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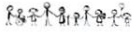

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Headteacher's Welcome	Welcome to our first newsletter of the Autumn Term – I hope you all had a very good summer break. We are aiming to get a regular newsletter to you starting from this term, which will be issued every two weeks. If you have any suggestions for articles you would like to see included, please let a member of the School Office team know.
Parent Teacher Meetings 	This term, our Parent Teacher Meetings will be held on Monday 9 November, from 1.30 to 6.30pm . We look forward to welcoming you for a productive discussion about your child, and ways in which you can help them with their learning.
School Uniform 	It has been lovely to see the children looking smart in their school uniforms. Please remember that, if you still have items you would like to purchase, particularly with the colder weather on its way, please visit our online uniform shop: www.marksandspencer.com/School-Uniforms .
Rise and Shine, Be on Time! 	Please remember that school starts at 9am prompt for Key Stage 1, and 8.55am prompt for KS2, when we expect all children to be in class ready for the school day. If you need to make an early start, you can drop your child at our fabulous Breakfast Club, which starts at 7.45am, where children can have a healthy breakfast and meet up with their friends – a great start to the day.
The End of the School Day HOMEtime	Please also collect your child promptly after the school day (3.20pm for Foundation Stage and KS1 and 3.30 pm for KS2). If they are going to be attending an after school club, this will finish at 4.30pm prompt. Thank you for your cooperation.
Reading at Home 	Fifteen minutes (at least) of daily reading at home should be given high priority. It doesn't just have to be your child reading aloud – it is good to vary the experience by sometimes reading to your child, taking turns to read a sentence at a time or visiting the library. The crucial thing is making it fun so your child enjoys the experience. Also don't forget to write a positive comment about your child's reading in their home school book and read it out to them!
Brightening our School – Volunteers Wanted!	Are you a painter or decorator who would be willing to volunteer to give our school lobby a couple of coats of white paint, to help brighten up our school entrance? We will provide materials, tea, coffee, biscuits and gratitude! If you can help, please contact the School Office.
After School Clubs 	You will already have received our After School Clubs newsletter informing you that clubs will be starting again on Tuesday 29 September. Please do remember that children's behaviour should be exemplary when attending our after school clubs, and if you have any suggestions for clubs you would like to see us run, please let the School Office know and we will see if we can accommodate them.
School Photographs 	The photographer will be here on Friday 9 October to take individual and sibling photos. A letter will be going out shortly. Please ensure that your child is looking extra smart in their full school uniform and, if they are in Years 1 to 6, that they are wearing their school tie.

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<p>Open Mornings</p> 	<p>Our Open Mornings for parents of children who are due to start either Nursery or Reception in September 2016 will be held on Tuesday 24 November.</p> <p>There will be a Nursery Meeting from 9.15 to 10.15 am <i>For children born from 1 September 2012 to 31 August 2013</i></p> <p>And a Reception Meeting from 10.30 to 11.30 am <i>For children born September 2011 to 31 August 2012</i></p> <p>Please do tell your friends to come along if they have children in the above age group.</p>
<p>Important - Admissions Deadlines</p> 	<p>Booklets from Wandsworth have already been sent out to Year 6 parents who need to apply for school for September 2016. The deadlines are:</p> <p>Reception applications – 15 January 2015 (booklets will come out next week)</p> <p>Secondary School applications – 31 October 2015.</p> <p>Independent and Grammar Schools – this varies, please see the Choose an Independent School brochure or your preferred school's website for full details.</p>
<p>Bicycles and Scooters</p> 	<p>Please note that, for Health and Safety reasons, bicycles and scooters are not permitted to be ridden on the school premises. This is to avoid accidents. Children should dismount as soon as they reach the school gates.</p>
<p>New School Website</p> 	<p>Our lovely new school website has now been launched! Please do have a look at it on www.roehampton.wandsworth.sch.uk. We will be populating it further in the coming months, however if there is something you would particularly like to see on our website, please let the School Office know.</p>
<p>School Meals</p> 	<p>We hope that your children are enjoying their school meals. Children should stay on the same lunch arrangement for at least half a term, however should your child wish to change, please speak with Mrs Larkin in the School Office as early as possible so that our cook can ensure she orders the right amount of food.</p>
<p>Lunch Money</p> 	<p>Please pay your child's lunch money on a regular basis, preferably every Monday, to avoid building up a debt. School meals cost £2 per child per day (£10 per week). If you think your child may be entitled to free school meals, please pick up a form from the School Office, even if they currently get a Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM) or bring a packed lunch, as our school receives extra funding for each child whose parents register. Thank you ☺</p>
<p>Community Notices</p> 	<p>Wimbledon Bookfest 2015 The Gruffalo will be outside Morrisons in Wimbledon on Saturday 24 September from 12pm to 4pm to launch this exciting event, which runs from 2-11 October, and includes a Harry Potter Celebration and Alice in Wonderland workshop! For more information, please visit www.wimbledonbookfest.org</p>
<p>Dates for your Diary</p> 	<p>INSET Day – School and Nursery Closed – Monday 28 September</p> <p>Closing Date for Secondary School Applications – Saturday 31 October</p> <p>Parent Teacher Meetings – Monday 9 November</p> <p>Open Day for Prospective Parents – Tuesday 24 November</p> <p>Closing Date for Primary School Applications – Friday 15 January</p> <p>Closing Date for Nursery Applications – Friday 12 February</p> <p>Have a great weekend!</p>

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