



Romanby Primary School Newsletter

“Making Every Moment Matter”

6th September 2024

Welcome Back!

It has been great to have the children back in school again and we have all thoroughly enjoyed hearing about the children’s different experiences over the summer. Once again there are some changes for the children to get used to, but everyone has settled very quickly, adapted to the new routines and worked hard. We are particularly delighted to welcome our new Reception children into school. We have been reminding the children about our school rules and that we need to be “Ready, Respectful, Safe”.

Welcome to Mrs Webster who has started teaching in Y5/6 with Mrs Clarke. In KS2 Mr Bullock has joined us to cover planning time for teachers on a Tuesday and Thursday. Mrs Bullock will continue to cover on a Wednesday as last year.

This week you will have received information from each year group about our new Learning Projects for the term (this information, and lots more including Knowledge Organisers for the projects, is also on our school website [Home > Romanby Primary School](#)). This curriculum content is organised into a range of main and mini subject-driven projects. Our English work continues to follow the Talk 4 Writing approach and links with key stories and non-fiction texts. The Maths curriculum follows the White Rose Maths termly projects. All this work links to our strategic priorities for this year that are shown at the end of this newsletter.

Facebook

This year we will continue to keep you updated on school life using our school Facebook page. Here is the link to access it: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1830025573811297>

If your child is a new starter, please send us a ‘Friend Request’ and state which class your child is in. We will also continue to use Marvellous Me for team points and other class learning. For those children new to school, details of how to access Marvellous Me have been sent home this week.

Extra-curricular activities

Next week we will be restarting some of our afterschool activities. Private music lessons will also restart.

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Music	Piano	Wind Instrumental		Guitar Lessons
Lunchtime	KS Choir			
After School	KS2 Multi Sports KS1 Icreate	KS1 Multi Sports KS2 Icreate	KS2 Football	

Please contact the school office for further information.

Uniform

It has been great to see everyone coming to school in their school uniform, thank you for your support with this. Please can we remind you to put your child’s name in all clothing so that it can be returned if it is misplaced.

Food

Please can we remind everyone that we have a number of children in school who have a food allergy. We particularly ask that children do not bring nuts into school and that packed lunches do not contain nuts.

Please can you also remind your children that once they have ordered their school meal in the morning they can't change their choice when they get to the serving trolley in the hall as we will not be able to give everyone their chosen meal if they do this.

Updating pupil details

Please can you ensure that the school office hold the most up to date contact details for your child. Likewise, if any medical information needs to be changed e.g. your child now has an asthma inhaler, please let us know. If you need to update any details, please do this by emailing admin@romanby.n-yorks.sch.uk. Thank you.

Year 6 transfer to Secondary School

Please follow the link for a letter regarding pupils applying for a secondary school place in September 2025. [2025 Year 6 Letter to Parents](#)

Friends of Romanby School

The Friends of Romanby School (FORS) hope that you will join us for the AGM on Wednesday 11th September at 6pm in school. We have roles that need to be filled in order for FORS to continue, specifically Chair, Secretary and Treasurer, all roles can be done on a shared basis if needed.

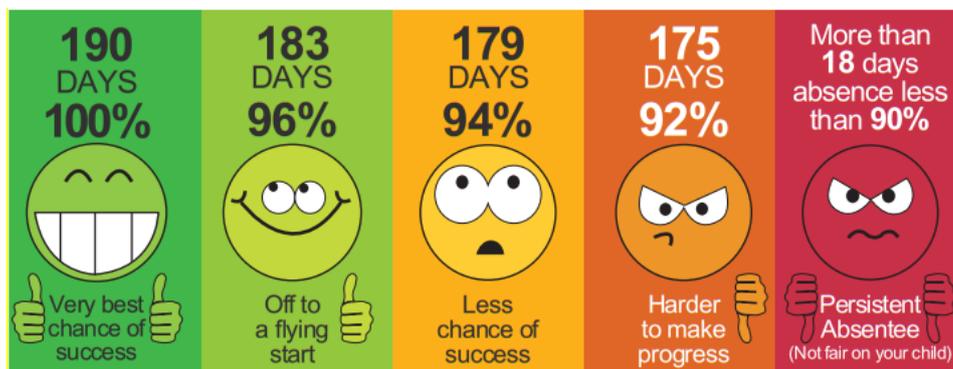
Everyone is welcome to attend! Come along to learn more about what we do to support the school and how you can help by volunteering your time, no matter how much or little!

