Rufford Park Post





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Headteacher's news:

It has been a good week and school has been a hive of activity.

Our Reception filled up this week and by Wednesday all children were attending full time. At lunchtime on this day, I had a lovely conversation with a couple of our new children who were very proud that they had stayed in school all by themselves this week.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, our sports partners (Fisical) resumed teaching PE across the school. We have increased the time that Fisical are working with us this year and the coaches work along side the teachers to deliver high quality PE lessons. They will also be delivering some clubs during their time in school. On Thursday, Mr Spence held a 'come and try' cross-country event in advance of the first Saturday Leeds Schools Athletics Association race which will take place on Saturday 25 September at Middleton Park. As a school, Rufford Park, re-engaged with cross-country in Autumn of 2019 after an absence of many years and with no events running last year, I am excited that this is taking place once again.

The teachers enjoyed meeting parents in the drop-in sessions which took place on various evenings during the week. Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend. If you could not make it and you would like to speak to your child's class teacher, please contact us at any time via the office or through class email addresses.

The dates for your diary section is heavily populated with a number of important dates. Please make a note of these. The Nasal Flu Vaccine available for all Reception to Y6 children is over 3 weeks away but the deadline to <u>provide consent</u> is on Monday 20 September. Please make sure you action this if you have not done so already.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine tomorrow.



We have a very supportive and active PTA called Friends of Rufford Park (FORP). Please click on the image to the left if you want to get involved and join the team. The image to the right is the September Newsletter. The first meeting of the year is next Thursday at 7pm via Zoom.



Click below to see what has been happening in your child's class this week:

Nursery Reception Y1 Pear Y1/2 Lime Y2 Cherry

Y3 Willow Y3/4 Cedar Y4 Beech

Y5 Oak Y5/6 Ash Y6 Maple

Nursery places:

We have 15 hours and 30 hours places available for 3 year-olds in our teacher-led Nursery. Please contact the office to arrange a visit. If you know anyone who is looking for a



Nursery place then please spread the word. Thank you.

Applying for Reception 2022 places

If your child is starting school in September 2022, then we are now showing new families around during the school day. Please contact the office to arrange a tour of the school.

Applications for a place can be made from 1 November 2021 via the Leeds City Council Admissions Team and the deadline in 15 January 2022. To find out more about the school, please visit the September 2022 Applicants section of the website.

Summer Reading Challenge:

In assembly this morning, we announced the winners of the Summer Reading Challenge. The winning classes who have received £100 to spend on books for their class were:

KS1: Y2 Cherry Tree LKS2: Y4 Beech Tree UKS2: Y6 Maple Tree

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 20 Sept: Y3 visit to Murton Park

Tues 21 Sept: Y4 visit to Murton Park

Thurs 23 Sept: Y6 visit to Armley Mills

Thurs 23 Sept 7pm: FORP (PTA) meeting

Fri 24 Sept: Y5 visit to Armley Mills

<u>Sat 25 Sept</u>: X-Country Middleton Park <u>Thurs 6 & Fri 7 Oct</u>: KS1 history workshop

Mon 11 Oct: R-Y6 Nasal Flue Vaccine Tues 12 Oct 3:40-7:00pm & Wed 13 Oct

3:40-6:00pm: Parents' Evening

Mon 1 Nov: Deadline for applying for Reception September 2022 places.