



# Romanby Primary School Newsletter

“Making Every Moment Matter”

12<sup>th</sup> April 2024

## Welcome back to the summer term!

We hope that everyone had an enjoyable Easter break. The new term has started with each year group launching new projects for the term. It has been a busy start to term this week!

## Y5/6 Football Competition

Well done to Jacob, Kason, Ashton, Reggie, Seth, Gabe and Oscar who represented school this week. This is what they said;

*On the 10<sup>th</sup> April some of the Y5/6 boys went to the Leisure Centre to compete against four other teams in football. It was very windy and wet, however, we all played really well and had a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon. We were extremely proud to come second overall and Oscar received the medal for the most valuable player.*

## United Against Bullying

Over Easter we were told that we were one of 296 schools nationally who had completed the Anti-Bullying Alliance United Against Bullying Award. We have been awarded the Bronze School for demonstrating our commitment to stopping bullying and improving the wellbeing of its pupils. The outcomes from the children’s surveys completed in September and March show that we do better than the national average in terms of pupil experience at school.



## Reading

It has been great to see the enthusiasm that the children have for reading – particularly with the incentive of hot chocolate and biscuits in our weekly reading raffle. We know that regular reading has a huge impact on learning. Following a successful bid to the English Hub we have managed to get £7000 funding for new books to support early reading in Reception and KS1 as well as some other books to support older children struggling with their reading. This will supplement and replace some of the current books that we have. Sadly, even that amount of money doesn’t buy as many books as you might think. We have also had great support from the Friends of Romanby School (see below) with funding for books.

Please can we ask that you check behind chairs, under beds, in drawers etc. at home and return any school books that may have gone astray. Thank you for your support!

## Health and Safety

Now that the mornings and evenings are lighter it is great to see children coming to school on their bikes and scooters. Please don’t forget to walk across the busy playground and then lock your bike or scooter in the racks near the library. (All bikes and scooters are left in school at your own risk). Please also remember to stay off the adventure play equipment before and after school. Please can we also ask that no one walks through the carpark gates to come into school.

## Diary Dates

- 15<sup>th</sup> April Reception visit from Aquatic Fanatic
- 16<sup>th</sup> April Y1/2 visit to Whitby
- 16<sup>th</sup> April Inter school Spelling Bee
- 17<sup>th</sup> April Cricket taster sessions Y2 and Y3/4 pupils

- 18<sup>th</sup> April Y6 Cyber BlueLine Internet Safety
- 24<sup>th</sup> April Y3/4 Project Open Afternoon for parents, 2.45pm
- 1<sup>st</sup> May Y5 Science Workshops at Northallerton School
- 3<sup>rd</sup> May KS1 bake sale
- 7<sup>th</sup> May Bikeability Group 1
- 8<sup>th</sup> May Bikeability Group 2
- 8<sup>th</sup> May Music for Life – workshops and performance
- 8<sup>th</sup> May Reception litter pick at Romanby park (with The Wombles of Hambleton)
- 9<sup>th</sup> May Y3/4 Dynamo Cricket
- 10<sup>th</sup> May Bikeability Group 3
- 13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> May Y6 SAT week
- 13<sup>th</sup> May Bikeability Group 3
- 14<sup>th</sup> May Bikeability Group 1
- 14<sup>th</sup> May Y3/4 Trip - Leeds City Museum (Gp1)
- 15<sup>th</sup> May Bikeability Group 2
- 16<sup>th</sup> May Y3/4 Trip - Leeds City Museum (Gp2)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> May Y5/6 Dynamo Cricket
- 24<sup>th</sup> May Reception Parents Stay and Play session, 2.30pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> June Reception in school beach day
- 5<sup>th</sup> June Y3/4 Sports Hall Athletics event
- 7<sup>th</sup> June KS2 bake sale
- 12<sup>th</sup> June Y5/6 Sports Hall Athletics event
- 20<sup>th</sup> June KS2 Sports Afternoon
- 25<sup>th</sup> June Y5/6 Performance, 6.00pm
- 26<sup>th</sup> June Y5/6 Performance, 9.20am
- 26<sup>th</sup> June Y3/4 Mini Tennis
- 27<sup>th</sup> June EYFS/KS1 Sports Afternoon
- 28<sup>th</sup> June Summer Fair
- 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> July Y6 London residential visit
- 3<sup>rd</sup> July Y1/2 Multi skills event
- 4<sup>th</sup> July Y1/2 open afternoon for parents
- 5<sup>th</sup> July Reception visit to Saltburn
- 10<sup>th</sup> July Y3/4 Ancient Civilisations open afternoon for parents, 2.45pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> July Y5/6 Maafa open afternoon to parents, 2.45pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> July Y6 Leavers' Assembly, 9.20am
- 18<sup>th</sup> July End of year Discos
- 19<sup>th</sup> July End of term

Dates are also on our website [Calendar < Romanby Primary School](#)

### Attendance

96.4% until the end of last term puts us in the top 10% of schools nationally for good attendance.

