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Headteacher's news:

The outcome of our Ofsted report from the visit in July 2022 dominates my Headteacher news this week.

I am extremely proud of this school and to be able to quote so many positive comments from our report in Rufford Park Post and on the website brings me much joy. The quality of education that we deliver is 'good' but I think that this report "Pupils buzz with excitement to begin their school day."

"They (pupils) are friendly, polite and well-mannered. They behave exceptionally well in lessons and at social times."

"Parents and carers are overwhelmingly positive about the school. One parent, typical of many, commented, 'My child is flourishing here because the staff go the extra mile'."

"This is a highly inclusive school. Adults provide the right tailored support to ensure that pupils with SEND achieve as well as they can."

"The school's reading curriculum has a positive influence on the excellent quality of pupils' writing."

"As pupils move through school, they become confident and fluent readers."

"Children in the early years get off to a flying start."

"Pupils' personal development is a strength. Leaders work diligently to foster pupils' confidence, resilience and independence. Pupils know that they make a positive difference to the school."

"Leaders and governors prioritise safeguarding. The well-being of pupils is at the heart of the school. There is a strong culture of safeguarding."

suggests that we are better than good in many areas. The school needs to continue to develop its curriculum in some of the less well developed foundation subjects (but we knew this before Ofsted arrived). I am excited about this year and the years ahead as we continue to improve and aspire to being outstanding in all that we do.

I hope you all have a good weekend and that you get to spend some time with family and friends. See you on Tuesday 20 September.

School Attendance and Punctuality

Just a reminder that the school doors open at 08:50 every morning so that the school day can start promptly at 08:55. School attendance hovered around 94% during the last academic year whilst we continued to manage the impact of Covid. Unauthorised absences relating to holidays were also higher than normal and must significantly reduce in this academic year as we look to get back to normal school attendance expectations. Please do not book a holiday in term time.

School charging increases

The cost of school meals (Y3-6 paying children) has increased from $\pounds 2.30$ to $\pounds 2.35$ and Nursery fees have increased to $\pounds 15$ per paid session (3hrs).



Autumn Seed Trail Event

Aireborough Rotary Club



Click below to see what has been happening in your child's class this week:NurseryReceptionY1 PearY1/2 LimeY2 Cherry

| <u>Y3 Willow</u> | <u>Y3/4 Cedar</u> | <u>Y4 Beech</u> |
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| <u>Y5 Oak</u> | <u>Y5/6 Ash</u> | <u>Y6 Maple</u> |

In assemblies this week...

We were delighted to welcome back Mr Jennings for singing assembly on Monday. On Tuesday, I talked to the children about people who inspire us. On Wednesday Miss Tidey delivered an assembly about Queen Elizabeth II.

KS1 Climbing Frame in action



OFSTED Outcome: Rufford Park Primary School continues to be a good school

We have now received the final published report from our Ofsted inspection which took place in July. The report is published <u>here</u> on the website. The inspector made many positive statements about the school. Thank you

again to parents and carers for your support and your comments which are captured in the report.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 19 Sept: Bank Holiday - school will be closed as a mark of respect for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II State Funeral <u>Tues 20 Sept</u>: Y5 visit to Eden Camp <u>Wed 21 Sept</u>: Y6 visit to Eden Camp <u>Mon 26 Sept</u>: Y4 visit to Murton Park <u>Wed 28 Sept</u>: Y3 visit to Murton Park <u>Fri 7 Oct</u>: Flu Vaccinations in school -<u>click here</u> for more information <u>Tues 11 Oct</u>: Parents' Evening 15:40-19:00 in school <u>Wed 12 Oct</u>: Parents' Evening 15:40-18:00 in school <u>Fri 21 Oct</u>: School closes for half term