# **ROBY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL**

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

#### RAFFLE WINNERS

Thank you to everybody who donated chocolate treats and/or bought raffle tickets.

We had plenty of happy winners!

We have raised over £500 which will go towards our enrichment offer for our children.



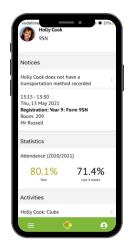


# JUNIOR DUKES WHY NOT USE HALF TERM TO COMPLETE YOUR CHALLENGES?

We now have over 70 children joining us at our Junior Duke Summer Party which will be hosted by the one and only, Angels and Scallies! To be in with your chance of joining us on our VIP party list, just complete 7/10 Junior Dukes challenges. Our next Junior Duke meeting will take place on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May.

Half term is a great time to work through your challenges together.





#### **ARBOR SWITCH COMPLETED**

From now on, we will no longer be using Class Charts, Parent Pay, Medical Tracker or Parent Booking.

All communications, payments, bookings for trips, progress meetings, meeting appointments, lunch payments, extra-curricular club bookings etc will be made only through this platform. If you haven't signed up, you will miss out. Please sign up over half term if you haven't already.

#### **HOLIDAY CAMP**

Bookings have now closed for Easter camp. If you are booked on, entrance and exit is via Easton Road gate only. Please be prompt at 9am, as the gate will close shortly after for safeguarding purposes.

All children need a packed lunch, snack and water bottle.

Please make sure children have at least factor 50 sun cream on each day, as they will be playing outside a lot and the weather is due to be warm.

#### FREE JUNIOR SWIMMING AT VOLAIR



Thanks to funding from Knowsley Council's Public Health team, junior swimming across Kirkby, Stockbridge Village, Huyton and Halewood Volair clubs will be free to children aged under 16 during public swimming times from Monday 7 April, until Monday 21 April.

Check our opening times and <u>Volair Public Swim</u>

<u>Timetables</u> on their website or download their FREE mobile app. Just search 'Volair' on Google or visit the AppStore. Adult swimming costs £6 per session. For more information about their half term offer go to

#### **EGG DESIGN WINNERS**

Our SMART council reps had such a tricky job on their hands when judging all of the egg design entries.

They worked together to vote on their favourite entries, picking a winner from each class. Our winners won an Easter cup and Easter egg each for their imaginative and creative entries.

Thank you to all of the parents and carers who worked hard with their children to enter their wonderful creations.



#### ST GEORGE'S DAY

On Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, we will be marking St George's Day. Children can come to school wearing red and white clothes.

We also welcome Teach Rex back with their dragon, Sol, back to Roby Park.



#### **YOUNG VOICES 2026**



We loved Young Voices 2025 so much we have already signed up to participate in YV 2026

In the Summer term, we will start rehearsing and tickets will be available for purchasing before the end of term.

Rehearsals will take place during the school day and we are hoping to take a large choir, for all those wanting to commit to the event. This year was amazing and we want as many children as possible to experience being in the world's biggest choir performing at the Co-op Live Arena in Manchester. Watch out for more information being shared in the coming weeks....

#### **CHESTER ZOO TRIP**

What a fantastic way to end the Spring term with a whole school trip top Chester Zoo. Y1-Y6 benefited from being involved in conservation workshops, delivered by Leon and Jenny, where the children learned all about palm oil.



The children enjoyed seeing all of the animals in the glorious sunshine. Their behaviour was excellent and a great day was had by all! In the Summer term, we will continue our conservation work with a visit from Teach Rex and Fito, the Urangutan. Fito's inclusion in their workshops emphasizes the importance of understanding and addressing the environmental factors affecting the world today.

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#### START OF SUMMER TERM

We return to school from the Easter break, on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 8.40am. We look forward to welcoming all of our children back.



#### SUMMER UNIFORM

Children are welcome to return to school in our Summer uniform. Pink gingham dresses (**no playsuits**) and grey shorts can be worn if children prefer. Children should still wear their school shoes - no trainers, sandals or jelly shoes allowed. Thank you.

The uniform policy can be found here: <a href="https://robyparkprimary.co.uk/parent-information-2/uniform-shop/">https://robyparkprimary.co.uk/parent-information-2/uniform-shop/</a>



#### THE HENRY SMITH CHARITY GRANT



Five weeks ago, we submitted a grant to The Henry Smith charity who provide grants for one off trips and residentials.

We were ecstatic to find out our grant bid was successful and we have been awarded £2500 to go towards paying for our London residential trip this Summer for our Y6 pupils.

As a result, we are able to significantly reduce the cost of the trip for our families.

Mrs Allen will be in touch with families to inform them of the remaining balance which has been reduced or refunds owed, dependent on what has already been paid. Thank you so much to this incredible organisation for supporting our children to have fun and memorable experiences!

#### ANNUAL SPONSORED COLOUR RUN

We are excited for the return of our annual sponsored colour run which will return on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April**. This year, we will be raising much needed funds for the Anthony Davies Bereavement charity.

