to recognise some of these feats that happen from time to time.

Congratulations to Annabel S who completed a fundraising walk up Pen-y-Ghent for one of her football team friends has recently been diagnosed with leukaemia. The team did a fundraising event by climbing Roseberry Topping but Annabel wasn't able to take part so arranged her own fundraiser.

Team Point Scores

Team	Total this half-term	Total for the year
Birch (B)	197	1914
Sycamore (G)	187	2033
Hawthorn (R)	204	2059
Oak (Y)	203	2080

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.



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