



October 25th 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

The end to another half term is almost with us. It has been an extremely busy term and very challenging the past few weeks as we cope with the winter bugs that have seen many pupil and staff absences. Your patience and understanding has been appreciated.

A few updates and reminders:

Weather

Please can you ensure the children bring coats to school EVERY DAY, even if they come on the bus! The weather is getting colder and there is no shortage of rain!

Diary Dates

Keep an eye on the website calendar as more dates are added.

After School Clubs

There have been a number of requests for children to change clubs. I'm afraid we are unable to make any changes as if we do it for one, we would have to do it for all. We have learnt from past experiences, as it causes a lot of disruption at the end of the day and we need to make sure every child leaves the site safely and we know where they are going. There will be a new list of clubs for children to sign up to in the spring term.

Afternoon Clubs

Mr Brazil's and KidsBactive Thursday and Friday clubs continue after half term. Please contact them directly if your child would like a place.

I am currently looking at the viability of running our Monday and Thursday afternoon club in the spring term. A number of parents using the club this term have still not paid. Please ensure you pay without delay as the financial viability for this club to continue is key. I know many of you will want to make child care arrangements for the Spring. There is a new form to complete on the website and for me to see what take up will be in the spring I would be grateful if you could complete and return to the office the form **by Friday 28th October**. Children who currently attend the club will also need to complete a new form.

Parking

A reminder please of parking safely when dropping off and collecting children. Please do not park on the grass verges as cars cause damage to the surface during these wet months, leaving it unsafe. Please remember not to park in a place that blocks access to driveways or other road.



PTA

The PTA have organised a number of events for the children over the coming weeks, starting with the Spooky Disco on Thursday at 5.30pm. The PTA is now a very small group of hardworking volunteers who do what they can to raise money for our children. If you are able to support the PTA, please come along to meetings, as commitment to run events are only agreed at meetings and not over social media.

Harvest

Many thanks for all your donations for our Harvest Celebration last week. Raven House Trust came to collect them and were extremely grateful.

Stay and Play

Nursery have arranged dates for a parent to come and "Stay and Play" after half term. Miss Coleman will be sending a separate letter with details.

Y6 Residential

Please look out for a communication this week that will detail final price and remaining payment arrangements.

And finally ...

... we say goodbye to Mrs Mitchell (Y1SJ) who will be leaving us on Friday to pursue another career. We wish all the very best in her new venture and our thanks and gratitude go to her for all her hard work over the past 8 years here at Rogerstone! Thank you Mrs Mitchell and good luck!

Very best wishes and if I don't see you before the end of the week, have a lovely half term!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve Rayer'.

Steve Rayer
Headteacher