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NEWSLETTER – March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am absolutely thrilled to have all the children back together in school. Yet again they have astounded us with their positive attitude and resilience. Please don't worry about them 'catching up'. They will very quickly start to make progress again. My personal opinion is that you cannot compare these children now, in terms of where they 'should be', against children who have had two uninterrupted years of schooling to get where they 'should be'. It is our job now to assess where they are, identify their gaps in learning and begin to address them through high quality teaching, support and intervention, both within and outside of class. This will enable them to make progress within their own context and they will get there, but it needs to be without the pressure and scaremongering that we are currently seeing in the press.

With regards Mrs Sally Dreckmann

PTA Fundraising

The PTA have advised us that the total raised for the Christmas fundraising events held during December is £1,200. This is a fantastic amount especially considering we were unable to hold our annual Christmas Fair this year. Thank you everyone for your support. The PTA used some of the money to purchase the children's presents from Father Christmas and a new pump for the school pond. A big thank you to everyone who helped in any way, especially to those who collected/donated raffle prizes and made up the lovely Christmas hampers. We would also like to thank Mrs Labrum for kindly donating her profits from her Body Shop at home business.

We were also very fortunate to have received a grant of £350 from Pagham Parish Council. This money has been used to help tidy the school grounds including clearing and renovating the pond area.



Just a reminder that the clothing bank situated outside the front of the school office not only supports local charities but raised us £48.00 during the Autumn Term. Please keep putting your books, toys, clothes, bric-a-brac etc. inside. Thank you.

The PTA have plans to continue fundraising in a safe way through the rest of the school year. They will be in contact once they have finalised their plans for Easter events.

Finally, the PTA is always on the lookout for committee members, so please contact the school if you would like to be involved in supporting this aspect of school life.

Christmas Jumper Day

It seems such a long time ago now, but the children had a lovely day on Friday 11th December wearing

their
Christmas
jumpers. We
raised
£221.00 which
we have sent
to the "Save
the Children
Fund" appeal.



PE

Reception PE Kit

Just a reminder that the children in Reception will need a full PE kit in school after the Easter holidays. This should consist of green shorts, red or white t-shirt, plimsolls or trainers and jogging bottoms - all <u>named</u> and in a drawstring bag. There is a special deal if you order online with our uniform supplier School Trends - green shorts, red T-shirt and a bag for £13.16 (just go to the school website

www.rosegreeninfant.school and click on the Uniform link under the parents/carers heading). Orders placed will be delivered direct to parent's home addresses, subject to a delivery charge of £2.99. Please note that orders can take up to 21 days to arrive at the moment due to limitations as a result of the pandemic. A limited amount of school uniform is also available to purchase from the school office.

Please make sure all uniform is named - including shoes/plimsolls/trainers. Thank you.

Year 1 PE

Year 1 don't need to bring in their PE kits until after the Easter holidays - they will do some PE activities, but in school uniform for the rest of the term.

Year 2 PE

Year 2 need to come to school in their PE kits on a <u>Friday</u> from now until the end of the term and then they will need to bring in their PE kits after the Easter holidays.

Red Nose Day - Friday 19th March



We are once again supporting this worthwhile charity. Children may come to school dressed as their favourite superhero, or simply in

non-school uniform if they wish, on Friday 19^{th} March, and bring in a £1 donation for Comic Relief. There will be collection buckets on the gate and on the playground at both ends of the day on that date.

Easyfundraising

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

Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor at our school, with a term of office of four years. Further details including a nomination form will be sent home shortly.

Parent Consultations

Unfortunately, due to the covid restrictions, we have been unable to hold our usual parent consultations in February this year. We aim for these to take place in May, once the children have settled back into school routine for a while. More information will be sent home nearer the time.

Reception Wish List

As Spring is on its way, you might be thinking about having a clear out? If you have any of the following items that you don't use or need anymore, please could you bring them into school for us? Thank you!

- Bits of hose pipe
- Buckets- any size
- Action figures
- Dolls and clothes
- Fun hats
- Sunglasses
- Umbrellas- any size
- Waistcoats
- Ties
- Role play builders yard items
- Ribbon
- Material
- Bells
- Dressing up clothes and shoes
- Craft materials
- Recycled materials

The Reception classes are also after any spare pants/tights/socks if you have any at home. Could we also ask that you return any spare clothes you have borrowed from school once they have been washed. Many thanks.

Dates for your Diary

Usually we would have lots of events going on in the Summer Term, but at this point in time we are not able to forward plan as we do not know what we will be safely allowed to do. As the term progresses, we will update you on new events, trying to give as much notice as possible.

Event	Date	Time
Easter holidays	2 nd - 16 th April	
Start of Summer Term	Monday 19 th April	
BANK HOLIDAY	Monday 3 rd May	
Class Photos	Thursday 13 th May	
Walk to School Week	17 th - 21 st May	
Half term	31st May - 4th June	
INSET Day	Monday 7 th June	
Last day of term	Thursday 22 nd July	
Inset Day	Friday 23 rd July	



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 ...



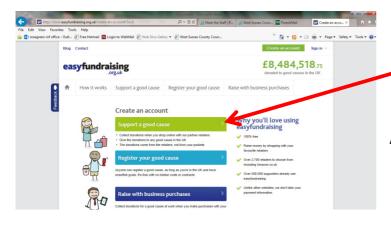






WANT TO HELP? It's so easy. Simply go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk and click on "Sign up now"





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!