

# Rooks News

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2019

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## #HelloYellow

**Thank you** so much for your support on Thursday with #HelloYellow. We managed to collect £210 for this fantastic charity. Together we can show young people they're not alone with their mental health.



## Summer Fair Sunflower Growing Set

At the Summer Fair, Year 3 sold wonderful sunflower growing kits. Mrs Lee is very keen to find out who has 'green fingers' and managed to grow their seeds into flowers. If possible, please take a photograph of your flower and print it out and bring it to the school office or send the photo to:

[admin@rookeries.patrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@rookeries.patrust.org.uk)



## Weekly Attendance Report

Week Commencing 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019

- Year 1 95.38%
- Year 1/2 97.78%
- Year 2 96.15%
- Year 3 97.94%
- Year 4 95.74%
- Year 5 97.24%
- Year 6 94.79%



Overall school attendance for the week **96.59%**

**School Target is 97%**

**Well done Year 3**  
**Best Attendance last week : 97.94%**

## Holidays in Term Time

Research shows that regular attendance at school, coupled with prompt arrival, has a significant effect on children's educational attainment. Every day missed by a child is valuable learning time. Last year we had so many requests for holidays in term time. We appreciate it is more expensive, but please remember we cannot authorise any holidays. Since October 2017, the Pontefract Academies Trust Attendance Policy changed to include fining parents/carers. It is the Wakefield Local Authority that issues the Fines and the money goes to the Authority and not to our school.

## CALENDAR 2019/20

### Events at The Rookeries

#### October

Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	School Photographs
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Parents' Evening (this is an amended date)
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Parents' Evening (this is an amended date)
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Harvest Festival (morning)
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	School closes for Half Term

#### November

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	School Re-opens
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Flu Vaccinations

#### December

Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Christingle Service at St Michael's Church (10am)
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#### January

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	INSET Day – school closed
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	School opens for Spring term



## Chartwells Menu

Week Commencing Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October



<b><u>Monday</u></b>	Red	Tomato and Basil Pasta
	Blue	Mexican Bean and Potato Wrap with a Rice side
<b><u>Tuesday</u></b>	Red	Chinese Chicken Noodles
	Blue	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>	Red	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes and Gravy
	Blue	Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy
<b><u>Thursday</u></b>	Red	Beef Tortilla Pie with a Rice side
	Blue	Veggie Pizza Hot Dog with Potato Wedges
<b><u>Friday</u></b>	Red	Crispy Fish Fingers with Chips
	Blue	Cheese and Sweetcorn Omelette with Chips
<b><u>Daily</u></b>	Green	Jacket Potato
	Purple	Sandwiches (Ham or Cheese)

## **TIME TO SPARE.....**

### **Why not join Wakefield Council's School Crossing Patrol Team?**



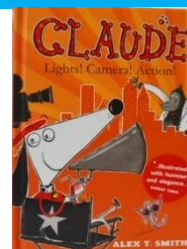
- 🕒 Work approximately one hour per day, during term-time to earn some extra money
- 👥 Be a valued member of your community
- 👶 Support children on their journey to and from school
- 🎓 Full training and uniform supplied
- 👉 No experience necessary

**Interested? For further information or an application form, telephone Julie on 01924 305721**

## **Meetings with the Head of School and Teaching Staff**

It would be appreciated that if any parents or carers wishing to speak, or wanting a meeting, with the Head of School or a member of the teaching staff, please contact Main Reception to make an appointment. Thank you.

## **Books of the Month**



Claude: Lights, Camera, Action  
By Alex T Smith



Frostheart  
by Jamie Littler