### **Roydon Primary School**

# Spring Newsletter



## Friday 14th February 2020

It has certainly been a couple of years to remember and now the building project is finally coming to an end. Morgan Sindall have become part of the fixtures and fittings, and it will be odd when they move out just after half term. There is much to be done in the old part of the building and there are still plenty of boxes to empty, but, as always, the staff are working like troupers to unpack resources that have been packed up for the last six months. We are looking forward to using the old hall, food tech, room and library again. It won't be long now!

24 <sup>th</sup> February	25 <sup>th</sup> February 9.00am Hearts & Minds coffee morning	26 <sup>th</sup> February	27 <sup>th</sup> February Tag Rugby for some Junior children	28 <sup>th</sup> February pm Mrs Bradford & Mrs Walsh – 'Attachment' course @ Stalham 3.30pm FoRPS meeting
2 <sup>nd</sup> March BOOK WEEK Sponsored Spell	3 <sup>rd</sup> March 'Hat Day' 4.00pm Mrs Jolly & Mrs Campbell – LA moderation @ Long Stratton	4 <sup>th</sup> March Otters & Owls visiting the Houses of Parliament	5 <sup>th</sup> March WORLD BOOK DAY 4.00pm Miss Vale – LA moderation @ Thetford	6 <sup>th</sup> March 9.00am FoRPS International coffee morning pm Mrs Bradford — Leadership Update @ Great Yarmouth 3.20pm Hedgepeckers cake sale

Outdoor play equipment

We are looking for a local company who would be able to rebuild our wooden outdoor play equipment. Some of the wood may need replacing, and our project manager is reckoning on it being approximately one week's work. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please ask them to phone us on 01379 642628.

Have you:

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

We have been told that the double yellow lines The parking headache should be painted a few weeks after half term. However, when Morgan Sindall move off-site, the cones will no longer be put out at the beginning and end of the day, making our children particularly vulnerable again. Please do what you can to avoid parking close to the school entrance so that drivers can see pedestrians, and vice versa. Thank you to all those who have helped to improve the situation. Loose parts

Many thanks to Lou Thompson for her help in collecting together bits and pieces for children to use to 'get creative' at break and lunchtimes. If you have anything to add to the collection (corks, wooden pegs, curtain rings, old CDs, clean yoghurt pots, old picture frames (without the glass), pine cones, lollipop sticks), please bring them to the office ASAP so Lou can show them to the children on the Tuesday after half term.

# More reasons to celebrate

Random Acts of Kindness Day is next Random Act of Kindness Monday and to celebrate, Mrs Beamish convinced the charity SongBird Survival that we should be the recipient of their generous gift of four beautiful books. They will be much appreciated in our new library.

Young Voices A huge thank you to Miss Leftley, Miss Stannard and Mrs Lister for preparing our lucky Junior singers for the concert in London, and to the children for being such amazing ambassadors for our school. It has been described as 'an incredible experience' to join in with 8,000 other children to enjoy singing together.

#### Adding to our learning

Badgers and Squirrels were fortunate enough to spend the day at the Sea Life Centre in Great Yarmouth this half term. This was to support them in their geography topic 'Under the Sea'. Also, Hedgehogs and Woodpeckers spent a morning using virtual reality headsets to help them learn about 'Space'. These kind of activities really help bring children's learning to life.

We really appreciate all the time and effort that the FoRPS ladies put into organising events for our children and their families; it is such a shame when they are not well supported. Sadly, the clothing swap did not attract much interest and there were the usual panic calls for The school really help at Movie Night. appreciates every penny that FoRPS raises to enhance our children's learning. support them whenever you can.

### Foxes assembly

What a lot Foxes know about the rainforest! This week we were treated to a very informative assembly when they shared their knowledge with us and explained about their scientific studies. Well done everyone for the part you played.

#### New teacher in town

Foxes were lucky enough to have two teachers in class this week. Luke Garnham has been working so hard, his reward for earning 150 Dojos was to be Teacher for a Day. Thank you for all your help on Tuesday, Mr Garnham!

