

Roe Green Strathcona School Mindfulness Newsletter October 2019

Autumn Two

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

School is starting to have that autumnal feel this week ~ leaves starting to fall from the trees coupled with a lovely Harvest Festival celebration before half term certainly set the seasonal mood. Thank you for your generosity with our harvest collection: all foods received have been collected by the St Laurence Larder for distribution to those in need in our local area.

Our value for this month has been 'honesty'. The children learn about what it means to be honest through PSHE assemblies, class circle times and through our school values and ethos.

Please make sure you go over the values each month with your child(ren) so that they understand the link between home and school.

Miss Simpson-PSHE Co-ordinator

Attendance and Punctuality

Our class attendance winners for this month –

Week of the 30th of September – Cherry Blossom

Week of the 7th of October – Silver Birch

Week of the 14th of October – Oak

Week of the 28th of October – Silver Birch



Paddington Bear spends the week with the class that has the best attendance.

Here are some ways in which you can help our school achieve excellent attendance:

Diwali

Happy Diwali to our families who celebrated the Festival of Light.



Well done to Oak class for their delightful

- Support your child to have attendance of 96% or above.
- We do not encourage parents to apply for leave during term time. If you have an exceptional reason you may apply in advance, however permission may not be given and our decision is final.
- Please make sure your child arrives at school on time as arriving late is unsettling for both your child and the class.
- We do not expect pupils to come to school when they are sick, but those with regular sickness absence will be expected to provide us with medical evidence before we authorise further absences.
- Please avoid medical and dental appointments during school time.
- If you or your child is having difficulties that impact on their attendance, please make an appointment with a member of staff to discuss additional support.

Diwali Assembly this year. A huge well done to all the teachers and staff who worked hard to make this happen. All of the children performed their parts with such confidence and I'm sure this was enjoyed by all who came to watch.



Reception Guided Reading

Guided reading has now started in all Reception classes. Please make sure that you find the time to go over your child's guided reading book each night and spend time talking about the pictures, words, and what they remember about the story.

Please take care of the books as they cost a lot of money and books will need to be replaced by you if they are lost or returned damaged.

Please make sure that the book is kept in the plastic zip lock bag and that it stays in their book bag as work will be done with them in class over the week.

Things to Remember

For school information such as term dates, curriculum overviews, policies and much more, please visit our website:

<http://www.roegreenstrathcona.co.uk>

Please do not park or stop on the yellow 'Keep Clear' markings in front of the school. The parked cars and volume of traffic make crossing the road quite dangerous and space is really needed to ensure that a safe place to cross can be identified.

It has been lovely to see so many children using their bicycles or scooters to come to school. For everyone's safety, however, please ensure that children dismount before coming through the gate and push their bicycles or scooters whilst on the school grounds.

Reminders

End of the day reminder:

Please check your child's book bag each day for newsletters, homework and messages from teachers.

If you were not able to meet with your class teacher for your wellbeing meeting, then please make sure you make an appointment with them. This is a relaxed way to meet your child's new class teacher and to see how they have settled into their class and to ask any questions that you may have.

Please make sure that your child is going to bed at an appropriate time each night. This should be between 6.30pm – 7pm for their age. School is a very busy place and we need all children to be alert and focused throughout all of their lessons.

Macmillan Cancer Support



A huge thank you to all families who took part in our MacMillan coffee morning on Friday the 27th of September. Altogether, Roe Green Infant & Strathcona School and Roe Green Junior School managed to raise £735.17. Well done everyone.

Jeans for Genes day



Thank you to all the children and staff who came to school wearing denim in support of 'Jeans for Genes Day'. As a school we raised a grand total of £465.10.

Wear It Pink Day

Sickness

Please let the office know if your child is ill for every day that they are off.
Also let the office know if your child will be in late because of an appointment.



Thank you to everyone who wore pink on Friday the 18th October. We made £298.84 for Breast Cancer.

Winter Is Coming

Please send your child to school with a coat each day and make sure that their name is written on the inside. The weather at the moment has been very unpredictable and we would like to make the most of getting outside for exercise and fresh air.

School Dinners and Packed Lunches

Please talk to your child to find out if they are enjoying and eating their school dinner. It is a long day for them to go without eating so please check in with them each day and talk about the dinner menu and what they have eaten. If you choose to change to packed lunch you need to let the office know.