

Rooks News

September
2019

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Welcome back! We all hope you had a fantastic summer. All the children have settled back into school life extremely well and are working hard. We are extremely pleased with their attitude to learning.

The Rookeries uniform

The children all look amazing in their uniform. Thank you for your support with this. Please can I remind you, jumpers and cardigans must have the Rookeries logo on the chest.

Curriculum Meetings

During the next two weeks, your child's teacher will be inviting you to a curriculum evening. You will have the opportunity to find out about our new curriculum and daily routines and expectations for the year. You will receive a class newsletter next week.

Physical Education

EYFS (Mrs Tonkinson) Wednesday

Year 1 (Mrs Kasperek) Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 1/2 (Miss Binzi) Monday and Thursday

Year 2 (Mrs Smith) Monday and Thursday

Year 3 (Miss Dyas) Tuesday and Friday

Year 4 (Miss Marsh) Tuesday and Thursday (swimming)

Year 5 (Mr Dunn and Miss Moir) Monday and Wednesday

Year 6 (Mr McMahon) Monday and Thursday

Please can you ensure children have the correct PE kit with them on these days (white T shirts, black shorts and appropriate footwear)

Thank you for your support with this.



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. It is the Wakefield Local Authority that issues the fines and the money goes to the authority and not to our school.

If a school can **improve** attendance by **1%**, they will see a **5-6%** improvement in **attainment**.

(Department for Education and Skills)

Please **help** your child and us by ensuring their attendance remains above **96%**, allowing them to **achieve** their potential.

CALENDAR 2019/20

Events at The Rookeries

September

Wednesday 25th Year 2 visit to Pontefract Castle (details to follow)
 Wednesday 25th Year 1 visit to Pontefract Castle (details to follow)
 Thursday 26th Year 1/2 visit to Pontefract Castle (details to follow)
 Friday 27th Macmillan Coffee Morning

October

Monday 21st School Photographs
 Wednesday 23rd Harvest Festival am
 Friday 25th School closes for Half Term

November

Monday 4th School reopens



New Extension

The extension is looking amazing.
 Completion is hopefully next
 Thursday and then Year 5 and 6
 will be moving in and we will get our
 field and playground back.



There are currently places available in our Nursery for September 2019.
 Your child will need to be three years old before September in order to
 meet the necessary criteria.
 Application forms are available from Main Reception.

After School Clubs

All clubs will be starting week beginning 16th September.
 Further details will follow next week.

Chartwells Menu

Week Commencing Monday 9th September



<u>Monday</u>	Red	Spaghetti Bake
	Blue	Cheese and Tomato Pizza
<u>Tuesday</u>	Red	Chinese Chicken with a Rice Side
	Blue	Quorn Bolognese
<u>Wednesday</u>	Red	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes and Gravy
	Blue	Sweet Potato and Chickpea Roast
<u>Thursday</u>	Red	BBQ Beef Meatballs
	Blue	Butternut Squash and Tomato Bake
<u>Friday</u>	Red	Fish Fingers and Chips
	Blue	Caramelised Red Onion Tart with Chips
<u>Daily</u>	Green	Jacket Potato
	Purple	Sandwiches (Ham or Cheese)

Reminder - Payments by Cash and Cheques

Information on how to register on Parentmail can be found by using the
 following link:
<https://www.parentmail.co.uk/help/parenthelp/registration/registration-faqs/>

Books of the Month



I, Cosmo
By Carlie Sorosiak



My Pet Star
Corrinne Averiss