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NEWSLETTER – February 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Most of you will have seen me outside the front of the school most mornings in my hi-vis jacket! While this is a lovely way for me to continue getting to know everyone and meet and greet the children, my primary reason for being out there is to monitor our ongoing traffic issues. Please can I take this opportunity to thank those of you who have realised that and have stopped driving down Hawkins Close. I have noticed that more families are now parking further away and walking in, which makes the close much safer for your children. The grass area outside the school was being churned up by vehicles driving over it to turn around, which is not acceptable. For this reason, we place our parking signs on the grass. Legally, the yellow zig zag lines are no different to yellow lines and they should not be parked on. I am not a traffic warden and I am not going to ask you to move on, but you all know that it is illegal to park on the zig zags within the specified times and by doing so, you reduce visibility and endanger lives. We are hoping to take delivery of more parking signs soon, which will be placed in areas that will make it difficult to park and turn outside the school, so please just consider not coming down here at all. We are doing this to keep your children safe, not to make your lives more difficult.

With regards

Mrs Sally Dreckmann

Parent Consultations

The lists for parent consultations are now outside each classroom for parents to sign up to for an appointment to see the class teacher. There will be a ten-minute slot for each appointment.

Maths Week

The children will be taking part in a wide variety of active maths activities this week and playing different maths games in class.



Just a reminder if children can bring in their pictures or photographs of their 2D or 3D animals by Wednesday please. These will be judged by our Linking Voices. We will also be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 7th February with an optional fine of £1.00. This money will be used to boost our maths resources in school. The children can wear something shape or number themed if they wish, such as a spotty t-shirt covered in circles or a football kit with numbers on the back.

Valentines Disco - Wednesday 26th February

The PTA have arranged for a Valentines disco to be held on Wednesday 26th February.

Tickets will be available from the office from 10th February. The price is £2.50 a ticket which includes entrance to the disco, a drink and biscuit.

The Reception disco will be held from 4.00 - 5.00 pm and the Year 1 and 2 disco will be from 5.15 - 6.15 pm

Fairtrade Fortnight

Fairtrade fortnight starts on Monday 24th February. We will be talking to the children about Fairtrade products and how we can support farmers across the World.

We would like you to look out for the Fairtrade logo on the food you purchase and to bring in some examples of packaging for a display in school.



The 'Underpants Rule'

As part of our safeguarding curriculum, the children have been taught about the 'pants rule' through the advice from the NSPCC. Please look at the following link to find out more and share the song with your children.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/underwear-rule/>

Reception 'Creative Stay and Play' Session

On Wednesday 4th March, reception parents are very welcome to stay for as long as they like after drop off for a creative 'stay and play' session.

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March

To celebrate world book day, we would like the children to come to school in their pyjamas on 5th March and to bring in their favourite bedtime story. Children are very welcome to bring in slippers to wear at school but will also need appropriate footwear for outside play. A world book day book token will be given to each child later in the month.



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Year 1 Grand Designs Project

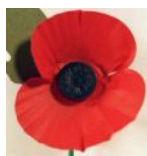
Dee and Gale from Henry Adams will be visiting the school on Thursday 6th February to launch Year 1's Grand Design project. They will be returning on Monday 9th March to present prizes to the winners of the best shoebox rooms.

All Year 1 parents are welcome to stay on the morning of Wednesday 4th March to help the children make their shoebox rooms.

If you have any shoeboxes, matchboxes, other small boxes, cotton reels, buttons, yoghurt pots, etc. to make furniture, Year 1 would be very grateful! Please could these be brought into school on the 4th March. Thank you.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

We have just been notified that we collected £138.15 for the British Legion back in November. Thank you for your support.



Cake Sales

A big 'thank you' to those parents who very kindly donated and bought cakes for the Reception Cake Sale on



Thursday 23rd January. An amazing £98.50 was raised which the reception classes will be using to buy a new wooden playhouse for Sensory Way. This is also being part funded by the PTA.

