

Roseberry Primary & Nursery School



Reception Induction 2020

Welcome to Roseberry. We are very happy you have chosen to send your child here. Our philosophy is that every child matters and we will do all we can to ensure your child achieves his or her full potential. We pride ourselves on being a welcoming school and we want your child to be happy but above all, we want our pupils to have a good education as that is our core purpose and you only get one chance at it.

Firstly, we think of ourselves as a **reading** school. We promote reading in all sorts of interesting ways as reading really is the key to success at school. You can help too by hearing your child read when they start to bring books home and sharing and talking about stories. Research has shown that children who read a lot, do significantly better at school than those who don't.

Improving attendance is an Ofsted issue for us so we want to highlight key points in our attendance policy:

- Ring on the first day of absence and let us know. This is a safeguarding issue, so if we don't hear from you, we will telephone you to make sure your child is safe.
- Attendance monitoring happens regularly and non-attendance is always followed up.
- Governors follow government regulations so holidays in term time will not be approved unless the Headteacher decides there are exceptional circumstances. Each case is assessed individually and evidence must be provided.

If you have a query, in the first instance, please contact your child's teacher on Classdojo. You will be issued with a log-in for this website. The vast majority of our parents have signed up and it's really useful to see how your child is progressing and to keep in touch with school. You may also ring the school office and of course, once social distancing is over, you can speak to the teacher on the yard.

If you require further advice or support you may contact our parent support advisor, Mrs Donnelly, on 07771371391.

I have an open door policy and am happy to speak to parents about any concerns.

Finally, I just want to point out that your child's class teacher won't be in class every session of every day. All staff have 10% time for planning, preparation and assessment. Subject leaders have time out to monitor their subjects. This is the same in every school. Mrs Nunn is the R.E. co-ordinator and EYFS leader. Staff also attend training courses and may have to attend meetings for individual pupils. Wherever possible, we cover with our own staff but sometimes we need to book supply staff but again, we have a favoured agency and we use the same people.

We are really looking forward to welcoming your child to Reception in September and we're sure they will have a wonderful time, making new friends and learning a lot of exciting things!

Yours faithfully

Mrs J Lee

Headteacher