



**The Rookeries**  
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# Rooks News

November 2018

## Notices

### Building Extension

The extension work to school will begin on the 16<sup>th</sup> November. Please see the letter on Parentmail outlining the plans for this first week and the changes to be put in place. More details to follow.

### Remembrance Day

The children have produced beautiful poppy wreaths to commemorate the centenary of the end of World War 1. Mrs Tonkinson, with some pupils from our curriculum council, will be laying the wreaths on the war memorial in Pontefract on Sunday.

### Year 1 Inspire Morning

The children had a wonderful morning creating alien rockets and planets linked to their space topic.



### Children in Need – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November

Merchandise will be available from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November. We are having a non-uniform day on Friday, the theme is spots so be creative. There will be lots of competitions and prizes throughout the day and a coffee morning for parents at 9.15am. Please can children bring a donation of £1 to support this amazing charity!



### Events coming up at The Rookeries

- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November** - Year 5 and 6 visit to Temple Newsam
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November** - Children in Need (more details to follow)
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November** - Pantomime in school **PETER PAN**
- Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November** – Year 1 trip to Magna

## Attendance Matters

### Weekly Attendance



### Week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Reception 98.18%

Year 1 93.10%

Year 2 91.76%

Year 3 90.31%

Year 4 95.33%

Year 5 97.27%

Year 6 97.06%



Overall school attendance for the week 94.66%

***Well done Year Reception, you had the best***

***attendance last week – 98.18%!***

**School Target 96%**

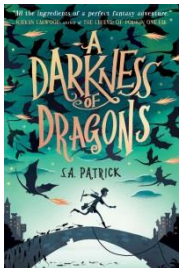
We have a meeting with the PAT Attendance Officer every week to discuss children whose attendance has dropped below 92%. It is now our procedure to send a letter to inform parents/carers that we are concerned about their child's attendance and invite you into school for an informal meeting to discuss how school can support you in raising attendance.

## More events at The Rookeries

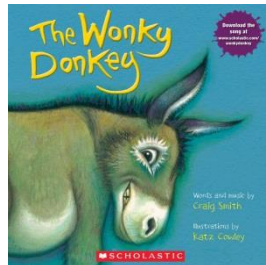
### CALENDAR 2018/19

DECEMBER	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	- Christmas Fair 3.30pm
	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	- EYFS Christmas Production – 9.15am
	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	- Key Stage 1 Christmas Production – 2.00pm
	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	- Key Stage 1 Christmas Production – 9.15am
	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	- Christmas Dinner
JANUARY	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	- Key Stage 2 Christmas Concert – 2pm and 6pm
	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	- School closes for Christmas
	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	- School opens for Spring term
FEBRUARY	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	- School closes for half term
	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	- School opens
MARCH	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	- Parents' Consultation evening
	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	- Parents' Consultation evening
APRIL	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	- Easter Bonnet and Egg competition
	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	- School closes for Easter
	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	- School opens for Summer Term
MAY	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	- Election Day – Nursery closed
	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	- School closed – May Day Bank Holiday
	13 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup>	- KS2 SATs
	13 <sup>th</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup>	- KS1 SATs
JUNE	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	- School closes for half term
	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	- School opens
	Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	- KS1 phonics screening check week
	tbc	- New Intake Parents' Meeting
	tbc	- Sports Day
JULY	tbc	- Summer Fair and BBQ
	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	- PROFESSIONAL DAY CLOSURE – staff training
	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	- School closes for Summer
	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	- PROFESSIONAL DAY CLOSURE – staff training
	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	- PROFESSIONAL DAY CLOSURE – staff training

## Reading at The Rookeries - Book Recommendations



A darkness of Dragons  
By SR Patrick



The Wonky Donkey  
Words and Music by Craig Smith



## Chartwells Menu - Week Commencing Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November

### Monday

Red- Mozzarella and Tomato Pizza

Blue- Vegetable Biryani

Green- Jacket

Purple- Sandwiches

### Tuesday

Red- Pork sausage

Blue- Vegetable Sausage

Green- Jacket

Purple- Sandwiches

### Wednesday

Red- Roast Chicken

Blue- Cauliflower and Broccoli Bake

Green- Jacket

Purple- Sandwiches

### Thursday

Red- Chicken and Tomato Lasagne

Blue- Vegetarian Tagine with Rice

Green- Jacket

Purple- Sandwiches

### Friday

Red- Golden Fish Fingers

Blue- Quorn Burger and Chips

Green- Jacket

Purple- Sandwiches