Year 1 will be holding their Cake Sale on Friday 20th March from 3.00 pm in the playground.

PTA Quiz Night

Please see attached details of a PTA Quiz Night for adults on Friday 13th March. We had one of these events last year and it was really successful - a great fun night. A copy of the entry form is also available from the school office. Please could they be returned by no later than 28th February.

Easyfundraising

Do you shop online? Please see the attached sheet about an easy way to raise funds for the school.

PE Kit for Outside PE

Please can you make sure your child has a full PE kit in school every day. This should include leggings or joggers and plimsolls or trainers, as we will be going outside for PE as the weather improves. Please make sure that everything is clearly NAMED!

Just a reminder that the children in Reception will need a full PE kit in school after half term.

Governor News

We would like to say a very big thank you and goodbye to Mrs Sarah Francis who is leaving us after four years of being a governor at our school, three of which she was Co-Chair. We would also like to welcome Mrs Emma Ide who has recently been appointed as a Co-opted Governor on our Governing Body and is also going to be our joint Co-Chair alongside Mr Nanson.

We had three nominations for the Parent Governor Vacancy and so ballot papers are coming home this week, to be returned by midday on Friday 14th February. We will notify you of the outcome after half term.

Wish Lists

For creative week, the year groups are after the following:

Reception: paper plates, feathers, buttons, tissue paper, flowers, sticky googly eyes.

Year 1: shoeboxes, bottle tops/lids, old wallpaper, felt - brown, white, cream, beige - red pipe cleaners, small (matchbox size) boxes, carpet sections, shiny mirrored paper, blue/green sequins

Year 2: shiny paper, sequins, ribbons, beads, newspapers, boxes (junk modelling), buttons.

In addition to the above, the Reception classes are after the following: -

- Wooden/kitchen utensils
- Old cutlery - spoons, teaspoons
- Old saucepans, bowls, tin trays, cupcake trays, sieves, plastic cups, bowls, plastic jugs, washing up bowls
- Shells, pine cones, pebbles
- Flower pots, seeds
- Plastic spades and buckets
- Children's prams, pushchairs
- Baby things - clothes, dolls etc.
- Watering cans
- Play figures, animals, cars

For maths week, the Year 2 classes are also after:

- junk modelling boxes
- old straws
- playdough

Any donations gratefully received. Thank you!

School Website

Have you looked at our new website recently? It's a great way of keeping up to date on what is happening at the school. Visit www.rosegreeninfant.school to have a look.

Thank You!

We would like to say a very big 'thank you' to everyone who has helped the PTA raise the money to purchase 30 new chrome books for the school. Year 1 have already started using them to research facts about pigs and wolves for their topic work. They will make a big difference in our provision of cross curricular computing.



Makaton Magic

Please see the attached sheet showing the signs the children have been learning during January. Further information on Makaton can be found on the following link <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/joinin/something-special-getting-started-with-makaton>





P.T.A. QUIZ NIGHT AND RAFFLE

Including a Fish and chip Supper

Friday 13th March 7.00pm for 7.30pm start

Make up your own team of **4 - 6 people**, of family & friends.

They don't have to have a connection with the school.

However, sorry no children though. This is a fun night for mums and dads!

Price £10.00 per head, which includes a choice of
Fish/Sausage or Vegetarian Bean Burger & Chips
Bring your own drink!

Questions are fun and are not too serious, or taxing!!!

Please complete and return the enclosed slip to the school office together with
the cash, or a cheque made payable to **Rose Green Infants PTA**
Last date for entry is 28th February

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Contact Name Child's Class Name E-mail Address

I/We would like to enter a team of people and enclose a cheque / cash for £

Please include us in (name's) TEAM NAME

Our food choice is as follows:-

No of Fish & Chips..... No of Sausage & Chips No of Bean Burger & Chips



Do you shop online? Yes?

PLEASE HELP. ITS FREE AND WILL HELP TO RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR SCHOOL !!

