



Roseburn HT Weekly Update

Dear Roseburn Families

30 September 2022

What a dramatic end to the week, the House Captain speeches at the house meetings in the morning, and the driving rain and wild winds at lunchtime. The wind caught several picture frames which smashed on the ground, luckily not causing too much damage, nor was anyone hurt.

House Meetings

P7 representatives from each house presented their carefully prepared speeches to an engaged audience. The standard was very high, with all candidates using persuasive techniques to their advantage. Some staff had glistening eyes remembering many of them as p1s, listening to pupils who have joined us over the years, and seeing them all share their values, and demonstrate why they should be chosen as a House Captain. What an experience. Well done to all p7 and thanks to Mrs Thirgood and Miss Dickson for their teaching and encouragement. They have interviews with the HT next!

Each class will have an opportunity to use the voting booth in p7 to vote for the candidate they would like to lead their house. Once the votes have been counted, and their interviews completed, letters read we will announce the preferred candidates. Exciting!

Assembly

I shared a very short video assembly this morning. You can watch this here.

<https://youtu.be/o1ewgjmlf3c>

How many languages did you count the children sharing? I wonder if you can guess how many languages, we speak at Roseburn? That was the task of the Pupil Council. Well done, to everyone. Also included is the Gold Rights Respecting Banner being hung up by the Rights Respecters- I do hope it is still there after this wind and rain.

Class Leadership Teams

If you would like to be a parent rep on the following Pupil Leadership Teams, please let us know. We meet at 11.15 on a Friday- and the first Friday in the month will be just before the HT cake and Coffee.

Next Term

28 Oct 22	Equalities	11.15am
04 Nov 22	Pupil Council	11.15am
11 Nov 22	Rights Respecters	11.15am
18 Nov 22	ECO Warriors	11.15am
25 Nov 22	Equalities	11.15am
02 Dec 21	Pupil Council	11.15am
09 Dec 22	Rights Respecters	11.15am
16 Dec 22	ECO Warriors	11.15am



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Playground

The Playground Group met today to review the draft concept for the playground. All are welcome to join this small band of playground improvement enthusiasts. Please whatsapp the class rep if you are interested in offering some help. You can view the draft concept here

<https://roseburnprimary.files.wordpress.com/2022/09/ed13817e28090wae28090rpe28090le280900001-landscape-concept-draft.pdf>

and make comments here by Friday 7 October. Thank you.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=af6sSGo3tUKfacnke7-5xK1Nilg9cwpBvn4nkJLwN1tUNkNZNFdXVU9EQzVYQVdNRk9OTONWS05MMS4u>

Loose Parts Play

<https://youtu.be/QP3idysTSzs>

Ordering Loose Parts Play equipment is the first action we can take towards playground improvements- which will not impact the concept but will stimulate imaginative and creative play. The Pupil Council met today to discuss this. The video above is a good exemplification of what Loose Parts play is about.

Volunteers

Thank you so much to the parent volunteers; Derek, Denise, Steve, Hamish who lifted and transported unwanted school furniture from the container to Victoria Primary School, and to Susie who coordinated this. Very much appreciated. Thanks also to Alexa who has sorted the lost property, redistributed some new unwanted clothing and reorganised some pre-loved uniform this week. The PTA (thank you) have a volunteer list for this if you have some time to support.

Coffee and Cake with the HT

Please come and join me for the first HT coffee and cake on Friday 7 October in the school hall from 11.45 to 12.15 on the first Friday of each month. This will be an opportunity to meet other parents, and chat informally.

Stars of the Week

This week we focussed on being a Successful Learner.

P1 - Thomas B for challenging himself and developing resilience in all aspects of his learning

P2C- Toby for his brilliant use of adjectives in his descriptive writing this week

P2H - Ada for always working hard and trying her best with all her learning

P3- Taif for a real improvement in his listening skills and sitting quietly on the carpet in class.

P4- Annabeth for writing a fantastic information board that included all the key features and was very well presented

P5 Alistair for using brilliant adjectives, verbs and adverbs in his newspaper report.

P5/6 Dulcie for a fantastic use of adjectives and adverbs within her newspaper article about an elephant escaping from the zoo.

p6 - Nina for planning and writing a superb letter with confident use of a range of persuasive techniques

P7 - Callie for working hard to produce a persuasive job application and using examples to evidence her experience. Well done!



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Hot Chocolate Friday

Hot chocolate Fridays were awarded to p3 Oran Scott for great use of critical thinking skills in our topic work this week. Well done! Congratulations to P7 Wasim for his effort to write and say his House Captain speech in English, and his determination to put himself forward as the leader for his house.

House Points

This week we have a new House leader- Belmont with -637, followed by Ravelston with -618, Glendevon -593, and Murrayfield- 548. Well done.

Achievements

Congratulations to P5 Finn who was awarded a distinction in his Rock School Drums Debut exam, P5/6 Sean wanted to let the school know that he walked in The Kiltwalk on Sunday with his whole family. We did it in aid of Alzheimer Scotland as we sadly lost his grandma, earlier this year. We had such a great time and of course the medal at the finish line was a treat 🏆".

Exceptional Day of School Closure

Please see letter below from Lorna French Acting Head of Schools

https://roseburnprimary.files.wordpress.com/2022/09/exceptional-closure-day_lettertopc.pdf

Nursery News

This week the nursery team have been on many adventures, some of the children travelled across the sea on a cruise ship made from loose parts. The rest of the children have been creative, making cupcakes with the play dough and spooky Halloween masks. They all have enjoyed being expressive, with mark making through collage and painting brush strokes. They have demonstrated being responsible, when on the bikes by using the traffic lights to control the flow of traffic and keep everyone safe. Next week we are celebrating our first birthday in nursery! We can't wait to celebrate with our wonderful friend and enjoy her best day in nursery. Let's see what dreams we will believe and achieve next week!

"What do you think is the biggest waste of time?"

"Comparing yourself to others." Said the mole

Have a fabulous weekend everyone.

Natalie Borrowman

