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ROSLIN NEWS



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CLASSES FOR NEXT SESSION

P1B - Mrs Blaikie P1H - Ms Herd P2 - Miss Jamieson P2/3 - Mrs McGrory P3 - Mrs Burton P3/4 - Mr Lavin P4 Miss Pow/Mr Swan P5 Mr Burt P6 Mrs Selfridge and Mrs Finlayson P6/7 Mr Deed P7 Mrs McAuley

Classes continue to change each session as new pupils arrive and the Roslin community grows.

STAFF NEWS

We are thrilled to let you know that Mrs James is pregnant and expecting her first baby in November. Mrs James is an exceptional Depute Head and will be much missed while is on Maternity Leave. In August we will be advertising for someone to cover while she is away and looking for a Principal Teacher too.

We are welcoming Miss Jamieson back as a newly qualified teacher. She was with us for 12 weeks in the Autumn in the P7 class has the makings of an excellent teacher. We also welcome back Mr Swan as part of the team. He began his teaching career in Roslin and has been supporting us with supply for the last couple of years.

We are currently also advertising for a new Early Years Practitioner and Learning Assistant for the Nursery as it is due to grow again in the Autumn.

We are however sad to be losing Mrs Hodgkin. She has been a wonderful part of the team this year and we would have liked to have her remain. She did very well at interview and has managed to secure a permanent position within Midlothian. We wish her well as she moves on and hope to see her again at some point.

FIRST DAY NEXT TERM

As we return the pupils may have forgotten where their new classroom will be. There will be signs on each classroom and other staff will be outside to welcome pupils and direct them.

We know that transitions can be difficult for some of the children and will try and keep things calm for the first few days.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 28th June End of Term 3.15pm (P7 pupils will be piped out 2.45pm-3.00pm)
- 5th July Mobile classrooms delivered
- 9th August Hand over of mobile classrooms to the school
- 14th and 15th August Staff return
- 16th August Pupils Returns

MRS NEMITZ

We would like to thank Mrs. Nemitz for her time volunteering in school as she prepares for teacher training. We wish her the best as she begins her course this Autumn knowing she is going to make an excellent teacher.

NEWSLETTER FEEDBACK

There is very mixed feedback from the last newsletter about the changes to Sports Day. A couple of parents expressed concerns that even from a young age boys and girls have different physical abilities. However research shows that pre-puberty there is little difference. One parent suggested that there are more mixed age races, this is something we will consider. Other parents welcomed the proposed changes as their children struggled, one commented that their child left feeling 'not good enough', something we would hope to change. We also need to consider the children in school who identify as non-binary as mixed races would support their inclusion.

inclusion. Thanks to everyone who took the time to feed back on this.

LEARNING AND TEACHING - OUTSTANDING LEARNER AWARD

We waited a while for the trophies to arrive so decided to award three Awards this term. These learners showed the attributes of a Midlothian Learner. Going forward we will award one award each term to children across the school.





CONGRATULATIONS

To our Facilities Manager - Ali, who climbed Ben Nevis recently to raise money to support those with Spina Bifida.

ESTABLISHMENT PHASE

In the first few weeks of the new session the learning focuses again on 'Learning about Learning' and resetting classroom expectations. The children will co-construct a classroom charter. There will also be a focus on Zones of Regulation and supporting learners to express their feelings and recognise the feelings of others. During this time the children will be focused on a limited, health and wellbeing focussed curriculum and there will be no homework.

FUNDRAISING

One easy way to support the school financially is by using the link below if you are making purchases from a range of retailers. This includes Tesco, John Lewis, Amazon, M&S and Argos. For more details - https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/roslinprimary/

COST OF THE SCHOOL DAY

We would like to continue to remind families that cost should never be a barrier to being part of all we do in school. On each of the forms that comes home asking for payment, there will be a box to mark if you would like the school to pay. We are happy to do this as we are aware of the pressure on families currently. There will be no questions, please just select that option. Please also be reminded of our foodbank store cupboard in the school foyer for anyone to help themselves from.

FEEDBACK LINK

We welcome any feedback on any of the content in the newsletter, the link will be open after each edition. https://forms.gle/msCmBAS3PEBFPv919.



NEW CLASSROOMS

The new classrooms are to be lifted onto site on 5th July. Internal work will follow and the spaces will be handed over to the school on 9th August ready for the new session. You will have seen the building work which has extended the tarmac area. Later this year we will have some play surface laid around the trees and a play structure in place to replace the tunnel and slide.

APPEAL FOR DONATIONS!

The nursery are looking for donations of any construction toys that you may no longer need. In particular they would welcome any Lego, Mobilo, Meccano, Sticklebricks, Kinect or Duplo.

HAPPY HOLIDAY

We would like to wish all of the families a happy holiday and we look forward to welcoming you back in August.

