# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER Date: 21<sup>st</sup> October 2021



**Dear Parents** 

We break up for October half term today and return to school on Monday Ist November. It has been great to get back to some normalities to include a lovely Harvest service this morning. Please do remember however that the virus is still very much present and we must all remember to keep ourselves and others safe. A letter from Cheshire West and Chester Council has been emailed to all parents; please do take time to read it. When we return after the half term break we will still be observing social distancing and request that parents continue to wear a face covering during drop off/pick up. Thank you for your assistance in keeping our school community safe.



**BABY NEWS** I am delighted to tell you that Miss Howarth has had a beautiful baby boy. Both mum and baby are really well. As some of you may be aware, Miss Simon has also now started her maternity leave. We will keep you updated when her little one arrives.

**MENTAL HEALTH DAY** On Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November children will be taking part in workshops, lessons and games delivered by Rossmore staff to learn why it is important to look after our Mental Health. We have a special lunch menu full of pupil's favourites this day as follows:

Main	Sides	Pudding
Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Chips	Old School Cake (vanilla sponge with icing & sprinkles)
Mac & Cheese	Sweetcorn	Fresh Fruit Salad
Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Salad Bar	Yoghurt
Bread Roll with a Choice of Fillings		

The menu can be pre-ordered via School Grid or your child can order in class during morning registration

### **SCHOOL DINNERS**

**ALLERGIES** if your child has a food allergy/dietary requirement this MUST be entered on your child's School Grid account. Without this information our kitchen staff will not be able to ensure that meals provided will be 100% correct for your child.

**DINNER MONEY** As mentioned in last week's newsletter; any debts/credits will be carried across to your new account on School Grid.



**SEND DROP IN** Mrs Bouckley has a SEND drop in on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November, please email <u>bbouckley@rossmore.cheshire.sch.uk</u> to arrange a time to come in.

**FLU VACCINE** If your child missed out on this week's flu vaccine then please call 01244 397 470 to book on to a catch up clinic.

**READ-A-THON** Well done to all our pupils for taking part in Monday's Read-A-Thon! The grand total sponsorship money raised is **£1,411.50**! Thank you to all our parents and friends of Rossmore for being so generous; this money will enable us to update our reading corners in the classrooms so that children can continue their love of reading.



HARVEST FESTIVAL This week we had a visitor from Forum Housing https://forumhousing.co.uk/ who



came in to speak to pupils about the importance of Harvest Festival. Thank you to all parents and pupils for your food donations; Forum Housing were very grateful to receive them all. These items will be shared out between current families and also new residents arriving at their facility.

**DANGEROUS DRIVING** Parents are reminded to drive carefully during drop off and pick up. We have reported a car this week who drove dangerously outside of the school gates actually driving across the grass verge on the corner of Red Lion Lane. Our local PCSO has already been out to monitor the parking/driving situation and reported her findings via social media, which was not nice to read. Please be extra cautious around school and be aware that the speed limit is 20MPH.

#### **AUTUMN TERM ROTAS**

**Reminder-** the normal school day is as follows:

- Gates open: 8:45 am
- Gates close: 8:55 am
- Infant Home Time: 3:15 pm
- Junior Home Time: 3:20 pm

#### P.E. and Forest School rotas have changed for next half term. Please check below:

Activity/ Day	PE	FOREST SCHOOL	SWIMMING
Monday	Year I Year 4		Year 2
Tuesday	Year 6 Year 5		
Wednesday	Rec Year 2		Year 5
Thursday	Year 3 Year 6		
Friday	Year 4 Year I	Year 3	

• **SWIMMING-** Swimming lessons will continue after half term break for Years 2 & 5 beginning w/c Monday I<sup>st</sup> November. The cost to parents is  $\pounds$ I per week to cover transport costs, and this should be paid via School Spider. Please note that girls are to wear full piece swimming costumes and boys are to wear swimming trunks (shorts are not permitted). If your child needs to wear swimming goggles, please can you write a short note to this effect and hand to the class teacher or into the school office. All long hair to be tied back. Children to come to school wearing normal school uniform with their swimming kit + towel in a bag.

• **PE**- Children are to come to school on their allocated PE days in their normal PE kit (white t-shirt, black shorts, plain black pumps/trainers). Children should now be expected to wear the correct PE kit not football kits etc. However, we recommend that children wear black tracksuit/jogging bottoms and top in case of poor weather and to keep warm in the classroom. Children must also come to school wearing a coat.

• Forest School- Next half term Year3 will be attending Forest School every Friday afternoon. Children will need to come to school on the relevant day wearing clothes and shoes appropriate for outdoor activities and that you don't mind getting muddy! Children will either walk or be transported by minibus to and from the Scout hut so all pupils will be collected from Rossmore School at their class's usual home time (see timetable above).

**RESIDENTIAL TRIPS** Reminder: The payment section on School Spider has been updated for each residential trip. Payments have been broken down into instalment options so that you can spread the cost. Here is a reminder of all residential trips planned for this academic year:

Year group	Trip	Dates	Cost	Payment deadline
I	Delamere	22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2022 (Inight)	£35	28.02.22
2	Delamere	23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2022 (2nights)	£70	28.02.22
4	JCA- Condover Hall	27 <sup>th</sup> April 2022 (2nights)	£100	Deposit: £25 due 31.12.21
				Final balance: £75 due by 31.03.22
5&6	London	24 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 (4nights)	£250	Deposit: £50 due 31.12.21
				Payment 1: £50 due 31.01.22
				Payment 2: £50 due 28.02.22
				Payment 3: £50 due 31.03.22
				Payment 4: £50 due 30.04.22

Please note: some pupils are exempt from paying, please enquire at the school office if you are unsure.

## 2021/2022 DIARY DATES

Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct				
Mon I <sup>st</sup> Nov	Pupils return to school			
	Mental Health Awareness Day			
Thu 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	SEND drop in PM			
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Own Clothes Day- bring a bottle for Christmas Fair Tombola			
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Own Clothes Day- bring sweets/chocolate for Christmas Fair Tombola			
Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Christmas Fair- more info to follow			
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	Own Clothes Day- bring chocolate for Christmas Bingo			
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Bingo- more info to follow			
Thu 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	SEND drop in AM			
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Jumper Day- bring £1 for Save the Children charity			
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6:30pm Key Stage 2 Winter Production			
Thu I6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1:30pm Key Stage 1 and Reception class Winter Production			
Fri I7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Break up for Christmas Holidays			
RESIDENTIAL TRIPS 2022				
Tue 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Year I- Delamere (I night)			
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	Year 2- Delamere (2 nights)			
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Year 4- JCA (2 nights)			
Tue 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5&6- London (3 nights)			
Full term dates for this, and next, academic year can be found here on our website:				
http://www.rossmore.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/2547522				

As you can see from our diary dates we are hoping to have a Christmas Fair and Christmas Bingo this year. Obviously this will be fully dependent on the situation with Covid so do please look out for further updates after we return from the half term break.

Have a fabulous half term break. Best wishes,

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