



**THE ROOKERIES  
CARLETON**

JUNIOR, INFANT  
& NURSERY SCHOOL

**Friday 7th May 2021**

**Dear Parents / Carers**

**At the Rookeries we pride ourselves on our inclusion of all pupils and the diversity of our school community. This week, we have been taking part in Deaf Awareness Week. Throughout the week pupils have been looking at what it means to deaf, and exploring the differences encountered by deaf people. We have also shared in the experiences of Gerry Hughes, who became the first deaf sailor to singlehandedly cross the Atlantic Ocean. The children have been studying Gerry's achievements and have watched his documentary, the Silent Odyssey and they even got the chance to meet him this afternoon. Each class had the opportunity to ask him questions about the challenges and difficulties he had to overcome on his amazing journey. It was a truly inspiring session to see what can be achieved through determination and courage.**

**I hope you all have a great weekend and I look forward to welcoming you and your children on Monday.**

**Kind regards**

**Richard Grogan  
Headteacher**



### Parents evening reminder

These will be taking place on the 26/27 May virtually using the Schoolcloud. More details of how they will be taking place and how to sign up will be in next week's newsletter.

### Online safety parent workshop reminder

There will be an online safety parent workshop 6-7pm via zoom on Monday 10 May. This is a great opportunity for parents to learn about the latest ways to keep children safe online and help them become more confident internet users. Could you please let us know if you would be interested in attending this by emailing [admin@rookeries.patrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@rookeries.patrust.org.uk)

### Dates for your Diary

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	6-7pm - Online Safety Parent Workshop (via Zoom)
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Switch from ParentMail to MCAS complete
Wednesday May 26 <sup>th</sup>	School Cloud Parents Evening
Thursday May 27 <sup>th</sup>	School Cloud Parents Evening
Friday May 28 <sup>th</sup>	PE – Race Event (Reception, Year 1, Year 4, Year 5) others years to be confirmed

## **The Prince of Wales Hospice needs your child's help to celebrate the real Superheroes of our community!**

The Hospice have set up a Hospice Hero Challenge where your child will have the opportunity take part in several creative and motivating challenges so they can become a Hospice Hero.

- Your child will receive a 'Hero Challenge' pack which includes various fun activities for them to complete in school and at home.
- As a Hospice Hero they will have the opportunity to create their own mask whilst they take on their 'super' adventure.
- Once your child has completed their Hospice Hero Challenge they will be rewarded with a certificate and a very special badge.

As well as the Hospice Hero pack, every primary school within our Trust will be taking part in a thrill-seeking Superhero Sprint. This will take place at The Rookeries on Friday 28th May. Your child will be provided with a special Superhero cape, which they will get to keep. This will help to power them through the challenge!

You will see the Hospice Hero pack does include a sponsorship form, however due to being cashless, we have set up the below txt code that you can use to donate money if you would like to. Please feel free to share this code with family and friends.

**Text ROK 3 to 70085 to donate £3**

**Text ROK 5 to 70085 to donate £5**

**Text ROK 10 to 70085 to donate £10**

Any number from £1 to £20 works in this way. Every penny makes a difference. All texts will be charged at the normal rate.

Thank you so much for your support, we hope that your child enjoys their Hospice Hero adventure!

"A Superhero is an ordinary individual who finds strength to preserve and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles." – Superman

Thank you again

## Star of the Week Certificates



Class	Star of the Week
Nursery	Alice B
Reception	Reece W
Class 1	Poppy S
Class 1/2	Lilly B
Class 2	Corey-Lee H
Class 3	Jaxon M
Class 3/4	Tyler B
Class 4	Ava H
Class 5	River W
Class 6	Abigail T-L

## Attendance

Class	Attendance
Nursery	94.9%
Reception	98.8%
Year 1	95.7%
Year 1/2	94.3%
Year 2	93.6%
Year 3	98.3%
Year 3/4	95.5%
Year 4	98.3%
Year 5	94.1%
Year 6	99.3%

Attendance this week overall – 96.6%

Attendance this year overall – 97.8%

## **Notices**

### **Rookeries Resource Base**

We would like to let you know that there has been a recent consultation with parents of all of our deaf children, who attend our Resource provision.

