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NEWSLETTER – March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Although we live in an increasingly diverse community, I always think that it is good for children to know what is beyond their doorstep and so I have used links I established in my previous headship to forge a new link, between Rose Green Infant School and a school called Kasimba Lwala Primary in Kenya. We are in the early stages of the relationship; they have sent some photographs which I shared with the children, including one of a classroom where they only have a roof - no walls or windows until they can afford to continue with the construction. A link like this is mutually beneficial; we will fundraise for them (the money from the collections at this term's Year 1 concerts will be sent to them) and send them letters, photos and pictures each term and they will write back to us, so we can learn about one another's cultures, school life, weather and food, to name a few examples. This term Year 2 have written to the children in Kenya and then next term it will be the turn of Year 1.

With regards

Mrs Sally Dreckmann

Fairtrade Fortnight (21st February - 6th March)

We are still collecting examples of Fairtrade packaging if you would like to bring any in for a display in school.



World Book Day

Just a reminder that children may come into school in their pyjamas and

bring in their favourite bedtime story on Thursday 3rd March to celebrate world book day.

Non-Uniform Day

Many thanks to everyone who donated towards our non-uniform day on Wednesday 16th February. We raised an amazing £260.85 which will be used towards purchasing some outdoor plants for our sensory garden.

Year 1 Grand Designs Project

All the Year 1 children are busy making their shoebox rooms this week. Year 1 parents are invited to join their children for a special assembly at 2.30 pm on Wednesday 30th March where the winners of the best shoebox rooms will be announced.

Year 1 Concerts

Two Year 1 concerts have been arranged for the 5th and 6th April. Tickets will be available for these concerts from the class teachers on Monday 21st March. There will be a total of two tickets available per child. Please note that pre-school children will only be admitted to the 2.00 p.m. performance on Tuesday 5th April. Thank you.

Red Nose Day - Friday 18th March

We are once again supporting this worthwhile charity. Children may come to school dressed in non-school uniform, if they wish, and bring in a £1 donation for Comic Relief.



PTA News

The PTA have organised an adult only quiz night with food on Friday 25th March. We have held these in the past and they have always been great fun. An entry form is attached to this newsletter or a paper copy can be collected from the school office. Please can these be returned as soon as possible as we need to notify the caterer of numbers. Thank you.



Many thanks to those children who have returned their cake design entries. The PTA have extended the deadline for returning these due to the school closure before half term. Please can all entries be returned to their class teacher by Monday 7th March. The winning cake design from each class will win a small prize. A voluntary entry fee of £1.00 is welcomed.

We were so sorry not to be able to hold a 'crazy hair day' on the last day of term. This has now been rearranged for Friday 8th April. We look forward to seeing your lovely 'creations' then.

SATs Testing

During the first half of the Summer Term, all Year 2 children will be taking the end of Key Stage 1 tests. This comprises of two reading papers and two maths papers. Examples of past papers can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-curriculum-assessments-practice-materials>.

In school we do not tell the children that they are taking these tests and make them part of our everyday work.

Phonics Screen

The Year 2 children who did not meet the threshold in the Autumn term, and all the Year 1 children will be doing the Phonics screen in the week commencing 6th June, so it is vital that all the children are in school at this time. Thank you.

Staffing News

We would like to send a fond farewell to Miss Becky Shackleton who left us at February half term after working at the school since 2007 as a Teaching Assistant. We wish her every happiness in her future adventures.

We would like to welcome Mrs Lorraine Legg and Mrs Hannah Morris who have been appointed to deliver one-to-one Teaching Assistant support.

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

Event	Date	Time
Fairtrade Fortnight	Monday 21 st February - 6 th March	
Creative Week	Monday 28 th February - Friday 4 th March	
World Book Day	Thursday 3 rd March	
Red Nose Day (non-uniform)	Friday 18 th March	
PTA Quiz Night	Friday 25 th March	
Presentation to the winners of the best Year 1 shoebox room	Wednesday 30 th March	2.30 pm
Year 1 Concert	Tuesday 5th April	2.00 pm
Year 1 Concert (no babies or pre-school children)	Wednesday 6th April	9.15 am
PTA 'crazy hair' day	Friday 8th April	
Easter Holidays	Monday 11 th - Friday 22 nd April	
Start of the Summer Term	Monday 25 th April	



P.T.A. QUIZ NIGHT AND RAFFLE

Including food

Friday 25th 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
Sausage, Chicken Nuggets, Chicken Burger or
Vegetarian Burger & Chips

Bring your own drink and glasses!

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 11th March

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Contact NameChild'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:

Number of Sausage & Chips..... Number of Chicken Nuggets & Chips

Number of Chicken Burger & Chips Number of Vegetarian Burger & Chips