Please can you look at the Easyfundraising website as the potential is huge! As an example, if you wanted to buy a book from Amazon for £10, first log onto the Easyfundraising website and then click on the link for Amazon. You will be directed to the usual Amazon website (including all their discounts etc.). **You can then purchase the book as usual.** The benefit for you / the school is that the school gets 2.5% of the purchase value. That only equates to 25p, but if all parents sign up and order items throughout the year it will soon mount up. There are over 2,700 retailers linked from this website including ...

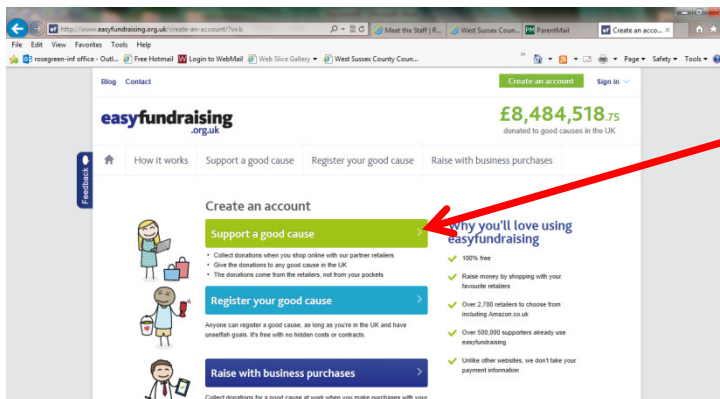
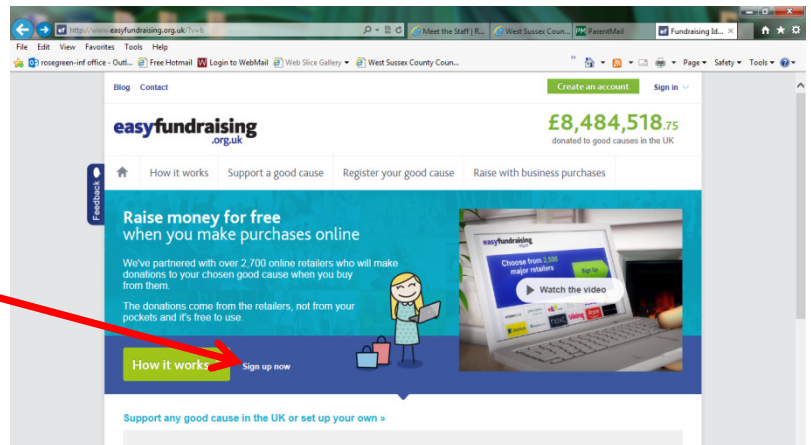


WANT TO HELP? It's so easy.

Simply go to

www.easyfundraising.org.uk

and click on "Sign up now"



Click "Support a good cause" and then type Rose Green Infant School into the search and then click "Support this cause", fill in your details and then shop!

Any commission you earn will automatically be sent to our account every 3 months.

Any that's it! Once you have registered you just log on every time you shop online. You can even see how much you have raised and the total raised so far.

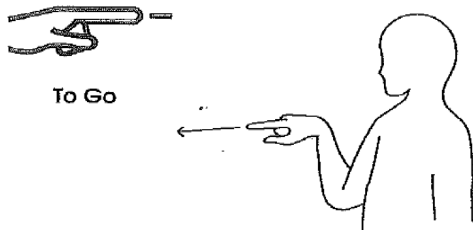
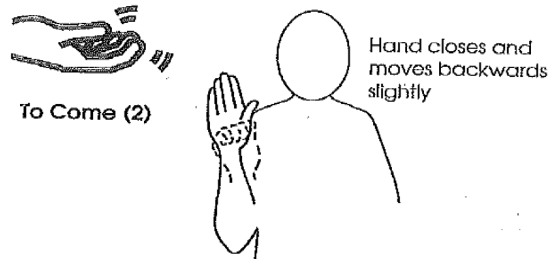
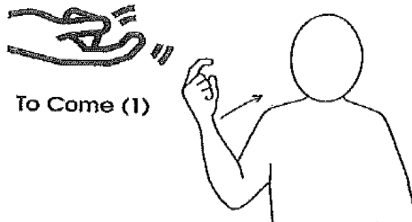
Please give it a try – if you need help registering just call into the office. We have put a link to Easyfundraising on the school website too.

