



School Newsletter

Together We Make A Difference

Happy New Year to you all

We've had a great start to the Spring Term with competitions and events taking place, Portals to the Past visiting in Year 3 for their History focus, sporting activities being delivered to Early Years and Key Stage 1 and of course our 'Author week' last week where different classes partnered up to share information about their chosen author and to share some of the work they have been doing linked to them. As always it was a huge success and children continue to develop their love and enthusiasm for reading.



Although it may only be a short term we have crammed a lot in to give your children a wealth of experiences and opportunities.

We are pleased to announce there will be after-school clubs available for our younger children during the Spring Term; Football, Multi sports, Martial Arts.

I know that on the last parent surveys this was something that was raised.

KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR LETTERS COMING HOME WITH YOUR CHILD, SLIPS WILL NEED SIGNING AND RETURNING!



DIARY DATES Spring 2023

Parent's Evening

Early Years/Year 1 and 2
Tuesday 7th February

Years 3 - 6 - Wednesday 8th February

ATTENDANCE

We are pleased to say that although we have not hit our target of at least 96% there have been some improvements since returning and we are closer.

95.2%

Please continue to bring children to school on time, every day. Maybe one day we can reach **100%**

Roe Farm Values

Respectful

Optimistic

Enthusiastic

Friendly

Achievers

Resilient

Motivated



Our Values



continue to be reinforced throughout the day and celebrated during our 'Good Work' assembly every Friday.

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Children's Mental Health Week

Week beginning 6th February 2023

The theme this year is 'Let's Connect'



Let's Connect is about making meaningful connections for all, during Children's Mental Health Week - and beyond.

For Children's Mental Health Week 2023, it's about encouraging people to connect with others in healthy, rewarding, and meaningful ways.

To promote and celebrate this in school we are linking it closely to our 'Art'. Classes will be partnering up and developing their skills in textiles and sculpture to create and make a 'Worry Monster'. It will then be shared with their friends in their partner class and support with discussion around making connections and how certain circumstance make them feel.

We look forward to sharing some of the photos throughout the week and the end products children create.





ATTENDANCE



What does the law say?

By law, all children of compulsory school age (between 5 and 16) must receive a suitable, full time education. As a parent, you are responsible for making sure this happens, either by registering your child at a school or by making other arrangements which provide a suitable full time education.

What happens if your child does not attend school regularly?

Your child's school is responsible by law for reporting poor attendance to the LA. As a parent, you are committing an offence if you fail to make sure that your child attends school regularly, even if they are missing school without your knowledge.

Why is it important for children not to miss school?

Having a good education is important to ensure that they have the best opportunities in their adult life. They only get one chance at school, and your child's future may be affected by not attending school.

If children do not attend school regularly they may:

- * Struggle to keep up with school work. In a busy school day it is difficult for schools to find the extra time to help a child catch up.
- * Miss out on the social side of school life.
- * Poor attendance can affect children's ability to make and keep friendships; a vital part of growing up.
- * Setting good attendance patterns from an early age, from nursery through primary school will also help your child later on in their life.
- * Children who have a poor school attendance record may have less chance of securing a job when they are adults

What to do if your child is going to be absent from school:

As a school we have clear procedures in place to monitor and track the attendance of your children. Our Learning Mentor monitors attendance closely and works hard to ensure that these procedures are carefully followed and implemented in order to avoid involvement from our allocated Education Welfare Officer.

It is the responsibility of parents/families to contact the school whenever their child is absent.

School direct telephone number is - 01332 346310

or email address - admin@roefarm.derby.sch.uk

If school is unaware of the reason for absence then we are unable to authorise the absence.

Patterns and trends will be monitored and if we have concerns about the number of absences these will be reported to our Education Welfare Officer.

It is important that where possible any medical appointments or dental check-ups are made out of school hours.

Medical evidence will be requested if an appointment is in the school day.

WHERE A CHILD IS ABSENT FOR A FULL DAY TO ATTEND A MEDICAL APPOINTMENT THIS WILL BE UN-AUTHORISED FOR AT LEAST HALF OF THE DAY!