Rokeby Primary School Newsletter









We kindly ask that you wear a mask when visiting the school office from now on.

The children have been settling really well back into school life. Things are very different in school and we are all adapting to the new procedures. Myself and the leadership team are constantly updating our risk assessments in light of local data and government guidance. With this in mind, we are limiting staff movement even further so you may see less or more of some staff with your children. If you have any worries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mrs James.

PTA AGM

This years AGM will be held virtually on **Wednesday 14th October at 7.00pm**. Everyone welcome, you will receive more details closer to the time.

What have we been up to?



Year 1 had a fantastic time during their seaside themed afternoon last Tuesday. It was part of their learning on 'The Snail and the Whale'. Thank you to all parents for helping their child to participate.

Consultation Period

We are currently in a consultation period for opening a resource provision. If you would like more details, please visit our website and search for 'consultation'.



MACMILLAN **CANCER SUPPORT**

At Rokeby we have been hosting a MacMillan cake morning for many years, every year we have had a phenomenal turn out and raised an extraordinary amount towards MacMillan Cancer Support. This year the morning will run differently due to COVID-19. Due to the current situation we are unable to have parents in school

On Friday 25th September every child in their own classroom will be able to donate some money to buy a cake for their morning snack. We would like to ask that the minimum donation is 50p.

Please send the correct change so we can minimise the handling of cash.

Support For You

Please remember that we are here for all of our families. Please do not feel alone. If we can support you in any way then please contact us on Class Dojo or you can email:

RokebyFamilySupport@stowevalley.com

Drop Off and Pick Up

To ensure that we help stop the spread of COVID-19 we are asking parents to observe social distancing measures at all times when on site. When dropping off or picking up from the school please maintain a 2 metre gap from others. Children are to be dropped off and picked up at their classroom door to limit the amount of people coming through the reception. Please note we are doing everything possible to make this school a safe environment and appreciate your help.



COVID-19

Be COVID-19 Safe

To help keep your child and fellow student's safe, your child should not come to school if:

- They are feeling unwell or are experiencing any coronavirus symptoms (If in doubt, book a test. If positive, isolate for 10 days from start of symptoms)
- They have tested positive for coronavirus and are within the 10 day isolation period
- They are sharing a household or support bubble with someone with symptoms (person with symptoms to be tested, if negative can return to usual activities; if positive, you must isolate for 14 days from last contact)
- They have been advised by the NHS test and trace service to self-isolate or aware they are a close contact of someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (isolate for 14 days from last contact)
- They have returned from abroad and government guidance states they need to quarantine for 14 days



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TEXT ANY DETAILS, AS SOON AS YOU FIND OUT, ANYTIME.



PE Kit

To minimise movement around school, on your child's PE day, we ask that they attend school in their PE kit. They may also wear their school jumper with their PE kit if they wish.

Your child will be doing PE on the following day:

Nursery: Wednesday Year Three: Thursday

Reception: Wednesday Year Four: Friday

Year One: Wednesday Year Five: Thursday

Year Two: Friday Year Six: Friday





Heat4Health is a new project team, within Act on Energy, a charity who, for many years, have been delivering energy efficiency support on behalf of Worcestershire, Warwickshire, Solihull and Coventry local authorities.

What support do we give?

- As Act on Energy, we provide the following free support, open to anyone:
- an easy 2-step referral route
- Home Energy Assessment/via telephone/over internet, to assess and discuss individual residents' needs
- Free low-cost energy installs (low-cost energy efficient light bulbs, draught proofing etc)
- Individual support throughout the process
- help with COVID consequences on fuel poverty (higher energy bills, reduced servicing of boilers, energy suppliers support, potential second wave in winter months, loss of smell so unable to detect poorly working gas heaters etc)
- help with creating an affordable warm home including addressing energy costs, fuel debt, etc.

FREE home energy check

FREEPHONE 0800 988 2991 WEBSITE www.actonenergy.org.uk



Barnardo's 'See, Hear, Respond' service

See, Hear, Respond is a service provided across England by Barnardo's and other national and local community-based organisations in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

See, Hear, Respond, provides support to children, young people and their families who aren't currently seeing a social worker or other agency, and who are struggling to cope with the emotional impacts of coronavirus (COVID-19). See, Hear, Respond will support from pre-birth up to 18 years of age and those with special educational needs under the age of 25.

See, Hear, Respond will contact every referral made, so no child is missed. Help is available in one or more of four ways:

It's really easy to put in a referral into See Hear Respond. You can call 0800 157 7015 (9am to 9pm Monday to Friday, 10am – 6pm at weekends) or go to www.barnardos.org.uk/see-hear-respond to complete a simple referral form.

Believe in children

Rokeby Primary is part of the Stowe Valley Multi Academy Trust.

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Rokeby Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects

PARSTO everyone to share this commitment.



IMPORTANT DATES

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•	DATE	EVENT	INFORMATION
	25/09/2020	MacMillan Coffee/ Cake Morning	Minimum 50p donation. For children in school only. Please see newsletter extract for more information
	12/10/2020 & 13/10/2020	Parents Evenings	Parents evenings. Due to COVID-19 these will be via a video call service.
	14/10/2020	PTA AGM	7.00pm. All welcome. This years AGM will be held virtually due to COVID-19.
	23/10/2020	Teacher Training	School closed to students for teacher training.
	26/10/2020- 30/10/2020	October Half Term	School closed
	18/12/2020	Last Day of Term	Last day of school term before Christmas Break.
	04/01/2012 & 05/01/2021	Teacher Training	School closed to students for teacher training.
	06/01/2021	Start of Term	All students to return to school.



Bubble Closures/Zoom

In the event of a bubble or class closure, teachers will be offering twice daily lessons on ZOOM. So we can ensure that the transition to online classes is as smooth as possible, please download ZOOM now. You can use zoom on a laptop, tablet or phone. It is really simple to use and will allow us to provide children with an education whilst they are away from school. Mr Marks has put together a helpful guide for those downloading ZOOM onto a mobile device.



1) To use Zoom on a phone or tablet you will first need to download the App. It is a free App and is available in both the Apple App Store or in the Google Play Store. There is a paid for version, but the basic free version is the only one you will need to access the school's Zoom content.





- 3) When Zoom activities for your child's class are happening you will be sent an Invitation and Meeting ID to join them. These Meeting ID's will be posted on Class Dojo and/or the School Website. On starting Zoom just enter the meeting ID after clicking Join a Meeting. Additionally on this screen you can select whether you want the Audio and Video on or off.
- 4) If the lesson has not yet started you will be placed in a virtual waiting room until it does. Once the meeting has started you will be invited in and can then take part.

Laptop Use

To use Zoom on a laptop you do not have to install any software. When you click on the link it will open a new browser window. It will ask if you want to install the Zoom client. Once you do the Zoom App will run in the browser window.