RECREATION ROAD INFANT SCHOOL

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Creative, Caring, Collaborative, Resilient, Reflective, Problem-Solver

March 2025 Newsletter

Ofsted!!

I would like to thank all children, parents and staff for the part they played in our Ofsted inspection. It was great to show off all of the wonderful things that we do. We will receive the report in approximately 30 days and then share with families but can say that we are pleased with the outcomes.

Diary Dates



March

WB 17th March – Parents Evening Week
Friday 21st March – Red Nose Day (Wear something that makes you happy)
Tuesday 25th March – PTA Bake sale at 3pm
Friday 4th April – Break up for Easter

To help you to plan ahead, you can access our full calendar on the home page of our website: https://www.recreationroad.com/

Pupils return to school on Wednesday 23rd April.

Safe School Run Pledge

In October, I introduced the Norfolk Safer School Run Pledge in my newsletter. This has six promises for us all to make. So far, we have promised not to park on school car parks including the sports centre, to park away from the yellow zig-zag lines keeping the gates free and not parking on the pavement.
This month our promise is to:

- Now the weather is improving, walk to school if possible, or park further from the school and walk the last bit of the journey.

We thank you in advance for your support with this.

Reminders and thanks

- A polite reminder to please leave the setting promptly after school pick up as the field will be regularly in use by after school clubs and Sunflower Club. Thank you.
- We would really like to offer a range of different stationery to make our writing areas even more exciting. If you have any unused pens, crayons, chalks, exciting paper at home, please donate to your class teams so we can put them to good use in school.
- Some great advice and resources from Family Action's Norfolk & Waveney Autism/ADHD Support Service - https://sway.cloud.microsoft/AC0yOIzNbVKxbi4G?ref=email

PTA

- The PTA have funded some very worthwhile requests already this term. These include outdoor rugs to use at playtimes, books for a diversity library, new equipment to teach computational thinking and new equipment for Rec Road Radio plus much more. Thank you all for your support with this fundraising, it makes a real difference. recroadpta@gmail.com

- The PTA have membership to a great website called Parentkind. This means that all parents of Recreation Road children can access lots of free webinars. There are some interesting webinars coming up. Find out more at https://www.parentkind.org.uk/your-pta-expert/parent-webinars

Safeguarding

How Safe is WhatsApp for Children - NSPCC



WhatsApp is one of the most popular instant messaging apps, used by over 2 billion people in 180 countries. It allows you to send and receive messages, as well as make voice and video calls. You can connect with people individually or join group chats where lots of people can contribute. All you need to set up a WhatsApp account is a phone number. However, children and young people can easily subvert the restrictions placed on its access. Although rated at 16+, all that is required is a phone number. All it takes is one child in a class to be on WhatsApp, and all the others will wish to join. This can lead to increased vulnerabilities for child users. The NSPCC has released its own analysis about the dangers of the app. If interested, please follow the link below:

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/2023-01-12-is-whatsapp-safe-for-my-child/

Year 1
Resilient
We will be learning about Nina Simone and thinking about learning from mistakes.



50 Things

Year 2
Collaborative
We will be looking at Divine Chocolate and how farmers worked together to create this company.

Reception
Problem Solver
We are learning to find out what works and what doesn't with Norman the Slug.



What's New?

Relentless Routines

We have introduced our first relentless routine. This is a routine that EVERYBODY is working towards this half term. The children chose this in Smart School Council. Their choice was ….. Safe hands and feet on the playground. We are all working to help each other with this by reminding and awarding shout out tickets for those children noticed doing this well, these can be awarded by staff or pupils. Families can help to by reminding of safe hands and feet at drop off and pick up.

