

Year 5 Autumn Term Newsletter

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We would like to take this opportunity to welcome all the Year 5 children, parents and carers to Roe Green Junior School.

We hope you had a lovely summer holiday, and are rested and ready for Year 5. We are looking forward to a fun and exciting term, where we will guide and encourage the children into becoming independent young people.

Reminders:

If you need to change your child's lunch arrangements eg. school dinners to packed lunch, please give **2 weeks notice to Ms Vekaria** in the school office.

If children are running late and arrive at school after the register is taken, they will need to visit the office to sign the late book.

Please help us by labelling your child's clothes. We have many lost jumpers with no names in them.

Literacy: This term in Literacy we will be reading some amazing books and poetry. We will explore two poems: 'The British' by Benjamin Zephaniah and 'The Highwayman' by Alfred Noyes. We will read 'Stormbreaker'. All these texts will support the writing of poems, diaries and explanation texts.

Science: This term in Science our topics are: 'Earth and Space' and 'Forces'. We aim to make our science lessons as practical as possible. Be prepared to get involved in observations, investigations and experiments.

Key Dates:

2nd October: School Council week5th and 12th October: Parents evening

16th October: Healthy Living week20th October: Break up for half term10th November: Diwali Assembly15th November: Mr Egypt workshop

21st December: Christmas Jumper Day/Nativity Assembly/Break up for Christmas holidays.

School Planners: Please make sure your child has his or her planner at school each day. You can use the planner to

communicate with your child's teacher.

Banish the Bugs! Hand washing is part of our daily routine. Please discuss with your child the importance of regular hand washing with hot water and soap. You should wash your hands for the amount of time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday" twice (around 20 seconds).

Maths The topics for Year 5 for this term include: Place Value, Addition & Subtraction, Statistics, Multiplication & Division, Shape. The children are in groups best suited to their learning. These groups are fluid and children may move accordingly.

History and Geography

Our history topic is The Egyptians. We look at a timeline to understand the chronology of this time alongside their beliefs, life and afterlife. In Geography we will cover mountains.

Wider curriculum

At RGJS we believe in the importance of teaching the 'whole child', making sure your child receives a broad and rich curriculum, including:

PE: Tag Rugby/Dance-Movement/Swimming **RE:** Who is to blame if we do wrong?

Art/DT: Investigating patterns and Cooking

Music: Singing/Playing ukulele

Computing: Computing Systems & Networks: Sharing Information and Creating Media: Vector Drawing Spanish: Animals (farm, jungle etc), Numbers 1-60, Food. At home, we expect the children to read at home 20

minutes per day.

Communication

Please make sure you have **SchoolPing** set up to ensure you receive important news and updates from the school.

If you need to contact the school urgently, please call the office on **0208 204 5221**.

For school information such as term dates, curriculum overviews, policies and much more please visit our website: www.rgjs.brent.sch.uk