ROKEBY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 22nd October 2026

What a wonderfully busy final week of half term we have had!

We are so proud of all our children for the way they have settled back into school life this term. They have worked incredibly hard, embraced their learning with enthusiasm, and shown just how much they can achieve. It has been a joy to see their confidence and independence continue to grow.

This term, it has been especially lovely to welcome our Reception and Nursery children into our school family. We have enjoyed getting to know them and watching them build new friendships, explore their learning, and become part of our wonderful school community.

This week has been packed with exciting experiences. Our visit to the alpaca farm was a fantastic opportunity for the children, and they had a wonderful time meeting the animals and creating special memories together. We also rounded off the week with our Halloween disco, which was full of fun, laughter, and dancing. The effort that went into the costumes was amazing, and it was a delight to see so many creative and spooktacular outfits!

As we reach the end of a very successful half term, we would like to thank all of our families for your continued support. We wish you a happy, fun-filled, and restful break, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school refreshed and ready for another exciting half term on **Monday 2nd November**.

Have a wonderful half term!

Attendance Update

This week, our school attendance was **90.6%**.

Well done to all of our children for another fantastic week of being in school and arriving on time each day. Every day in school counts, and we are so proud of the effort and commitment you have shown. Keep up the great work!

When we return after half term, we have lots of exciting things planned, including **daily themed activities on the playground before the school day begins**. These will be a great opportunity to have fun with friends and start each morning with a smile.

Make sure you arrive in plenty of time so that you don't miss out on any of these exciting activities. We can't wait to see you all back, ready for another fun-filled half term of learning and adventure!

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THE FIREWORK CODE

We advise you to attend organised displays as this is the safest way to enjoy fireworks. if you do decide to have a firework display in your garden, stay safe and follow the Firework Code:

- only buy fireworks which display the CE mark.
- keep fireworks in a closed box.
- only adults should set fireworks off
- follow the instructions on each firework.
- light all fireworks at arm's-length
- stand well back.
- always supervise children around fireworks and sparklers
- keep pets indoors.
- never go back to a lit firework
- never put fireworks in your pocket
- never throw fireworks.
- do not drink alcohol if setting off fireworks.
- do not let off fireworks after 11pm

Only people aged 18 or over can legally buy fireworks.

BONFIRE SAFETY

If you do decide to hold your own there are safety tips to consider:

- your bonfire must be built and supervised by an adult.
- build your bonfire well clear of buildings, garden sheds, fences, trees, and hedges.
- check your bonfire thoroughly in daylight, but as late as you can before lighting.
- check for hibernating animals such as hedgehogs - piles of warm, dry material are good accommodation for their winter sleep.
- only burn wood, never burn dangerous items such as aerosol cans, paint tins, foam furniture or batteries
- never use flammable liquids to start your bonfire.
- keep a bucket of water or hosepipe nearby.
- never leave your bonfire unattended
- only use water to put your bonfire out.
- ensure your fire is out properly and you make the surroundings safe before you leave.
- only build a bonfire in your own garden, we council will remove bonfires built on open land

HALLOWEEN SAFETY

With Halloween fast approaching please have a read about the importance of safety at this time of year

In some places, on average, children are more than twice as likely to be hit by a car and killed on Halloween than on any other day of the year.

TOP TIPS FOR HALLOWEEN SAFETY

1. Check costumes are safe. When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls and be aware of fire risk. Use LED candles rather than real ones as some costumes can burn very quickly. Choose face paint over masks when possible. Masks can limit children's vision.

2. Children under age 12 should normally be accompanied by a grown up. Consider going trick or treating as a small group rather than alone.

3. Plan your Route - No one wants to get lost or find themselves far away from home on Halloween night. Make sure you plan your trick or treating route in advance.

4. If you are not trick or treating with an adult, teenagers should know when they are expected home, to save parents unwanted worry. Know what to do if a someone or something makes you feel unsafe.

5. Adults should know where children are – and give clear boundaries and times to return home.

6. Carry glow sticks LEDs, or torches, use reflective tape or stickers on costumes and bags, and wear light colours to help children see and be seen by drivers.

7. Cross all roads with care - If you come to cross a road, remove your mask, and make sure the road is completely clear when you come to make your move.

8. Children - watch out for unpredictable drivers. Drivers watch out for unpredictable children!

9. Only to trick or treat at houses which are well lit, or which are decorated with Halloween themed decorations or lit pumpkins. Some people may not want to be disturbed.

10. CHECK YOUR SWEETS – Are you allergic? Make sure you or your parents check your sweets to make sure you are not allergic to any of your Halloween treats, or that you have received any treats that aren't worth eating... nobody wants to be poorly for Bonfire Night.

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We currently have spaces available for the following instruments:

- **Drums**
- **Guitar**
- **Piano**

For more information, and to register your interest, email us via the email address below...

<u>These places are limited and offered out on a first come first served basis, so dont delay!</u>

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