



Summer Newsletter

Wednesday 21st July 2021

It has certainly been a year like no other. Everyone was devastated when we had to change plans so close to the end of term, and that we couldn't finish off the year as usual. Fortunately, the children and staff had worked incredibly hard, 'just in case', and their planning paid off. Thank you to all the staff for their incredible effort in making the run up to the end of term as exciting and 'normal' as possible.

Au revoir!

We are very sad to be saying goodbye to Mr Santy as he leaves us to take up his new post at Mendlesham Primary School. We know that he will be a great asset to them and we will miss him terribly. We thank him for everything he has done for us at Roydon, for all his help, support, fab ideas, and unique grumpiness!! Come back and see us soon, Mr Santy!

So long!

The Year 6 children and all the staff were so upset that they haven't yet had the opportunity to sign T-shirts and say goodbye in person. We are hoping to invite them in one morning after their period of self-isolation, and to give them one last go on the climbing frame in the hall! We wish them all good luck at high school and hope they come back to visit and tell us all about it.

How do they do it?

I am in awe of our incredible staff! We always talk about how lucky we are to have such a fabulous team, and they have shown it yet again as we made it to the end of term with **eighteen** members of staff in self-isolation. Everyone has worked together to keep the children safe and well-taught, and get all the jobs done, whether they were in school or working from home. We did it!

September

Obviously we do not know yet what school life will be like in the Autumn Term, but we will let you know at the beginning of September about arrangements for the first few days. Plan for usual uniform, usual PE kit, usual lunch boxes ... usual everything! With the exception of Reception, we anticipate that all children will start the school day at 8.45am and go home at 3.20pm, and we will make amendments as necessary nearer the time.

FoRPS

Obviously, it has been tricky to organize fundraising events recently, but don't forget the summer fair is to be held on Wednesday 22nd September. Any offers of help will be gratefully received. Thank you for your donations for Break the Rules Day – we collected over £200!

Governors

Do you know how lucky we are to have a full board of governors with such strengths, such a range of knowledge, such generosity with their time, and such enthusiasm? Being a governor is a voluntary role and most schools struggle to find people willing to rise to the challenge of helping to run a school. Every one of them has offered us support, advice and encouragement through the challenges we have faced, and we are exceedingly grateful to them all.

Have you:

- visited www.roydonprimary.co.uk?
 - liked our Facebook page?
 - signed up to Class Dojo?
- Keep up-to-date with all our latest news.

See you back in school on **Monday 6th September**.
Happy holidays, everyone!