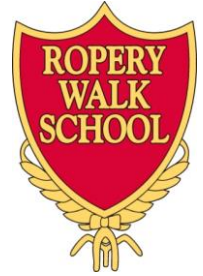


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Happy Friday Everyone!!

It has been a full week once again!! In assembly this week, children accessed the Live Assembly from Picture News on Black History Month. Doing this in classes meant that more children could interact with the subject matter and made valuable contributions to discussions.

Music

Brass lessons continued this week – it was lovely to hear the strains of Christmas music being played in preparation for our Christmas concert which has been set for **Tuesday 10th December at 10am** – this later time in to allow for the instruments to be warmed up and for the children to be registered and prepared by Mr Hind.

On this theme, please know that there won't be lessons for the first two weeks after half term as his role with the Military Band takes him around the world.

Online Safety

As our children now have regular access to mobile technology, both inside and outside of school, we need to make sure that we are keeping them safe, physically and emotionally so that their well-being is protected.

Alongside the work we do in the curriculum, there are several ways that you can support this. If you are considering getting your child a mobile phone, here is a helpful guide to how you might approach this: [Mobile phones](#) If they already have a phone or device, making sure that [parental controls](#) are in place on devices is another way in which you can help keep them safe.

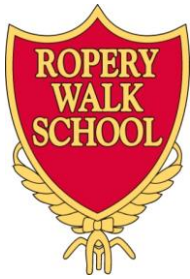
I have also included a link to advice around some of the sites our children are regularly using outside of school hours. Please follow the links to learn more:

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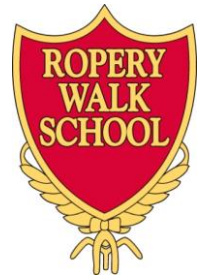
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HAPPY Halloween

I'd like to thank the parents of children in Year 3 who have been flexible with the change of day for their class' Family Service to being **THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER at 9.15am**. This change was necessary so that we could plan and hold a Halloween themed afternoon on Friday 25th October. The children can come to school dressed in appropriate Halloween costumes (No weapons of any kind or make-up anywhere other than the face) ready for an afternoon of fun.

There will be hotdogs, drinks and sweets for sale. Details about this will follow. We are also going to have a pumpkin carving /decorating competition – parents can bring their child's completed entries to school on the afternoon of Thursday 24th October and leave them in the sports hall ready for judging. The gates will be open at 3pm that day to allow parents to bring pumpkins in before home time. All entries will receive a token gift and winners will be announced on the Friday afternoon.

Due to feedback from our Parent Survey, we have listened to your views and have been busy organising clubs for the children which will begin the first week back after half term. Teachers will be explaining which club will be on offer this time and any interested children will receive a letter inviting Parents to sign up on their behalf. Clubs will incur a nominal fee of 50p per session (£3 total) to help with buying resources. This will be paid when you sign up as confirmation of their place at the club.

I hope you all have a restful weekend.

Mrs Black