Thank you so much!

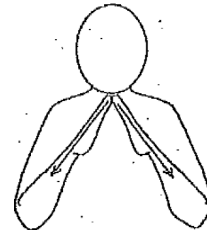


Makaton

We have been learning the following signs this month



House



Toilet





COFFEE, CAKE, INFORMATION & NETWORKING 2020

Back by popular demand, we will be running this event in 5 locations in 2020:

WEDNESDAY 15th JANUARY
TUESDAY 11th FEBRUARY
WEDNESDAY 25th MARCH
WEDNESDAY 17th JUNE
WEDNESDAY 7th OCTOBER

The Charis Centre, Crawley
The Phoenix Centre, Bognor Regis
Clare Hall, Haywards Heath
Billingshurst Centre, Billingshurst
Worthing Rugby Club, Angmering

10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Drop in, meet different providers and professionals and find out how to start using services. The professionals are here to support you and your family on your journey with your child or young person with SEND.

These events are FREE!

Children are welcome

Travel costs for parent carers can be reimbursed

Free parking available

West Sussex SEND Information,
Advice and Support Service

Providing impartial advice and support to
young people with special educational needs
and/or disabilities, and their parent carers

SENDIAS Face to face Sessions

Up and coming sessions for parent carers:

FRIDAY 7th FEBRUARY 2019 – CHICHESTER AREA
Chichester C&FC, St James' Road, Chichester, PO19 7AB (For SatNav use PO19 7HY)

WEDNESDAY 26th FEBRUARY 2019 – HORSHAM AREA
The Needles Children and Family Centre, Three Acres, Horsham, RH12 1RS

TUESDAY 10th MARCH 2020 – EAST GRINSTEAD AREA
East Grinstead Blackwells Children and Family Centre,
Blackwell Farm Rd, East Grinstead RH19 3JL

FRIDAY 13th MARCH 2020 – HORSHAM AREA
Pulborough Children and Family Centre, Pulborough Village Hall,
Swan View, Lower Street, Pulborough, RH20 2BF

Would you like to attend a face to face session?

Following your feedback, we have arranged face to face parent carer support sessions across the county with our Advisors where we can give you free, confidential and impartial information and advice on your individual situation.

To book a session on Eventbrite, please copy the following link into your web browser: <https://bit.ly/2ZnKvEH>

Please make sure that you have chosen the correct venue & time that you wish to book.

If you are unable to book on line, please contact the
West Sussex SEND Information, Advice and Support Service on 0330 222 8555
or email: SEND.IAS@westsussex.gov.uk

Dates for your Diary - more details to follow (New dates in *Red*)

