ROBY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair is at Roby Park this week! Families are invited to visit the school hall after school to browse and buy from a fantastic range of children's books.

Payment can be made by cash or card and every purchase helps our school earn money towards new books for our children. By choosing a new book to enjoy at home, you will also be helping us to add even more exciting books to our school collection.

We look forward to seeing you there. Happy reading!

CHILDREN IN NEED - THIS FRIDAY



This Friday, we will be supporting BBC Children in Need. Children are invited to come to school wearing spots, pyjamas or Children in Need merchandise in return for a suggested donation of £1.

BBC Children in Need supports children and young people across the UK who may be facing poverty, difficulties with their mental or physical health, inequality or challenges within their family lives. Donations help to fund local charities, trusted adults, safe spaces and vital opportunities that enable children to feel supported and reach their potential.

Thank you for helping us to make a difference. We cannot wait to see everyone's spotty and colourful outfits!

ODD SOCKS DAY



On Monday, we will be celebrating Odd Socks Day as part of Anti-Bullying Week. Children are invited to wear odd socks with their usual school uniform.

Odd Socks Day is a fun way to celebrate what makes each of us unique. It reminds us that our differences are something to be proud of and encourages everyone to treat others with kindness, respect and understanding.

We cannot wait to see lots of colourful and wonderfully mismatched socks around Roby Park!

BONUS BALL FRIDAYS



Our Bonus Ball Fridays are just £2 per number. We have now combined the staff and parent Bonus Ball draws, which means an even bigger prize pot for the lucky winner!

Numbers are available on a first come, first served basis on the main playground every Friday, both before and after school.

This year, all profits will go directly towards helping us subsidise enrichment opportunities, educational visits, workshops and residential trips for our pupils.

Last week's winning number was 40 with Dolly Y1's nan winning an incredible £110!

Thank you to everyone who supports us each week. Remember, you have to be in it to win it!

NOVEMBER FACE COURSES

FACE

November Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours

Introduction to OCD	2 Nov 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	2 Nov 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	3 Nov 10am
Decreasing Depression	3 Nov 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	9 Nov 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	9 Nov 7pm
What is ACT?	10 Nov 10am
Improving Family Communication	10 Nov 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	16 Nov 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	16 Nov 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	17 Nov 10am
Understanding Anger	17 Nov 7pm
FREE - Responding to Stress & Anxiety	19 Nov 7-8pm
Anxiety Explained	23 Nov 10am
Facing Defiance	23 Nov 7pm
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	24 Nov 10am
School Anxiety	24 Nov 7pm

FACE offers parents practical advice, information and support, across a wide range of topics, including supporting neurodiverse children, understanding emotions and managing behaviour.

Go to facefamilyadvice.co.uk or click here Go to PARENTS – Live talks page.

Accessing the talks free of charge: the Roby Park Primary School access code is RP220925

This can be used by any parents or staff from our school for unlimited access to all the regular FACE Parent Talks (usually £24 each). The code cannot be used on any other FACE services and must not be shared with parents or staff from other schools.

At the payment stage of booking, add the school code where it says ADD PROMO CODE. This will drop the price from £24 to £0.

SHOE BOX OF LOVE APPEAL

This Christmas, we are proud to be an official drop-off point for the Shoebox Full of Love appeal, which supports vulnerable men, women, children and babies across Merseyside.

We are collecting shoeboxes filled with everyday essentials, small gifts and festive treats to help bring comfort and kindness to those who may be struggling this Christmas.

Families can either bring in a completed shoebox containing a range of suitable items, or donate individual items, which our school community will use to create shoeboxes for the appeal.

The deadline for complete shoeboxes is Tuesday 1st December, while the deadline for individual item donations is Wednesday 25th November to allow time for the boxes to be assembled.

Every contribution, no matter how small, will help make a real difference and spread a little love and hope this festive season.

ANTI-BULLYING DRAMA WORKSHOPS

We are delighted to welcome West End Musicals to Roby Park this Monday to deliver professional drama workshops as part of Anti-Bullying Week, which takes place from 16th to 20th November 2026.

This year's theme is 'Break the Silence'. Through drama and team-building activities, the workshops will encourage children to celebrate each other's differences, listen and respond considerately, and promote kindness and inclusion within every class.

The sessions will explore different forms of bullying, how children can respond if they are being bullied, and how they can support a friend or classmate who may be experiencing bullying. These important and sensitive topics will be approached in an open, positive and age-appropriate way.

Each class will take part in a workshop tailored specifically for either Key Stage 1 or Key Stage 2, led by a professional drama facilitator with experience of working in primary schools and building trust within groups.

Workshops can be paid for through Arbor. The school heavily subsidises these sessions to ensure that we can continue to provide children with a broad and exciting range of enrichment opportunities.

FLU IMMUNISATIONS



The school immunisation team will be visiting Roby Park on **Friday 13th November** to administer flu vaccinations.

