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NEWSLETTER – May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

The summer term is a busy time for us at school. We recently received our new intake list for September so we now need to work out which classes to put them in! We are also currently looking at our staffing structure for September. As always, we will ensure that those children who may need some extra support with transitioning to a new class get this, tailored to meet their individual needs.

With regards

Mrs Sally Dreckmann

PTA News

The PTA are busily starting to plan for our Summer Fair, which will be held this year on Friday 3rd July between 5.00 - 7.00 pm - more details to follow. In the meantime, they are looking for families who are happy to volunteer to have a 'For Sale' style sign put into their garden temporarily to advertise the fair. They are also looking for volunteers to help with running the stalls on the day (please can you let the PTA or the school office know if you can help). A PTA meeting to plan the fair has been arranged for Wednesday 20th May at 6.30 pm in school; if you can join us, it would be great to have some new ideas!



The PTA raised an amazing £2401.70 following the sponsored bunny bounce before Easter. Thank you so much for your support. This money will be used to fund our School Library Service subscription, so we can continue to have a range of their books in our school, which are changed termly.

Walk to School Week

National 'Walk to school week' is taking place between the 18th - 22nd May this year. We know that walking to school makes children feel healthier and happier, while reducing



congestion and pollution outside the school gates. We hope you can take part in this initiative. The classes will be recording how each child travels to school during that week.

Talking of traffic, thank you to those of you who have stopped parking in Hawkins Close, especially on the yellow lines. It makes such a difference to safety.

Sports Afternoons

We are very much looking forward to our sports afternoons later this month and hope you will be able to join us (please see diary of dates for each Year Group date). Please can you ensure that your child has their PE kit in school on these dates and that their trainers/plimsolls still fit!

Forest School

With the weather getting warmer, please can we remind parents of the need for children to still wear long sleeved tops and full-length trousers during their Forest school sessions, to ensure that arms and legs are fully protected. As we move into the summer months, a sun hat and sun cream will also be essential. Please do not worry about your children getting too hot with long sleeves and legs because most of the forest school area is in the shade!

Sun Safe Information

Now that the summer will shortly be upon us, we wanted to remind you about our sun safe policy. We



have developed this to ensure that we can all enjoy the sun safely over the coming months. The sun's rays are particularly strong over the summer and they can damage children's skin. This may not seem like a problem right now, but it can lead to skin cancer in later life. Your child's health and well-being are very important to us, which is why we: -

- Spend time learning about sun protection.
- Provide shade in the playground.
- Encourage pupils to wear fully brimmed sun hats (not baseball caps) when outside.
- Encourage pupils to use at least SPF 25 sunscreen in summer months.

More details of these and other sun protection plans can be found in our sun safe policy, which can be found on our [website](#).

You can help by: -

- Talking to your child about the importance of sun protection at home.
- Sending your child to school with a wide-brimmed sun hat (not a baseball cap, which offers little protection to the back of the neck).
- Putting sunscreen on your child before they come to school each day during the summer months.

Reception's Vegetable Garden

The Early Years children and staff would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to Barfoots for their generosity in creating an incredible vegetable garden in our outdoor space. This partnership is very exciting as Barfoots are able to share their legacy of inspiring children about growing veg and sustainable farming practises and our children can participate in growing and caring for plants, sampling their harvests and promoting healthy eating. A special mention to Kim, Kennedy, Alex and Karolina who have helped in the creation of our garden and are supporting us regularly as we move forward. We can't wait to see how it develops!



Milk in School

Just a reminder that children currently receive free school milk until their fifth birthday through the Government's school milk scheme. After this point, the entitlement ends. This means that within the same Reception class some children continue receiving milk while others do not, depending on when their birthday falls. As a school, we're supporting the Fair Milk for a Fair Start campaign, which calls for a simple change so all children can receive free school milk until the end of their Reception year. Find out more or show your support by visiting <https://fairmilkfairstart.com/>

Celebration Assembly

Each week on a Friday, two children from each class are awarded a badge to tie in with our special five words - responsible, resilient, motivated, independent and creative. These badges are collected in on a Friday morning ready to be given to the next child at an assembly in the afternoon. Please can the children bring them back otherwise we will not have enough for the next week; several have already been lost or broken. Thank you.

Sickness in School

Could I please remind you all that you should notify us before 8.45 am on the first day of absence - there is an answerphone if you are ringing out of school hours or you can use My Child at School. If the absence is extended, we would appreciate it if you could keep us updated. For our records, **please can you specify your child's reason for absence rather than saying they are 'unwell'**. A reminder that children will need to be kept off school for 48 hours following any sickness or diarrhoea.

Summer's Coming!!

When summer finally arrives:

- May we remind you, for health and safety reasons, children must wear sensible summer shoes - no open-toed sandals and no heels,

platforms, crocs or jelly shoes please. Socks must be worn.

- We have lots of second-hand summer uniform for sale - red gingham dresses for £1.00.