Event	Date	Time
Maths Week	3 rd - 7 th February	
Maths 'non-uniform' day	Friday 7 th February	All day
Internet Safety Day	Tuesday 11 th February	All day
Parent Consultations	Tuesday 11 th February	2.30 - 5.00 pm
	Wednesday 12 th February	2.30 - 5.00 pm
	Thursday 13 th February	2.30 - 7.00 pm
Half term	17 th - 21 st February	
Fairtrade fortnight	24 th February - 6 th March	
Valentines Disco	Wednesday 26 th February 4.00 - 5.00 pm - Reception 5.15 - 6.15 pm - Year 1 & 2	
Creative Week	2 nd - 6 th March	
Year 1 - 'stay and make' shoebox rooms with your child's class	Wednesday 4 th March	8.50 am
World Book Day	Thursday 5 th March	
Presentation to the winners of the best Year 1 shoebox room	Monday 9 th March	2.30 pm
'The Big Sing' at the Arena	Thursday 12 th March	9.30 am
PTA Quiz Night	Friday 13 th March	7.00 pm
Sport Relief	Friday 13 th March	All day
Year 1 Cake Sale	Friday 20 th March	3.00 pm
Dance House Festival at the Alexandra Theatre, Bognor	Tuesday 24 th March	6.00 pm (rehearsal in afternoon)
Reception visiting Staunton Country Park	Thursday 26 th March	
Non-uniform day and bring in a Easter egg donation for PTA tombola	Monday 30 th March	All day
Year 1 concert for parents	Tuesday 31 st March	2:15 pm
Year 1 concert for parents (no babies or pre-school children)	Wednesday 1 st April	9:15 am
Working with Others Spring Event	Thursday 2 nd April	am
PTA Easter tombola	Friday 3 rd April	3.00 pm
Easter holidays	6 th - 17 th April	
Start of Summer Term	Monday 20 th April	
PTA Bunny Bounce	Tuesday 21 st April	am
Year 2 Infant Agility at the Arena	Friday 24 th April	9.30 - 11.30 am
Year 1 Class assemblies for parents	Thursday 7 th May - Butterfly	2.30 pm
	Thursday 14 th May - Hedgehog	2.30 pm
	Thursday 21 st May - Ladybird	2.30 pm
BANK HOLIDAY	Friday 8 th May	
Class photos	Wednesday 13 th May	All morning
Walk to School Week	18 th - 22 nd May	
Half term	25 th - 29 th May	
INSET Day	Monday 1 st June	
New Parents Meeting	Tuesday 9 th June	7.00 pm
Phonics testing week	8 th - 12 th June	
Year 1 Summer Sports at the Arena	Friday 12 th June	9.00 - 11.30 am
School Grounds week	15 th - 19 th June	

Reception Celebration Assembly for parents	Thursday 11 th June	2:15 pm
Reception Celebration Assembly for parents (no babies or pre-school children)	Friday 12 th June	9:15 am
PTA Summer Fair	Friday 12 th June	5.00 - 7.00 pm
Reception Sports morning and picnic lunch	Tuesday 16 th June	10.30 - 1.00 pm
Year 1 Sports morning and picnic lunch	Wednesday 17 th June	10.30 - 1.00 pm
Year 2 Sports morning and picnic lunch	Thursday 18 th June	10.30 - 1.00 pm
Reception Huff & Puff at the Arena	Monday 22 nd June	9.15 - 11.15 am
National Sports Week	22 nd - 26 th June	
Reserve Reception Sports morning & picnic lunch	Tuesday 23 rd June	10.30 - 1.00 pm
Reserve Year 1 Sports morning & picnic lunch	Wednesday 24 th June	10.30 - 1.00 pm
Reserve Year 2 Sports morning & picnic lunch	Thursday 25 th June	10.30 - 1.00 pm
Teddy Bear's Picnic	Monday 29 th June	
Transition Day	Wednesday 1 st July	
Thank you Assembly KS1 for invited parent helpers	Thursday 2 nd July	9:10 am
Thank you Assembly Reception for invited parent helpers	Thursday 2 nd July	2:30 pm
Story Time for new Reception	Tuesday 7 th July	2.15 - 2.45 pm
Year Two Concert for parents	Wednesday 8 th July	2.15 - 2.55 pm
Year Two Concert for parents (no babies or pre-school children)	Thursday 9 th July	9.10 - 9.50 am
Reports to be sent home	Friday 10 th July	
Outdoor Play Day	Tuesday 14 th July	All day
Open afternoon	Wednesday 15 th July	2:15 pm
Year 2 Leavers Disco	TBC	
Last day of term	Friday 17 th July	
Inset Day	Monday 20 th July	
Start of Autumn Term	Monday 7 th September (Thursday 3 rd & Friday 4 th September are Inset Days)	