The consultation was based around a name change from Deaf and Hearing Impaired Resource to Rookeries Deaf Resource. Moving forward the name of our provision will be the Rookeries Deaf Resource.

### **Reporting Absence**

When reporting absence, please leave a message on the attendance line by contacting the school directly.

Please do not report any absences via dojo or through class teachers.

### **Local Residents – Polite Reminder**

We have had a few complaints from local residents with regard to parking at both drop off and pick up times.

Could we please be mindful of our local residents, ensure that we are not blocking any driveways and allowing them enough room for access.

### **Headlice**

We have had a few reported cases of headlice, please see letter sent out and ensure you check your child regularly.

**My Child At School (MCAS)**



**Please Note: You can no longer make payments via ParentMail for breakfast club or school dinners.**

From **Monday 10<sup>th</sup>** all payments should be made through MCAS. All existing balances will be transferred. Please make sure you have signed up for the app.

Class DoJo will continue to be used by the Class teachers but school wide communications will now be sent via MCAS.

**All primary and secondary contacts with parental consent should have now received details.**

**Please ensure you log on or email [admin@rookeries.patrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@rookeries.patrust.org.uk) and let us know if you have any problems.**

## Next Weeks Lunch Menu

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Hot Main Dish</b>	<b>Vegetable Supreme Pizza with dough balls</b>  <i>Cheesy tomato pizza slice topped with sweetcorn and peppers</i>	<b>Chicken Korma with a rice side</b>  <i>A mild and creamy chicken curry</i>	<b>Roast Turkey with potatoes and Gravy</b>  <i>Succulent roast Turkey with fluffy roasties and tasty gravy</i>	<b>Cottage Pie</b>  <i>Home cooked minced beef and onions with a crispy potato topping</i>	<b>Golden Fish Fingers and Chips</b>  <i>Crispy Fish Fingers and scrummy chips</i>
<b>Alternative dish</b>		<b>The Incredible Burger served with Potato Wedges</b>  <i>Meatless burger in a sift bap with ketchup</i>	<b>Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy</b>	<b>Vege Balls in Tomato Sauce with Pasta **</b>  <i>Vege Balls in a tomato sauce with pasta</i>	<b>Quorn Nuggets and Chips (V)</b>  <i>Crispy Quorn nuggets with their favourite sauce - ketchup</i>
<b>Third Choice</b>		<b>Jacket Potato with Salmon Mayonnaise ***</b>			
<b>Grab Bags</b>	<b>Ham, Cheese or Tuna Sandwich</b> on Chef's choice of bread served with Veg Sticks, Fresh Fruit and Dessert of the Day				
<b>Jacket Potato</b>	<b>Jacket Potato With A Choice Of Fillings – Tuna, Cheese or Beans</b>				
<b>Pasta</b>	<b>Tomato and Basil Pasta ** (V)</b> <i>A delicious fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta</i>				
<b>Vegetables</b>	Coleslaw Sweetcorn	Peas Broccoli	Carrots Cabbage	Broccoli Sweetcorn	Baked Beans Peas
<b>Desserts</b>	Chocolate and Raspberry Swirl Cake	Strawberry Ice Cream	Shortbread Biscuit with Fruit Slices*	Secret Brownie	Apricot and Carrot Slice*

Cool Water, Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt available daily

\*Fruit Based    \*\*Wholegrain    \*\*\*Oily Fish    (V) Vegetarian

# **PONTEFRACT ATHLETICS CLUB**

## **TRACK AND FIELD ATHLETICS**

We are looking for young athletes to join our club and represent us in athletics competitions in the **Yorkshire and District Athletics League** and the **West Yorkshire Track and Field League** from April to September each year. Some of your pupils may also wish to take part in Cross Country Running, which we do in the autumn and winter months.

