

Newsletter

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term. The first week back has been a productive one.

Every academic year I like to share the school vision with you so that everyone is aware of what we are striving to achieve as a school.

At Rokesly, we aim to create a culture where children learn to respect one another; to value individual differences and appreciate individual needs. We work hard to ensure that everyone is included and that everyone feels safe and secure.

As a whole school we aim to provide an environment that is purposeful, creative and dynamic; a place where children develop a thirst for learning that will stay with them throughout their lives. We want pupils to develop into resourceful, independent learners who are equipped with all the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in the modern world. We see the acquisition of technological skills as a fundamental part of this.

We want all our pupils to be able to make a positive contribution to the school community and we provide them with opportunities and encouragement to contribute to the wider community so that this may lay the foundation for them to become responsible global citizens of the future.

We aim for our school to be a place where individual strengths are developed so that children can make outstanding achievements, which will collectively result in Rokesly, becoming an outstanding school.

I am confident that through our partnership with you we can continue to build on our successes and ensure that our children have the very best education.

Yours faithfully,

Bola Soneye-Thomas

Head Teacher

Term Dates 2022-2023

Autumn Term 2022

01/09/2022 – 16/12/2022

Half Term 2022

24/10/22 – 28/10/2022

Spring Term 2023

03/01/2023 – 31/03/2023

Half Term 2023

13/02/2023 – 17/02/2023

Summer Term 2023

17/04/2023 – 21/07/2023

Half Term 2023

29/05/2023 – 02/06/2023

Tad Days

Thursday	01/09/2022
Friday	02/09/2022
Monday	31/10/2022
Tuesday	03/01/2023
Monday	05/06/2023

School Meals Costs

Autumn Term

1 st half	£87.50
2 nd half	£85.00
Total	£ 172.50

Spring Term

1 st half	£70.00
2 nd half	£75.00
Total	£145.00

Summer Term

1 st half	£72.50
2 nd half	£85.00
Total	£157.50

Visits and Visitors

Ecuador class and Trinidad and Tobago class have been in Pendarren Wales this week on a 5-day residential trip. Canada class will be going next week.

Inset Day

Our school as is part of a network learning community (NLC) made up of the schools that are geographically closest to us. We work in partnership with the other schools sharing good practice across our schools. On Monday, we had a shared inset day for the staff teams of all the primary aged schools. The theme of the day was racial literacy and Being the One. We found the day thought provoking and helpful in further developing our approach to inclusivity especially in terms of addressing some of the issues that might be preventing some groups of pupils from attaining in line with others.



Book Look

I hope that you found the opportunity to come into school and look at your child's books useful.

PSA Meeting

We are very much looking forward to the Junior Disco on Friday 18th November.

The PSA AGM will be on Wednesday 16th November from 7.30pm.

Rubik's Cube Club

One of our parents has offered to run a few lunchtime sessions for any of the children that would like to learn to solve a Rubik's cube. The children will be given the opportunity to put themselves forward.

School Improvement Priorities

Rokesly Junior School 2022 National Test Results	Age Expected	Greater depth
Reading	91% (74%)	49% (28%)
English grammar, spelling and punctuation	90% (72%)	58% (28%)
Writing	81% (70%)	33% (13%)
Maths	80% (71%)	35% (22%)

Numbers in brackets are national figures. Writing and maths are priority areas in our school improvement plan as we want the attainment in writing and maths to be more in line with that in reading and English grammar, spelling and punctuation.

Rokesly social media

Follow us on Instagram [**@Rokeslyjunior**](#) for a regular insight into life at Rokesly Juniors.