*“From the first day of term to the last, the small moments in a school day make a real difference to your child. #AttendanceCounts”*

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MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**

## 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 celebration assembly:

<b>Miss Jenkins’ class</b>	Lily, Lucy
<b>Mrs. Whittaker’s class</b>	Olivia, Gracie
<b>Miss. Turner’s class</b>	Olivia, Ruby
<b>Mrs. Seal’s class</b>	Athena-Rose, Marnie
<b>Mrs. Weeks’ and Mrs. Crocker’s class</b>	Callie, Hayden
<b>Mrs. Holme’s class</b>	Charlie, Ruby
<b>Mrs. Hugill’s class</b>	Emily, Harry
<b>Mrs. Slaney’s class</b>	Harper, Emilia
<b>Mrs. Howe’s and Mrs. Cornock’s class</b>	Maxim, Poppy
<b>Miss Irving’s class</b>	Constance, Effie

## Friends of Romanby School Update

Thank you to everyone who has attended our meetings this year. During the meetings, we discuss how we will allocate the funds that have been raised (based on requests from the school), discuss future events and assess previous events for successes or potential improvements. The funds raised at our events go towards benefiting every child within Romanby School, without your continuous support, this wouldn’t be possible.

We have just handed over a cheque for £10,000 to support the school in several areas, such as bus costs, which have nearly trebled in the past few years. FoRS has committed to providing over £3,000 towards this each year, therefore massively reducing the cost the school has to request parents to contribute. The school also needed new Chromebooks for the children, £3,000 was allocated for this. The old sports equipment shed has been leaking for some time, FoRS has covered the full cost of replacing this, at £3,150. We have also covered the cost of new shade sails in the Reception outdoor play area, which were damaged during the winter storms.

FoRS is run by parent & carer volunteers, new members are always welcome. We would love you to join and suggest new ideas or support towards fundraising. There is no requirement to attend every meeting or help at every event, just as and when you can, even if it is only one event per year. The more parents/carers we have on board, the more events we can plan and ultimately funds we can raise for school. As children move on to secondary school, their parents inevitably leave FoRS and we need more volunteers, especially from the lower years of the school, to ensure FoRS can continue.

A massive THANK YOU to Phil Ackroyd, who managed to get a whopping £1,000 donation from his work, as they offered a matched donation to what was raised at our Christmas Fair event. Does your employer offer this? If so, these funds would help the school an unbelievable amount.

We are looking at moving meetings to being online, via Teams, Zoom or similar, to ensure more people can attend. Please join the Facebook group (details below) to be kept updated on how to join the next meeting, where we will be planning for the Summer Fair and other events.

Current Committee Members are;

Mark Smith	Chair
Gemma Hutchinson	Secretary
Hannah Charlton	Treasurer
Sarah Hampson	Committee Member
Liz Phipps	Committee Member
Tiff Starkey	Committee Member
Tara Morris	Committee Member
Natalie Currie	Committee Member
Paulina Janakiewicz-Clawson	Committee Member
Emma Maxwell	Committee Member
Zoe Bell	Committee Member
Phil Ackroyd	Committee Member
Maddie Atkinson	Committee Member

### **Facebook**

FoRS have a Facebook page, updates are posted about meetings, events and general school questions. Search 'Friends of Romanby School' to join the group or click [HERE](#). You will need to confirm the name of your child(ren) and their teacher.

### **Upcoming Events**

KS1 Bake Sale – 03/05/2024

KS2 Bake Sale – 07/06/2024

Summer Fair – 28/06/2024 (4pm – 7pm)

KS1 Disco – 18/07/2024 (5:30pm – 6:30pm)

KS2 & Leavers Disco – 18/07/2024 (6:45pm – 7:45pm)

### **EasyFundraising**

Easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand. Brands pay Easy fundraising commission because when you start your shop from the Easyfundraising website or app, they can see we sent you to them. If you make a purchase, a commission is generated and that then becomes a donation to FoRS. To sign up, please visit the Easyfundraising website and select 'The Friends of Romanby Primary School' as the cause.

### **Your School Lottery**

Your School Lottery is an exciting weekly lottery that raises money for schools in the UK. All schools supported by the lottery will benefit the UK and its residents. Play the lottery, support your school - it's that simple! Tickets for the lottery cost just £1 per week, with a top prize of £25,000! Each ticket will consist of 6 numbers and each number will be between 0 and 9. There will be a draw every Saturday night when a 6-digit winning combination will be picked. Match all 6 and you win the JACKPOT! There is also a guaranteed winner for each school every Saturday which is drawn on a raffle basis, so there are two chances to win a prize. To join the lottery please visit Your School Lottery

From everyone at FoRS we would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supports, attends and volunteers at events. Without you all, none of this would be possible. Also, a special thank you to the teachers and admin staff who help us along the way, your assistance is invaluable.

Mark Smith, Chair

## Healthier Together

Healthier Together is a new NHS website to help parents and carers make the best decisions about their children's health. Our advice is consistent and high-quality, developed by local health professionals.

You'll find clear information on common childhood illnesses, including advice on what 'red-flag' signs to look out for, where to seek help if required and how long your child's symptoms are likely to last.

[Visit the website today and whenever you're worried about your child.](#)



## 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 Miss Jenkins.



*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.