E mail friendsofromanbysch@gmail.com with any questions



Attendance

It is so important to stress how vital good attendance is for your children. We know that children who attend regularly, do better, achieve more, and have better chances of success than those who don't. We are aiming for at least 96% as the chart below demonstrates.



The evidence shows that children with poor attendance are unlikely to succeed academically and they are more likely not to be in education, employment or training when they leave school. Unfortunately, last term, we have had an increase of families taking holidays during term time. We really do understand the reasons that parents are more attracted to booking holidays during school time, however as a school, our ultimate responsibility and concern is the educational welfare and achievement of your children and we would urge families not to do this wherever possible. On the other hand, we are not saying send your children to school when they are ill! Longer term, this can be worse for your child's health (and others if contagious!) and they certainly will not learn well. However, all we ask as a school, is that you keep in mind how important school is for your child's achievements, particularly if you are

unsure if they are really that unwell – and please be re-assured, that if they are, we will contact you to take them home for lots of TLC!

Illness

It is usually appropriate for parents and carers to send their children to school with mild respiratory illnesses. This would include general cold symptoms: a minor cough, runny nose or sore throat. However, children should not be sent to school if they have a temperature of 38°C or above. We have been asked to share the NHS' 'is my child too ill for school' guidance with parents and carers which has further information. Please follow this link for further details [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

School Meal Prices

A reminder that due to the increased cost of ingredients and staff wages, the price of a school meal has increased to £3.10 per day or £15.50 per week.

Updated Procedure for Jewellery in Physical Education

A reminder that we have had new guidance on wearing jewellery in PE lessons. The wearing of personal effects, such as jewellery and watches, can present risks of injury to the person and/or others involved in an activity. The basic rule is that all jewellery should be removed. It is not safe to cover ear-rings / studs / sleepers with tape. Children should remove their own jewellery. If the child is unable to do this themselves, they should not wear any on the days that they do PE.

Diary Dates

- 10th September Y1/2 Inter School Fun Run
- 11th September FoRS AGM
- 18th September Y1/2 Inter School Multi-skills Event
- 25th September Y5/6 Quick Sticks Hockey Competition
- 25th September Fire Service visiting Reception
- 26th September KS2 European Languages Day
- 1st October Flu Immunisations
- 2nd October Y3/4 Quick Sticks Hockey Competition
- 3rd October Y1/2 visit to Preston Hall Museum
- 8th October Individual Photographs
- 9th October Y5/6 Girls Football Competition
- 16th October Y5/6 Football Competition
- 17th October Y6 Inter School Debate at County Hall
- 23rd October Parent/Teacher Meetings
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- 24th October Reception "Stay and Play"
- 25th October Staff Training Day (school closed)
- 28th October Half Term Week
- 6th November Y5/6 TAG Rugby Competition
- 20th December Last day of term

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

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 this week:

Reception class	Elvis, Chase
Mrs. Seal’s class	Ben, Rowan, Georgia
Mrs. Whittaker’s class	Matthew-Paul, Tabbi
Mrs. Weeks’ and Mrs. Crocker’s class	Toby, Ruby
Mrs. Holme’s class	Evie, Joshua
Mrs. Hugill’s class	William, Jimi
Mrs. Slaney’s class	Eliza, Sadie
Mrs. Howe’s class	Reggie, Elliott
Mrs. Clarke’s and Mrs. Webster’s class	Declan, River

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.



HIGH QUALITY TEACHING

To ensure access to high quality teaching, we plan to...

- Develop a Maths curriculum, teaching and assessment that provides greater challenge to all children and particularly the more able.
- Develop English teaching, assessment and a curriculum which responds to the needs of more able children, especially in writing.

TARGETED ACADEMIC SUPPORT

To deliver impactful targeted support, we plan to...

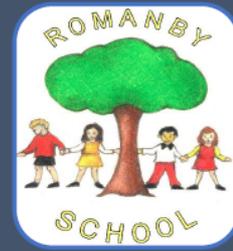
- Use activities and resources to meet the specific needs of disadvantaged pupils including those with SEND
- Ensure teaching assistants are deployed effectively

WIDER STRATEGIES

To remove non-academic barriers to attainment, we plan to...

- Support children's social, emotional and behavioural needs
- Support children's attendance
- Maintain a strong safeguarding culture and ethos

Strategic Priorities 2024 - 2025



North Yorkshire County Council



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.