



## NEWSLETTER

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Dear parents and carers,

It's been another lovely week here at school. It has been a real pleasure to get into classes and see how much learning is going on.

Our big focus this year is to promote reading across the school and across the curriculum. We know that learning to read means that you can read to learn and that being a fluent reader is the biggest indicator of future success. We have revitalised our phonics teaching this year and are part of the Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised programme. I know that parents with children in Reception and Year 1 will be getting information from their class teachers but if you are interested in finding out more you can visit their website <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/>.

I am often asked by parents how they can help their children and my answer is always that talking to and reading to children is the best way parents can support learning at home. This is true of all children from Nursery to year 6. So let's make time for sharing stories and reading this year.

### **COVID Precautions**

Although school is back to normal this year, we are aware that Covid 19 is still in our community. We have had three more cases of Covid 19 this week in the school. As with positive cases in any other setting, NHS Test and Trace will work with the positive case and/or their parent to identify close contacts. Other children in the class are not required to self-isolate but they may be advised to take a PCR test. As a Trust we are working closely with Public Health England to make sure that we are taking appropriate infection control measures.

### **House Captains**

Yesterday, I was delighted to appoint our new House Captains for this year. It is always a very difficult decision as we have so many excellent candidates in our Year 6 and we can only select four boys and four girls from the year group.

This year our House Captains are:

Thompson - Max French and Kia Surgeon  
Bannister - Chase Buckley and Alice Corcut  
Radcliffe - Jack Williams and Khloe Riley  
Freeman - Javier Ardila and Chyanne Rodney

### **Reception Classes Open Morning**

On Thursday 7th October, we are holding an opening morning for parents and carers of reception children. Parents are invited into the classrooms from 9am to 9.30am to work with your child. We are only able to accommodate one parent per child.

### **After School Club - Pick Up Points**

A reminder that the after school club pick up points have recently changed. If you need a copy of the after school club brochure, please collect a copy from the school office.

### **Friends of Rosendale Coffee Morning**

Thank you to everyone who attended today's coffee morning and donated towards the tea, coffee and cakes. Your support is much appreciated. We will be adding your donations to the money raised at our staff [Macmillan](#) coffee morning, which was organised by Miss Stewart. A very big thank you to Harrison's our school caterer who provided all the cakes and biscuits.

For those who were unable to attend please [click here](#) for details of other events The Friends of Rosendale are running this term.

To find out more, and how you can get involved please visit The Friends of Rosendale [website](#).

### **Return of the Rosendale Walking Bus**

At Rosendale we encourage families to walk, scoot or cycle to school come rain or shine. As the saying goes there is no bad weather, only bad clothing. Exercise wakes up your children in the morning, helps them focus in class and research shows it even makes them happier! Each year we participate in a number of activities to support and encourage our community to be active on their journey to school. I am delighted to announce we have achieved our bronze star accreditation from Transport for London for our efforts. Thank you to everyone in the Rosendale community for your support so far. We have high hopes for a silver award this year and the PTA Clean Air Group is kicking off our green travel initiatives with Walking Crocodile Lines, every Wednesday starting **29th September**. Leave the car behind, or park at the start of the route and join this fun, social and green way to get to school. Please visit the [clean air blog](#) for more details.

### **Rosendale Parents Book Group**

A brand new book group run by Rosendale parents is looking for new members. Their first session is on Monday 4th October at the Rosendale Pub, Rosendale Road. For more information, please [click here](#).

### **Flu Immunisation**

A reminder that Nurses from the Lambeth & Southwark Immunisation Team will be coming into Rosendale on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October** to administer the vaccine. If you would like your child to receive the vaccine you must complete the [electronic consent form](#). Your child will not be immunised without your consent. Parents need to fill out one [electronic consent form](#) per child, despite whether this is consenting or declining the vaccination. Please see a [link with more information](#) about the programme.

### **SING4FRIDAY**

The junior choir that meets at All Saints Church, Lovelace Road on Friday evenings is looking for new members. The choir welcomes all children aged five and over, the evening consists of songs, games and snacks. The choir meets every Friday from 5.30pm – 6.15pm. To find out more please email [ruthholtonmitchell@gmail.com](mailto:ruthholtonmitchell@gmail.com).

Finally, please can I remind you that children are **not allowed** on the reception outdoor equipment, including the tyres, after school. We have had items damaged and gone missing.

Have a lovely weekend,

Kate Atkins  
Headteacher