



Rushton CE Primary School

Weekly Newsletter 23rd October 2020

Team Day

On Wednesday this week, the whole school visited three local areas of interest; the River Dane, Gun Moor and the Cloud. These locations are the names of the school teams this year, and the trip has helped pupils learn about the geography of the local areas. At each location, children took part in different activities and focused on certain aspects of the land. Although the weather was not bright sunshine, it remained dry and the children were able to experience the mist and fog at Gun Moor, which heightened the Autumnal atmosphere. Thank you to all those who came along and supported the trip. The children and staff thoroughly enjoyed their day together and it was a perfect reward for everyone's hard work.

Team Dane



Team Cloud



Team Gun Moor



Goodbye

On Wednesday, we said goodbye to Mrs Strong, who has worked at Rushton school for over 14yrs. Mrs Strong worked as the school SENCO and supported staff and children. She joined children on their trip on Wednesday and was presented with her gift at the top of the Cloud. We wish Mrs Strong all the best for her future and look forward to seeing her at other school events.

Miss Mellor has successfully been appointed the new school SENCO and will begin in her role after the half term break.





Apple Pressing

The children and staff learned a new skill this week, they made apple juice. Just like a production line, they all helped to chop, dice and press the apples. Afterwards, they sat and enjoyed a sample of freshly pressed apple juice. It was very tasty and enjoyed by almost all of the children. A big thank you to John and Steve for providing this experience for the children.



Team Gun

Moor

Perse

Charlotte

Tom

Caitlin

Jacob

Henry N

Annabelle

Isabelle

Lauren

Ellie

Ruby

Team of the week

A huge 'Well done' to Team Gun Moor. Your team get a pair of walking boots on the chart.



Before school sport club Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3rd November

From Tuesday 3rd November, before school sport club will also be available on Tuesday mornings from 8.00. This club will be funded through the PE and Sport funding, so there will be no charge. The same applies as Thursdays but children in Owl and Badger Class do not need to wear full PE kits, just trainers. However, Hedgehog class will be taking part in a PE lesson as part of their morning activities so they will need to come to school in their PE kits, whether they are joining the before school sport club or not. Any questions, please ask.

Harvest Donations

This morning, children took part in their own Harvest worship in their classes and the message of Harvest was discussed.

Thank you for all of the donations for the local food bank in Leek. These donations will be given out to local families who are in need. Also, thank you to Sam Hughes for delivering the donations to the food bank.



Seesaw

Thank you to all the parents in Owl and Badger class for consenting to use Seesaw. Class teachers will be trialling this application over the next few weeks, to help parents, children and staff to get familiar with it.



Owl Class Teddy Bear Picnic

The Owl Class Teddy Bears' picnic took place on Thursday afternoon. The children spent the afternoon making a harvest soup, (which was best described as runny, lumpy and not that nice) and then decorated biscuits (which were much better!)



Hedgehog class

Children in Hedgehog class have had a great week playing on their new up-cycled school bus! During role play, they made tickets and took turns to be the conductor and passengers, and then turned it into a works van, and they were working night shifts!

Thank you to Lee and Henry Newsome for volunteering to make the bus, it is a brilliant addition to the outside classroom.

Mrs Brown would like to ask for more pallets, if anyone knows of any available please? Please contact her on lbrown@tllt.org.uk

Badger Class

On the first Tuesday back after half term, Badger class will need to bring their Forest school kits to school.

St Lawrence's Church

Thank you for all of the bulb donations received in school this week. Today, the children in Badger Class have planted these bulbs in pots, to care for them over the winter. In the Spring they bulbs will be replanted at St Lawrence's Church.

On Sunday 1st November, children are invited to help plant 40kg of daffodil bulbs that have been donated by villagers in the church grounds at 10am. It would be lovely to see as many children as possible join in with the churchyard tidy up.

On Sunday 8th November there will be an outdoor Remembrance service at St Lawrence's Church, at 10.45am. Everyone is invited for a short service.

Admissions Reception 2021-22

The application window for Reception class 2021-22 opens on 1st November until 15th January 2021. More information about admissions and how to apply can be found at <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Admissions-primary/Apply/Overview.aspx>

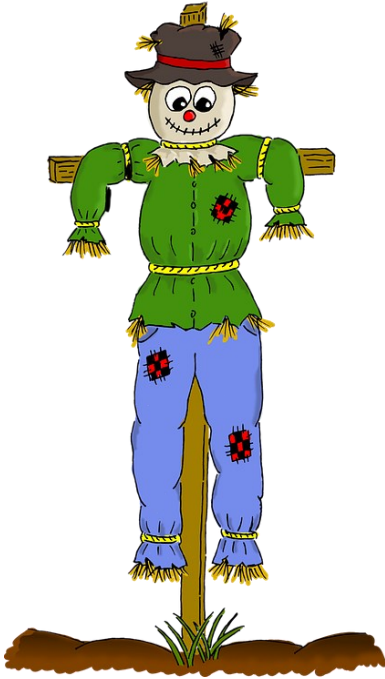
PTA

Today is the start of the Scarecrow & pumpkin trail.