# Safer Internet Day

We hope you received your Online Safety booklet this week and that you found the information useful. Did you find time to talk to your child about how to keep themselves safe when they are online? There are dangers for children, even in some of the most innocent-looking apps.

Reading challenge

Well done to all those who completed the reading challenge and were rewarded with a non-uniform day today. We do understand that you all have busy lives, but a few minutes reading every night makes an incredible difference to children's reading ability. As reading is so important throughout life, it is important that children develop their skills as early as possible.

Which subject is which? Under the new Ofsted framework, children are expected to know which curriculum subject they are learning. This may seem obvious, but for many years, children have been taught 'topic'! At the beginning of each lesson they are now told which curriculum area they are studying and, hopefully, you will hear them talking to you about their geography, history, RE, art ... lessons!

#### Happy Half-Term

We hope you have a lovely week and manage to spend some time together with friends and family. We will see you after the holiday on Monday 24th February.



### **Dates for your Diary**

**February** 

Tuesday 25th 9.00am Hearts & Minds drop-in session

Friday 28th 3.30pm FoRPS meeting

March

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> **Book Week** 

Tuesday 3rd 'Hat Day'! - design a book-related hat

4.00pm Mrs Jolly and Mrs Campbell @ LA moderation - Manor Field

Wednesday 4th Owls & Otters visiting the Houses of Parliament

Thursday 5th World Book Day

Miss Vale - LA Moderation @ Raleigh Primary School

Friday 6th Roydon Poetry Recital Day

> FoRPS International Coffee Morning 3.20pm Hedgepeckers cake sale

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Class photos

KS2 maths moderation @ Dickleburgh

Wednesday 18th 9.00am Owls class assembly

1.30pm Mrs Bradford – Cluster HT meeting @ Burston

4.00pm KS1 writing moderation @ Garboldisham Thursday 19th

Friday 20th 9.15am Mrs Bradford - Serious Case Reviews @ Park Hotel

4.15pm Full Governors

9.00am Badgers class assembly Wednesday 25th

Thursday 26th Safety week FoRPS' Discos

Friday 27th 2.30pm School Council Afternoon Tea

DVD afternoon

Monday 30th

**April** 

Wednesday 1st **Autism Awareness Day** 

9.00am Squirrels class assembly

3.30pm Easter Fayre

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!

Thursday 16th First Admissions offer day

Monday 27th 1.15pm Full Governors -- budget-setting Thursday 30th 3.30pm Sex Ed. meeting for Year 6 parents 4.15pm New Reception Parents Meeting

May

Tuesday 5th Year 4 trip to Ringsfield

Wednesday 6th 9.00am Woodpeckers class assembly

1.30pm Mrs Bradford – Cluster HT meeting @ Roydon

Thursday 7th Year 4 back from Ringsfield Friday 8th MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY Monday 11th SATs Week (with breakfasts)

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> 9.00am Hedgehogs class assembly

Friday 15th 4.15pm Full Governors

Monday 18th Safety Week

Thursday 21st 1.15 – 4.15pm Judith Carter (Ed. Psych.) – SEND themed meeting for parents

3.30pm FoRPS Movie Night

**HALF TERM** w/b Monday 25<sup>th</sup>

**June** 

Monday 1st Children back to school Monday 8th Phonic Screening Week

Year 4 Times Tables Tests until 26th June

Wednesday 10th 9.00am Rabbits class assembly

Wednesday 17th Junior sports am Infant sports pm Friday 19th

Reserve Sports

3.30pm Summer Fayre

Tuesday 23rd 3.30 - 6.30pm Parents' evening

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> 1.30pm Mrs Bradford - Cluster HT meeting @ DHS

3.30 - 5.30pm Parents' evening

Friday 26th **Enterprise Afternoon** 

July

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Norfolk Show Day

Wednesday 8th 10.45am Busking day followed by BBQ Lunch

Friday 10th 4.15pm Full governors FoRPS Summer BBQ

2.30pm School Council Afternoon Tea Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>

Thursday 16th FoRPS Discos Friday 17th DVD afternoon

Tuesday 21st 9.00am Leavers' assembly

1.30pm Final assembly



**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!** 