If you have not already done so, please complete a consent form for your child using the unique link: https://www.manage-vaccinations-in-schools.nhs.uk/consents/FZUCjcQlRg/flu/start. Forms must be completed by **Thursday 12th November**.

Parents and carers can choose either the nasal spray, which is recommended for the best protection, or the injectable flu vaccine, if required.

If you do not wish your child to receive the flu vaccination, you must still complete the form and select 'No'. This will prevent you from receiving further reminder messages or telephone calls.

Please note that forms submitted after the deadline may mean that your child is unable to receive their flu vaccination during the school session.

Further information for parents and carers is available on the GOV.UK website.

DECEMBER EVENTS



Christmas performances, a Christmas pantomime at St Helens Theatre, our Winter Wonderland event, Christmas Family Dining, Christmas discos, and special visits from Mrs Claus for children in YN to Y3.

Please save the relevant dates and check Arbor regularly for further information. Where payment is required, please ensure this is completed through Arbor by the stated deadline so that your child does not miss out.

We are looking forward to sharing lots of magical Christmas moments with our children and families!

#MISSSCHOOL #MISSOUT – WHY REGULAR ATTENDANCE MATTERS

With Christmas approaching, there is lots of important learning, preparation and festive fun ahead at Roby Park. We do not want any child to miss the special experiences and opportunities taking place in school.

Mason in Y2 would have been disappointed to miss Rock Kidz on Wednesday. Lara in Y4 has thoroughly enjoyed designing her Christmas card this week and Skyla in Y6 loved Monday's OPAL afternoon when she was able to play and spend time with her friends.

Regular attendance helps children to succeed, feel included and make wonderful school memories. Thank you for continuing to support your child's attendance.
Miss school, miss out!

STARS OF THE WEEK

Use your camera to scan the QR code to see who our wonderful stars of the week are. We are proud of our children demonstrating our values of: collaboration, creativity, resilience, reflectiveness, being inquisitive and motivated.

ATTENDANCE RECOGNITION WINNERS



A huge well done to Y1, Y2 and YR, our attendance recognition winners this week! Matilda Y5, Lennie Y5 and Josh Y4 had the important job of selecting our three winning classes.

All three classes then moved around our exciting Classopoly board. Sadly, we had no winners this week. Good luck next time!

Keep up the fantastic attendance, everyone. Your class could be moving around the Classopoly board next!

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REMARKABLE READERS

Well done to our remarkable readers this week. Children get to bring the remarkable reader bag home with a book, hot chocolate, bookmark and pencil.

Children also get to choose a book from our book vending machine.

Children can be selected as our remarkable reader winner by engaging in reading at home and in school. Who will win next week?

Roby Rainbows

Wraparound Care for Roby Park Primary School

Happy Children
• Supportive Families
• Brighter Futures



Important Notice Regarding Session Price Changes

From November 2026

Thank you for your continued support!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We would like to give you advance notice of some changes to our session prices, which will take effect from **November 2026**.

Like many childcare and wraparound care providers, we have experienced significant increases in the costs involved in running our provision. This includes the rising cost of food and refreshments, staffing, utilities, supplies and general operating costs.

We have worked hard to keep our prices as affordable as possible and have absorbed increases in costs for as long as we could. However, in order for Roby Rainbows to continue providing the safe, welcoming and high-quality wraparound care that our children and families rely on, a small increase to our session prices is now necessary.

New Session Prices – from November 2026

Session	Current Price	New Price
Breakfast Club	£2.00	£3.50
Half Session	£5.00	£6.00
Full Session	£12.50	£13.50

Late Bookings

We would also like to remind parents and guardians about our late booking charge. If you have forgotten to book a session and require a place on the same day, a **£5.00** late booking administration fee will automatically be added to your booking.

This charge reflects the additional administration involved in arranging last-minute places and ensuring that we remain within our required staffing ratios.

Where possible, we would therefore encourage parents to book sessions in advance to avoid this additional charge and, importantly, to ensure that a place is available for your child.

Please book in advance where possible

We understand that any increase in childcare costs can be difficult for families, and we have not taken this decision lightly. We remain committed to providing a reliable, safe and enjoyable service for the children of Roby Park Primary School, while keeping our prices as reasonable as possible.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Small changes make a big difference

Kind regards,

The Roby Rainbows Team

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Roby Rainbows

Play ♥ Learn ♥ Grow

Brighter futures start with play

Make the most of government tax-free childcare

At Roby Rainbows, we're proud to be part of the government's tax-free childcare scheme – helping working families get the most from their childcare budget.

- **Get up to 20%** of your childcare costs covered (up to £2,000 per child, per year).
- **Helps more families** afford high-quality childcare.
- More support for your child's early learning and development.
- Easy to set up – just register through the government's Childcare Choices service.



Find out more and check your eligibility at **childcarechoices.gov.uk**

Our Provider Number: **50084079851**

For more information, email us at: **info@robyrainbows.club**

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