Roydon Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a wonderful summer holiday! This letter contains some useful information about the expected activities in Foxes, Rabbits and Dragonflies this term.

Firstly, to introduce the team:

Class	Teacher(s)	Teaching assistant(s)
Foxes 	Mrs Beaird (Mon – Fri)	Mrs Sillett (HLTA) Mrs Skulski Mrs Hines Ms Keen Mrs Brown
Rabbits 	Mrs Drury (Mon, Tues, Fri) Mrs Bennett (Weds, Thurs)	
Dragonflies 	Mrs Bennett (Mon, Tues) Miss Leftley (Weds, Thurs, Fri)	

Maths	Place Value, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Division and Measurement of area
English	Sentence-level work Activities based on a book, starting with Traction Man Meets Turbodog
History	Stoneage, Iron Age and Bronze Age
Geography	Volcanoes
Computing	Computer systems and networks Programming
PE	Football, tag rugby, fundamentals, netball, basketball, swimming (year 4)
Science	Light and shadows Movement and nutrition
Art and DT	Cooking and Nutrition (Eating Seasonally) Painting and Mixed Media

Music	Jazz
RE	What makes us human?
French	Greetings Adjectives of colour, size and shape
PSHE	Families and relationships

Reading

Reading will take place each day with whole class or group work based on a book, as well as time for personal, quiet reading and shared reading. Books will be sent home regularly, and we ask that children read with an adult at least three times a week. Children should have a book band book, a book of choice and a library book.

Times tables

Each week we will have a times table test. At home, practise the timetables in order with your child. Once they get 24 out of 24 in their test, they can colour that square and move onto the next one. Dojos are given for completing the different awards. Children should bring home their red book to show you their progress each week.

Bronze	10	5	5 & 10 mixed	
Silver	2	4	8	2, 4 & 8 mixed
Gold	3	6	9	3, 6 & 9 mixed
Platinum	7	11	12	7, 11 & 12 mixed
Diamond	All (24 questions)	All (40 questions)	All (with division)	

Spellings

Spelling lessons this year will concentrate on learning rules, rather than lists of words. Therefore, we will not be sending words home to practise for a spelling test. We will share the rules we are learning so you can work on these at home as well.

P.E.

P.E will take place twice a week, on the following days:

Class	Outdoor session	Indoor session
Foxes	Monday	Tuesday
Rabbits	Thursday	Friday
Dragonflies	Tuesday	Thursday

Please ensure your child comes into school wearing the correct P.E kit on those days (no patterns, designs or logos, please). The children often use the field in outdoor sessions so please ensure they have a second pair of shoes in school to change into if needed. Hair should be tied back and earrings should be taken out. If your child is not able to take their earrings out, please provide them with micropore tape so that they can be covered.

Swimming

Year 4 children will go swimming. Classes will take turns to go throughout the year in order that group sizes are smaller, with each class getting around 11 lessons. Dragonflies will be going first, starting on Thursday 11th September with more details to follow on their final swim date.

The children will need to come into school with their swimming costume on underneath their uniform, and with a bag with towel, underwear and swim hat. Goggles are optional. Girls need to wear a one-piece costume, boys are asked to wear tight-fitting shorts. Long hair should be tied up and no earrings or jewellery are allowed.

Norwich Castle Trip

Our trip to Norwich Castle, linked to our Stone Age – Iron Age history topic, is due to take place on Wednesday 17th September. Please make sure that any payments are made through Parentmail as soon as possible. Although payments are voluntary, we will not be able to run the trip if we do not have sufficient funds.

On the day, the children will need to wear their uniforms and bring with them (or order) a packed lunch. Please make sure any lunch orders are made via the office the day before. We will leave just after registration and aim to be back for the end of the school day.

Cauliflower Cards

Although it seems early, we will be making our Christmas cards on Wednesday 10th September. If you would like to join us, please head to your child's classroom (via the office) between 9 and 10am. The cards will then be sent home at a later date for you to order.

Class Assembly

This term, our Year 3 and 4 assembly will take place on Wednesday 22nd October at 9am. Please head to the hall, via the office, if you would like to join us.

If you have any questions or queries during the year, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance. We are aware that as parents and carers, you may know other members of staff, but please speak to the class teacher first via Class Dojo. This allows us to deal with class issues more effectively and efficiently.

Charlotte Beaird, Amy Bennett, Sarah Drury and Jo Leftley