ROBY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WELCOME BACK

A very warm welcome back to all of our pupils, families and staff as we begin the second half of the autumn term. We hope you all enjoyed a restful and enjoyable half-term break and had the opportunity to spend some quality time together.

It has been wonderful to see the children return to school with such enthusiasm, positivity and readiness to learn. This half term promises to be another busy and exciting one, with lots of memorable learning experiences, special events and opportunities for our children to shine both in and out of the classroom.

As we move closer to the festive season, attendance remains as important as ever. Every school day provides valuable learning opportunities and being in school every day helps children make the very best progress while enjoying all the exciting activities ahead.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to working together over the coming weeks and celebrating the many achievements of our pupils.

Here's to a happy, successful and productive half term at Roby Park! 🎉📚🍂

ROCK KIDZ ARE COMING TO ROBY PARK! 🎸🌟

This Wednesday, Rock Kidz will be joining us ahead of Anti-Bullying Week to deliver their exciting Taking Bullying Down workshops.

To make the day even more memorable, children are invited to come to school dressed as rock stars! We are looking forward to a fun-filled day that will help children understand the importance of kindness, respect and standing up against bullying.



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 13 but this meant it was a rollover.

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.

Y3 GULLIVER'S WORLD RESIDENTIAL 2027

We are delighted to announce that we have booked an exciting residential visit to Gulliver's World from **7th-9th December 2027** for our current Year 2 pupils, who will be in Year 3 during the 2027/28 academic year.

During the residential, the children will enjoy a fantastic range of activities, with possibilities including bushcraft, safari golf, archery, den building, firepit activities and marshmallow toasting. They will also have the opportunity to explore the rides and even enjoy a special visit to Santa's Grotto!

We will be holding a parent information meeting on **2nd December at 6.00pm**, where you can hear more about the residential and everything it has to offer.

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing more details about this wonderful opportunity!

ANTI-BULLYING DRAMA WORKSHOPS

We are delighted to welcome West End Musicals to Roby Park on Monday 16th November 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.

DRESSING FOR THE COLDER WEATHER

As winter draws in and the weather becomes colder, please ensure that your child brings an appropriate winter coat, hat, gloves and scarf to school. Children continue to enjoy outdoor play throughout the day so it is important that they are dressed comfortably for all weather conditions.

If you need to purchase jogging bottoms, Lisa's Schoolwear currently has a wide range of sizes available. Due to the time of year, George at Asda is not restocking its school leggings or jogging bottoms. If purchasing leggings elsewhere, please ensure that they are plain, very dark navy, with no additional colours. Ribbed or flared leggings are not part of our school uniform and should not be worn.

George at Asda currently has a two-pack of plain, dark navy cotton leggings available for £5.

BRINGING HISTORY TO LIFE!

We are excited to welcome Historic Workshops to Roby Park this month to deliver immersive history workshops for Years 3, 4 and 5:

- Y5 Viking Workshop: Monday 9th November
- Y4 Ancient Greece Workshop: Wednesday 11th November
- Y3 Stone Age Workshop: Thursday 12th November

These engaging workshops will bring each historical period to life and provide memorable, practical experiences that enhance the children's classroom learning.

The workshops are available to pay for through Arbor. School heavily subsidises the cost of these visits to ensure that our children continue to benefit from an incredible enrichment offer that complements and deepens their learning.

ODD SOCKS DAY

On Monday 16th November, we will be celebrating Odd Socks Day as part of Anti-Bullying Week.



Odd Socks Day gives children an opportunity to celebrate what makes each of us unique. Wearing odd socks reminds us that our differences should be respected and celebrated, while helping to spread an important message of kindness, inclusion and acceptance.

Children are invited to wear odd socks with their usual school uniform.

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.

#MISSSCHOOL #MISSOUT – WHY REGULAR ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Every school day brings valuable experiences, learning and opportunities that cannot always be repeated.

Ivy in Y4 would have been disappointed to miss the Halloween disco. Minnie in Y1 has been enjoying her English lessons so much that she does not want to miss a day while Arthur in Y2 has loved learning how to count in threes during Maths.

Regular attendance supports children's learning, progress and wellbeing. Being in school each day helps children to develop positive routines, maintain friendships, build confidence and feel connected to their class and the wider school community.

Every day matters. 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 Y3, Y4 and Y6, our attendance recognition winners this week! Esme Y4, Andrew Y2 and Piper Y2 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!

#MISSSCHOOL #MISSOUT



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

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Our Provider Number: **50084079851**

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

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