**We are now accepting children from the age of 7 and above.**

### **TRAINING NIGHTS AND VENUES FROM 1<sup>st</sup> APRIL 2021**

**MONDAYS** – 7.00 to 8.00 pm at Dorothy Hyman Sports Centre, Cudworth – cost £2.50.

**FRIDAYS** – 7.00 to 8.00 pm at The Kings School, Pontefract - cost £2.50 (£1.50 if you train on Monday at Cudworth)

**WHAT WE DO IN TRAINING** – We have qualified coaches, who are able to provide training sessions across the full range of athletics events, including sprints, hurdles, endurance running, long jump, high jump, triple jump, pole vault, shot putt, discus, javelin and hammer.

Anyone, who is interested in joining, can contact Cyril Jones or just turn up at any of the training venues.

**CONTACT – CYRIL JONES**

**TEL: 01977 702986**

**E-MAIL: [cyriljones97@talktalk.net](mailto:cyriljones97@talktalk.net)**

**WEBSITE: [www.pontefractathletics.club](http://www.pontefractathletics.club)**





# D.E Sports Coaching



## What do we offer?

**Girls** only football academy sessions to start with involving 2 different age groups. Chance of a progression, This will be extended if numbers grow rapidly. **Ellie** and **Danny** are excited to welcome all girls to the sessions, which will take place in Pontefract.

121 specialised football sessions for girls all ages welcome- positional specific individualised sessions involving SAQ, ball mastery, passing/receiving, dribbling, finishing and gameplay with a progression for each player linked to video analysis.

## What will our sessions involve?

Fun and engaging sessions for girls of all ages and abilities including- SAQ, skills-based drills, mini games, tournaments, competitive games. Qualified and experienced coaches will deliver the coaching every week, with a direct approach to improve all girls and aid their football development throughout

## When? Where? Prices?

**Starting Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

**5 – 6 pm (arrive at 4:50)**

X2 Ages groups (6-8, and 9-11ages)

Kit will also be available to purchase



Location- The New Aspire Astro @ the park facility in Pontefract!  
Aspire@thepark  
Pontefract Park  
Park Road  
Pontefract  
WF8 4RA



Opportunities to play against professional teams

Prices £4.50 per session or £4 if you book a 6 week block booking, to register your interest or for more information and a registration form please get in touch via email at [desportscoach@outlook.com](mailto:desportscoach@outlook.com) or 07852433202 (Ellie White)

## Lateral Flow Self -Test Kits

# Lateral Flow Self-Test Kits

Lateral flow tests are now available for parents / carers to order – please see the links below to support you with this:

<https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/>

[Schools, nurseries and colleges testing: order coronavirus \(COVID-19\) rapid lateral flow home test kits - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)



## Useful Contacts

Useful well-being and mental health information:

### For children and young people:

**WF- I-CAN**

<https://wf-i-can.co.uk/>

**Young Minds**

<https://youngminds.org.uk/>

**CAMHS Single point of access**

01977 735865

<https://www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/services/camhs-wakefield>

Childline has an advice and support section with British Sign Language and ways to contact childline.

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## DEAF ZONE

If you are d/Deaf or hard of hearing, we've got lots of advice and support for you in English and British Sign Language (BSL).

### Deaf Zone BSL Video

Deaf Zone

How can we help? First of all have a look at the videos.

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## **For Adults:**

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/health-care-and-advice/public-health/mental-health-wellbeing/mental-health-support>

### **Mind**

<https://www.mind.org.uk/>

[Turning Point Talking Therapies](#)

01924 234860

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/health-care-and-advice/public-health/mental-health-wellbeing/mental-health-support>

### **School Uniform Stockists**

Our School Uniform stockists are both still operating and orders can be made for school wear, book bags and PE kits.

Signature Retail, Ropergate, Pontefract

Signature Retail are operating a click and collect system as well as accepting orders online through their website [www.signatureretail.co.uk](http://www.signatureretail.co.uk)

If you would like to make a purchase via phone, please telephone 01977 600324. Payments can be made over the phone and items can be collected at certain times.

### **Better and Bright Schoolwear**

Better and Bright Schoolwear are currently taking orders through their website:

[www.betterandbrightschoolwear.co.uk](http://www.betterandbrightschoolwear.co.uk)

Alternatively, you may purchase items by calling 07486 140776 or 07837 078981

**Thank you for your continued cooperation and support**