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

Event	Date	Time
Bank Holiday	Monday 4 th May	
Year 2 Visit to Marwell Zoo	Thursday 7 th May	All day
Emotional Regulation Workshop for parents	Tuesday 12 th May	2.00 pm
Oak Class & half of Willow Class to Portfield Primary for sports afternoon	Tuesday 12 th May	pm
Welcome Wednesday	Wednesday 13 th May	2.30 pm
'Amazing Animals' visiting Year 1	Thursday 14 th May	am
Walk to School Week	w/c 18 th May	
Reception Sports Afternoon	Monday 18 th May	2.00 - 3.00 pm
Year 1 visiting St Richard's Church	Tuesday 19 th May	10.00 am
PTA Planning meeting to discuss the Summer Fair	Wednesday 20 th May	6.30 pm
Year 1 Sports Afternoon	Wednesday 20 th May	1.30 - 3.00 pm
Year 2 Sports Afternoon	Thursday 21 st May	1.30 - 3.00 pm
Half Term	25 th - 30 th May	
Inset Day	Monday 1 st June	
Phonics Testing Week	w/c 8 th June	
Sycamore Class & half of Willow Class to Portfield Primary for sports afternoon	Wednesday 10 th June	pm
Sports Week	w/c 15 th June	
New Reception Intake Parent meeting	Monday 15 th June	7.00 pm
Year 2 visiting Junior School for creative morning	Tuesday 16 th June	am
Reserve Reception Sports Afternoon	Monday 22 nd June	2.00 - 3.00 pm
Year 2 visiting Junior School for sports afternoon	Monday 22 nd June	pm
Reserve Year 1 Sports Afternoon	Wednesday 24 th June	1.30 - 3.00 pm
Reserve Year 2 Sports Afternoon	Thursday 25 th June	1.30 - 3.00 pm
Transition Day	Wednesday 1 st July	All day
PTA Summer Fair	Friday 3 rd July	5.00 - 7.00 pm
New parent's meeting for Year 2 parents at the Junior School	Monday 6 th July	4.30 pm
School Reports to go home	Friday 10 th July	
Maths Week	w/c 6 th July	
Summer Fair	tbc	
Open Afternoon	Tuesday 14 th July	2.15 - 3.15 pm
Year 2 Concert for parents	Wednesday 15 th July	2.00 pm
Year 2 Concert for parents (no babies or pre-school children)	Thursday 16 th July	9.00 am
Year 2 Leaver's Disco	Thursday 16 th July	4.00 - 5.15 pm
Outside Playday	Friday 17 th July	All day
Year 2 Leaver's Assembly (for parents)	Wednesday 22 nd July	9.00 am
Last day of Term	Wednesday 22 nd July	

Dear Parents & Carers,

I am a postdoctoral researcher in Psychology at Oxford Brookes University. We are currently conducting research on how children assess their own learning and what factors might influence their enjoyment and willingness to exert effort. This project (PIs: Dr. Sunae Kim, Prof. Charles Hulme, Prof. Paul Harris) is funded by a Leverhulme Grant.

Your child's participation in this study will greatly contribute to our understanding of how children learn flexibly. As a way to thank you for your participation, all families will be entered into a prize draw to win one of two £50 Amazon vouchers. Your child will receive an online certificate upon completing the study. The study has been approved by the University Research Ethics Committee [reference number: 241858].

We will schedule an online video call session during which your child will complete a computerised puzzle task. Once the session begins, parents may choose to remain present. The entire session will last approximately 40 minutes (though your child can stop the session early if they so wish). If you would like your child to participate in the study, please click the link below or scan the QR code. This will direct you to the participant information sheet, which details the study information and includes a section where you can provide your email address to schedule the video session.

https://brookeshls.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cumFaXxh66RdQDc

Please note, if you are interested in signing up but worry that you have a lack of availability in the immediate future, please don't hesitate to sign-up! The study will be running until Summer 2026, so we can schedule your participation for a later convenient date.



Thank you for your valuable help!

Nathan Pond
Post Doctoral Research Assistant
Oxford Brookes University

ROSE GREEN INFANT SCHOOL

SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2026



Our Designated Safeguarding Leads

All schools are required to have a Safeguarding Team. Their role is to oversee Child Protection and Safeguarding across the school.

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Welcome to the second edition of Rose Green Infant School's Safeguarding Newsletter. We already send regular online safety messages and half termly SEND newsletters, but this is to share other information around safeguarding, mental health and wellbeing.

'Safe Adults'

We talk to your children regularly about what they could do if they are feeling worried about something at school or at home. Historically, we have often used the phrase 'trusted adults', however recent advice from the NSPCC suggests that in fact trust is an abstract term, based on personal experiences, and a better word to use with children and young people is 'safe'. If you are interested in finding out more about the reasons, there is a short article on the NSPCC website that explains it really clearly—click [here](#) to access.

Have you seen the Safeguarding pages on our school website? You can find a copy of our policy and other key information, as well as links to other useful websites.

Click [here](#) to go to the Safeguarding pages.

What is a Young Carer?

A young carer is someone under 18 who takes on responsibilities normally handled by an adult. They may help care for a parent, sibling or other family member who is ill, disabled, or struggling with their mental health.

Their responsibilities can include:

- Helping with household tasks like washing and cleaning
- Giving medication or assisting with personal care
- Attending medical appointments
- Looking after younger siblings
- Supporting a parent with physical or emotional health
- Managing their own self-care

Every young carer's experience is different but all deserve recognition and support.



Young Carers

WSSC currently have a focus on Young Carers—we have some training in September already booked, to support us in helping to identify and support young carers in our school. Please let us know if you think your child is a young carer.