

Roe Green Infants Newsletter

Monday 5th February 2018

Happy New Year and welcome back to the new term. We hope that everyone had a happy and a safe holiday.

Being Healthy

It is great to see so many children really wrapped up for winter in their coats, hats, gloves and scarves. Please ensure that all these items are clearly named, as children tend to lose them quite easily. The children are out during lunchtime and play times (weather permitting) and they do need to be warm.

This is often the time of the year that children come down with flu, sickness bugs etc. With regards to sickness, children should not return to school until 48 hours after the last time of being physically sick.

Healthy Lifestyles

As you are all aware we are the proud award holders of the "Transport for London Gold Award". We promote walking to school to ensure our dedication to keeping children healthy. We will be holding a BEEP Beep day on Wednesday March 8th in collaboration with "BRAKE", the road safety Charity.

Food bank

If you are struggling to make ends meet and need a one off help in terms of food vouchers please contact Mrs Aziz for assistance.

Staying Safe

Many children bring in party bags to celebrate their birthdays. Please remember to check the contents against our healthy eating letter which is on the school website. A copy is also available from the school office.

Please remember to change your child's water bottles regularly as they do have a lot of use over a term.

Please do not block local residents' driveways, or park on the double yellow lines and the zigzag lines. This is illegal and parking incorrectly can pose a safety risk to pupils and parents.

Please do not bring dogs (small or big) to the school when collecting and dropping children to school.

End of the day reminder: parents staying on the site waiting for junior siblings, your children are your responsibility and should be with you at all times, should not be on any school equipment or on the board walk at the front of the school.

Medication: please do not send in medication with your child. All medication needs to be handed to a member of staff.

Enjoying and Achieving

After school clubs for years 1 and 2 started on Monday 15th January and will finish on Friday 23rd March 2018. Please be reminded there will be no clubs on Parents' Evening, Thursday 1st March 2018.

We were very proud of the Reception and Nursery children taking part in their Christmas assemblies. They sang, narrated and acted beautifully.

Parents' Evening: This will be on Thursday 1st March, after half term. Letters for appointments will be sent out separately. Parents are welcome to bring their children and a crèche will be available.

Nursery Places: If your child was born between September 2014 and August 2015, please remember to apply for a Nursery place **before 16th April 2018.**

Transition: If your child is in Year 2 or the Nursery, you should have already applied to Brent Council for a place in Year 3 or Reception. The closing date was **15th January 2018.**

Science week was from the 16th – 20th October 2017. The focus for Science Week was 'trees in the local area'. Our classes went to the park to identify trees by observing seeds and leaves. We

looked at how autumn changes the trees and produced some stunning art work. Reception sorted, counted and named parts of the tree and we all learnt an autumn poem. It was a busy week!

Humanities week was from the 20th – 24th November 2017. Humanities Week was based on a field study of the 100th anniversary of Roe Green Village, paying attention to the external features of the houses built in the early 1900s. Children also learnt about what a conservation area entails. During the week, the children learned about significant people associated with the local area e.g. Amy Johnson (famous pilot).

Class assemblies for Reception and Year 1 will start from this term until the end of the summer term. Class assemblies will be on a **Friday** in the small hall, starting at 9.15am.

26 th January	Stag class	11 th May	Green Parrots
9 th February	Rabbit class	25 th May	Blue Jays
9 th March	Owl class	15 th June	Red Robins
23 rd March	Eagle class	6 th July	Yellow Canaries

The following class assemblies took place last term:

Fox class	Animals in World War 1
Squirrel class	Magic Finger
Badger class	Being Honest
Hedgehog class	Remembrance

Making a Positive Contribution

The children came to school in Christmas jumpers and raised £287.46 for 'Save the Children'. The Book Fair took place during December from which we raised a commission of £683 for the school which will be used to update the Library books and class book corners.

Achieving Economic Well-Being

Attendance Awards

Congratulations to the 66 children who received Bronze Attendance Awards for 100% attendance in the Autumn term - hopefully many of you will go on to win Silver Awards at the end of this term. Remember that if your child did not get a Bronze Award last term they can still win one for this term.

Term time leave

Term time leave has become such a concern throughout Brent schools that the Local Authority are now issuing fines for unauthorised travel, as the following guidance from the Educational Welfare Service explains: *'[In the event of unauthorised term time leave] the Educational Welfare Service may issue parents with a Formal Warning, an Educational Penalty Notice (EPN) or decide to prosecute. If you are issued with an EPN for unauthorised term time leave, you risk receiving a fine from the London Borough of Brent of between £60 and £120. Fines are issued to each parent for each child taken out of school. Failure to pay the notice may result in you being prosecuted at Willesden magistrates' court.'*

Diary Dates

09/02/2018	School breaks up for half term
19/02/2018	School re-opens
01/03/2018	Parents' evening
12/03/2018 to 16/03/2018	Book Fair
16/03/2018	Comic Relief
29/03/2018	School breaks up for Easter holidays
16/04/2018	School re-opens for the summer term