We hope to see many families over the weekend enjoying the trail and visiting the scarecrows.

Don't forget, there has been a change to the route, and it will now be starting from the Royal Oak pub and follow the footpath through the fields up to St Lawrence's Church, Rushton. Please be aware the new route involves crossing the main road opposite the pub; therefore, we will be providing hi-vis jackets for the children to wear after school today.

We do hope that as many children as possible can take part after school as it should be a lovely way to start the half term. All children need to be accompanied by their own parents/guardians, and don't forget the trail will be there all weekend for people to enjoy. Donation boxes will be along the route, and all funds for the PTA.



Rushton Primary School Sponsored Virtual adventure to Lapland

**165
miles
walked
so far!**

The PTA have organised a virtual sponsored event to Lapland for the children and school staff to take part in. Over the next 9 weeks they can walk, run, cycle, scooter or even hop the 1384 miles to Lapland and if they reach their target by the 11th December, they will get a Christmas surprise.

Information to parents, sponsor forms and mileage forms have been sent home.

There has also been a Go Fund me page set up for the donations, please feel free to share it far and wide.

gofundme.com/f/Rushton-primary-school-virtual-walk2020



We want to wish them all the best of luck on their adventure and can't wait to see how they get on.

Half term holiday club

Next week is half term but school will be open for **Sugar Street Kids club** on Monday 26th October. Places are available so please contact Andrea directly on 07814969059. Dates are still available for the week beginning Mon 2nd November for designing Christmas cards during the after school club. Designs will then be sent off for printing in time for the festive

School reopens on Monday 2nd November. Have a lovely half term break everyone and remember to keep active by clocking up the miles for our virtual walk to Lapland.



Congratulations to this week's school lottery winner

Mrs Newsome

Thanks for your support

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/>

Information for parents and carers on suspected COVID-19 (coronavirus) in a child

WHEN TO SUSPECT COVID-19 IN YOUR CHILD:

if they develop symptoms of a new continuous cough and/or high temperature and/or a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

Do not send your child to school or childcare setting. Inform the setting through absence reporting

If your child develops symptoms at the childcare setting, they will be separated from others, and will **be sent home**

If your child (or anyone in your household) has symptoms they must arrange a test **as soon as possible** and isolate at home for **10 days** from date of onset of symptoms (or until they receive a negative result). Everyone else in the household who does not have symptoms must isolate at home for 14 days (or until the symptomatic household member receives a negative result)

Arrange for a coronavirus test for anyone in your household with symptoms either online via www.nhs.uk/coronavirus or call NHS testing line on 119. The test must be done within **five days** of when symptoms start. Ensure you know who to contact with the results in the school/childcare setting if the results are received outside usual working hours

You will be offered a test at your closest drive-through centre. This is the quickest option. A parent or carer will need to perform the test on children under 12 years old. If you don't drive, you can request a home test kit. **Do not** get a taxi or public transport to the test centre

Result of test (you will receive this by email or text message)

NEGATIVE

Child/staff member can return to setting once well, unless they are a contact of a case, when they will need to complete 14 days self-isolation

If your child is identified as having been in contact with a confirmed case, they will need to self-isolate for 14 days, even if they have had a negative test result. If they develop symptoms, they should isolate for 10 days from onset of symptoms, arrange testing and follow the flowchart above

For medical advice call NHS 111, or in an emergency call 999

POSITIVE

Inform the school or childcare setting as soon as possible even if outside opening hours. The child's close contacts within the school will be advised to self-isolate for 14 days

Ensure the child who has tested positive completes the **10 day** isolation period (from date of onset of symptom)*. Household members without symptoms should complete 14 days isolation

NHS Test & Trace will send you a text or email alert or call you with instructions of how to share details of people with whom you have had close, recent contact and places you have visited

*If the child is a confirmed case they can return to the childcare setting/school after 10 days. If they still have a temperature, diarrhoea or are being sick they should wait until 48 hours after these symptoms stop. If the child does not develop symptoms, but lives in a household with someone who has tested positive, they can return to setting after completing 14 days self-isolation at home