This is a charity that we are pleased is on our doorstep to help bereaved children in our school and wider community. We are pleased to welcome Lisa, the charity founder and wife of Anthony, who will be present on race day and will be starting off the colour run.

In May 2023, Anthony Davies died suddenly, Leaving behind his 2 year old daughter. Following his death it became very apparent that there where no services to help young children, under 5, with bereavement support. That's when, Anthony Davies childhood bereavement, was born.

Through her grief, Georgia's mum, and founder, Lisa spent day and night researching childhood grief and asking for help from as many professional sources as possible. This enabled her to build up a wealth of knowledge and experience within the primary age ranges pattern of thought's & how they process grief, gaining a valuable insight.

This then led her to do multiple counselling and childhood trauma courses and qualifications to give her the best chance of helping you and your children through one of the worst times of your life.

At Anthony Davies childhood bereavement, they specialise in helping families of primary age children, that face significant bereavement.

The aim is to give parents/caregivers the support and knowledge to be able to help their children through grief.

- Giving 121 support from immediately after the death of a loved one, or once the loved one has been deemed terminal and will have less than 6 months.
- Drop in bereavement cafes for the whole family.
- Young widow support groups,.
- Whole family workshops.
- Working with the children's education settings.
- Special events for bereaved families at key points of the year.

Find out more about the charity by checking out their website and socials: <a href="https://www.anthonydaviesbereavement.co.uk/">https://www.anthonydaviesbereavement.co.uk/</a>

Sponsor forms and envelopes will be sent home on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April and can be returned on or before Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April, when our colour run will take place.

#### **SUMMER TERM 1 DATES**

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- 22.4.25 Start of term @ 8.40am
- 23.4.25 St George's Day children can wear red and white to school.
- 23.4.25 Teach Rex dragon workshops
- 25.4.25 Y1 & Y2 forest school sessions
- 30.4.25 whole school sponsored colour run for Anthony Davies Bereavement charity
- 1.5.25 Wellbeing coffee morning @ 9-10am
- 2.5.25 Y5 class assembly @ 2.30pm
- 2.5.25 Y3 & Y4 forest school sessions
- 7.5.25 SEND coffee morning @ 9-10am
- 9.5.25 YN & YR forest school sessions
- 9.5.25 Y4 class assembly @ 2.30pm
- 12.5.25 Y6 SATs week
- 12.5.25 Grammar, punctuation and spelling tests
- 13.5.25 Reading test
- 14.5.25 Arithmetic and Mathematics tests
- 15.5.25 Mathematics test
- 16.5.25 Y5 & Y6 forest school sessions
- 16.5.25 Y6 SATs celebration sleepover
- 17.5.25 Y6 children collected from sleepover @ 8.30am
- 19.5.25 Junior Dukes meeting #5
- 20.5.25 Wellbeing coffee morning @ 9-10am
- 21.5.25 Happy's Circus 4.30 8pm
- 23.5.25 Y1 & Y2 forest school sessions
- 23.5.25 Y3 class assembly @ 2.30pm
- 23.5.25 End of term @ 3pm

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#### **SUMMER TERM 2 DATES**

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- 2.6.25 start of term @ 8.40am
- 2.6.25 on site swimming lessons begin for YN Y6
- 2.6.25 Junior Dukes final meeting
- 4.6.25 6.6.25 Y4 residential to Ormside
- 4.6.25 World Environment Day Teach Rex orangutan visit
- 6.6.25 Y5 & Y6 forest school sessions
- 6.5.25 Y6 class assembly @ 2.30pm
- 9.6.25 Y5 Historic Workshop: Maya
- 10.6.25 Y1 Historic Workshop: Great Fire of London
- 11.6.25 class photographs
- 13.6.25 Father's Day Celebration Assemblies
- 16.6.25 SEND coffee morning @ 9 -10am
- 20.6.25 Summer Fair @ 1 4pm
- 26.6.25 Wellbeing coffee morning @ 9 10am
- 27.6.25 Y3 & Y4 forest school sessions
- 27.6.25 Teach Rex Dinosaurs visit EY
- 27.6.25 Y1 class assembly @ 2.30pm
- 30.6.25 2.7.25 Y6 London residential
- 4.7.25 YN & YR forest school sessions
- 4.7.25 Step Up Morning YR-Y5 children visit their new classroom and teachers
- 4.7.25 Y2 class assembly @ 2.30pm
- 7.7.25 Careers Week
- 7.7.25 Y4 Historic Workshop Ancient Greece
- 8.7.25 CAH Celebration Event
- 11.7.25 Y1 & Y2 forest school sessions
- 11.7.25 YR class assembly @ 2.30pm
- 14.7.25 Junior Dukes Celebration Festival @ 1 3pm
- 15.7.25 End of Year Reports sent home
- 15.7.25 Y6 Leavers' Prom @ 4.30 7.30pm
- 17.7.25 Roby Park Fest
- 17.7.25 Y6 leavers' assembly @ 9.30am
- 17.7.25 End of term @ 1pm

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