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Headteacher's news:

This week, I have spent a number of lunchtimes out and about on our school grounds. The constraints of bubbles has meant that we have zoned the playing areas and develop a rostered system which changes on a daily basis. I think that it is working well - the children get to play in a different area each day and spread out across the playgrounds, MUGAs and fields. Of course the sunshine helps and there have been some very pleasant spells of weather this week which the children have enjoyed.

In class the children have been working hard as the teachers are finalising end of term assessment judgements. This information will be used to inform the plans we have for additional 'catch-up' interventions which will take place for some of our pupils in the summer term.

And finally... I have some sad news (for the school) to inform you all about. Next week, we will say goodbye to two very popular and well regarded members of staff. Mr Smith - who works in UKS2 - is retiring with plans to spend time with family across the globe. Mrs Firth - who works in the Office - is leaving the education sector to take up a role in a dental practice. Both of these members of staff will be missed and on behalf of the governors, I would like to thank them for the amazing job they have done over the years at Rufford Park.

Have a good weekend.

After what has felt like a long dark winter, the clocks finally move forward on Sunday for daylight saving time.



Modes of transport: Every year schools are required to submit data to the LA regarding the way in which their pupils get to and from school. Please complete this very short survey if you still need to. Thank you, in advance, for your time on this.



Click below to see what has been happening in your child's class this week.

Nursery Reception Y1 Pear Y1/2 Lime Y2 Cherry

Y3 Willow Y3/4 Cedar Y4 Beech

Y5 Oak Y5/6 Ash Y6 Maple

Wear something that makes you

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happy... On Thursday 1 April there will be a non-uniform day in school as a small fund raiser for the Friends of Rufford Park (PTA). The theme is above and the children are asked to bring a donation of £1 into class on the day. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Domestic abuse protocol letter: As part our duty to safeguard children, we are asked by Leeds Education and Early Years Safeguarding Team to send a letter to our parents / carers on an annual basis informing them of the systems we follow when we receive a Domestic Violence and Abuse notification. Click here to take you straight to the section on the website where this important letter is saved. We ask that all parents read it.

We will be sending **reading books** home over Easter and resuming our old systems for changing books so that children will have a school reading book over weekends.



Dates for the diary

1 April: Dress in something that makes you happy.

1 April: School closes for the Easter break (note - this is a Thursday).

19 April: School opens for summer term.

26 April: Virtual Parents' Evening to take place in this week (exact details to be confirmed).

Monday 28 June: Teacher Training Day. We have now set the final unallocated training day. School will be closed to all children on this date.