



Newsletter 25th October 2024

Dear Rumboldswyke families,

We've made it to half term! This has quite possibly been the longest half term I can remember: 8 weeks long! The children have certainly earned their half term break and we hope they get plenty of time to rest, ready for the 7 school week countdown to Christmas!

Now that I've mentioned the C word, I'd like to share the following dates with you.

Mark your calendars:

- **Nativity Service in St. George's Church** – 17th Dec at 10am. During this service, the children in Reception perform the story of the nativity whilst the rest of the school narrate through readings and carols.
- **Year 1 / 2 Christmas Production** - Thursday 12th December (Performances at 2pm & 5pm). This is a musical festive delight where ALL children in year 1 and 2 don fabulous costumes and sing and dance their hearts out. Further details to follow
- **Winter Wonderland Disco** – 29th November (timings TBC)

We hope to see you there as we celebrate the joy of the season together!

Parents Evening Feedback & Follow-up

Green Classes' Parents Evening has been rearranged for Monday 11th & Tuesday 12th November.

Appointments will be available to book through the Arbor Parent Portal / Arbor App from 6pm this evening: Friday 25th October.



Thank you to all the parents who attended our recent Parents' Evening and shared their feedback through our questionnaire. We're delighted to hear so many positive responses regarding our teachers' dedication and the school's supportive and nurturing environment!

A few key areas for growth were also identified, and we're eager to explore these with you. We'd love for you to join us at our upcoming **Cup of Tea with the Head** meeting, where we can explore how we can make our communication and experience for your children even better

Cup of Tea with the Head

-  Monday 4th November
-  2pm
-  Rumboldswyke School

I look forward to seeing you there and I promise to provide some biscuits too!

Something that was mentioned in the parental questionnaire was our lockdown procedures. Please be assured this is part of our Emergency Plan. The Emergency Plan is reviewed every September during our first staff inset day. I also reminded all staff of the procedure after the incident in a local school a few weeks ago. If anyone would like further details on this, please get in touch.

Secondary School Applications:

Just a reminder for those parents of Year 6 children who have not yet submitted their secondary school application to West Sussex County Council.

The deadline is Thursday 31st October.

Green Class Residential Meeting

Mr Dickin will be holding a meeting for parents and children of Green Class about the upcoming Residential in March.

This meeting will be held in the school hall on **Thursday 7th November at 3:20pm.**



'Love life, love learning, love God's world'



PE / Forest school Timetable for Autumn Term 2

Please find below a timetable of PE / Forest School / Swimming sessions for the next half term. On the day where your child has PE, they can come into school in their PE kits. For those children taking part in swimming lessons, please see the email sent earlier today regarding clothing and items needed in school on those days.

For those children participating in Forest School next half term, this will happen whatever the weather, so it is important that children come prepared. Children will need to bring in a change of clothes that they don't mind getting dirty in a named bag ready for their forest school session in the afternoon. They will also need a sturdy pair of old shoes or wellies and depending on the forecast, warm, waterproof jacket and trousers.

	PE	Swimming	Forest School
Monday	Reception Yr 1 Yr 2 Year 4	Yr 3	
Tuesday	Year 1		
Wednesday	Green Class		Blue Class
Thursday	Yellow Class		Green Class
Friday	Red Class Green Class		

The Little Red Shop

The Little Red Shop will be selling all pre-loved school uniform. Opening after half term between 2:45pm – 3:30pm every Friday near the main entrance to the school.

Cash only!

Please come and support. The money raised will be going towards a new playground for the school. More donations and items are needed, such as:

School jumpers / cardigans / fleeces	School t-shirts / blouses
School trousers / shorts / dresses	School PE kit
Coats	Rugby / football boots
School shoes	Trainers
Wellies	

Please hand in any donations to the school office
Halloween Party @ St George's Church

On Sunday 3rd November 2pm-3:30pm, there will be a Halloween Party for families at St George's.

The event will look at the Christian roots of Halloween in the feasts of All Souls and All Saints. It will include activities and crafts in the

centre and a time of prayer in the church to remember loved ones who have died. Do also come dressed up in your best Halloween costume. There will be a prize for the best fancy dress. Refreshments are provided. There is a suggested donation of £3.50 per family. If you would like to read more about Halloween from a Christian perspective, you can read Fr Angus' reflection [here](#) or go to the Church of England [website](#). Copies are available in the church too.



Have a lovely half term!

With warmest wishes,
Lisa Harris





Diary Dates

October 2024

25th Oct Yellow Class – Explorer Day
Red Class – Roman Exhibition

28th Oct – 1st Nov Half Term

November 2024

4th Nov Cup of Tea with the Head (2pm)
Art Club (Yrs 1 – 6)

5th Nov Multi-Sports Club (Yrs 1 – 3)

6th Nov Phonics Workshop

Dance Club (Yr 1 – 6)

Football Club (Yr 3 – 6)

7th Nov Green Class Residential Meeting (3:20pm)

11th Nov Swimming (Year 3)

Art Club (Yrs 1 – 6)

12th Nov Multi-Sports Club (Yrs 1 – 3)

13th Nov Dance Club (Yr 1 – 6)

Football Club (Yr 3 – 6)

18th Nov Swimming (Year 3)

Art Club (Yrs 1 – 6)

19th Nov Multi-Sports Club (Yrs 1 – 3)

20th Nov Maths Workshop

Dance Club (Yr 1 – 6)

Football Club (Yr 3 – 6)

25th Nov Swimming (Year 3)

Art Club (Yrs 1 – 6)

26th Nov Multi-Sports Club (Yrs 1 – 3)

27th Nov Dance Club (Yr 1 – 6)

Football Club (Yr 3 – 6)

29th Nov Christmas Disco (after school)

December 2024

2nd Dec Swimming (Year 3)

Art Club (Yrs 1 – 6)

3rd Dec Multi-Sports Club (Yrs 1 – 3)

4th Dec No Dance Club

Football Club (Yr 3 – 6)

9th Dec Swimming (Year 3)

Art Club (Yrs 1 – 6)

10th Dec Multi-Sports Club (Yrs 1 – 3)

11th Dec Dance Club (Last session)

Football Club (Yr 3 – 6)

12th Dec Year 1 & 2 Christmas Production (Performances at 2pm & 5pm)

16th Dec Swimming (Year 3)

17th Dec Nativity at the Church (10am)

20th Dec Last day of Term

21st Dec – 6th Jan Christmas Holidays

January 2025

6th Dec INSET Day

7th Dec First day of the Spring term

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2nd September – Friday 20th December

Half Term - Monday 28th – Friday 1st November

INSET Day Monday 2nd September – children not in school

Children's first day of school will be Tuesday 3rd September

INSET Day Monday 21st October – children not in school

Spring Term 2025

Monday 6th January – Friday 4th April

Half Term – Monday 17th – Friday 21st February

INSET Day Monday 6th January – children not in school

Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22nd April – Tuesday 22nd July

Half Term – Monday 26th – Friday 30th May

Please note we are still in the process of organising the remaining 2 INSET days for the next academic year and will share these dates with you as soon as we can.