



4th September 2025

Welcome back to Rimrose Hope for the school year 2025-2026.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely summer and are looking forward to the new school year. We have had a fantastic start to the term—the children have returned full of enthusiasm, and it has been wonderful to see all our families again.

A very warm welcome also to all our new families joining us this week. We know that choosing a school for your child is one of the most important decisions you will make as a parent, and we are all committed to helping your child flourish and develop during their time with us.

Attendance Matters

We are very proud that our school continues to have one of the strongest attendance records in South Sefton. This is thanks to the fantastic support of our families, who value the importance of every school day and encourage their children to attend regularly.

The Local Authority has reminded schools that Fixed Penalty Notices must be issued for term-time holidays. We therefore encourage families to use the extended autumn half-term break for trips, when travel is often quieter and more affordable.

Please remember that even short, frequent absences can quickly add up and may prevent children from receiving attendance rewards. Every day in school makes a difference, and we want your child to make the very best progress they can.

This year, we will continue to reward and celebrate good attendance:

- **Termly prize draws** for all children achieving 96% or above.
- **A special reward day** for children who maintain 96% attendance across the whole year.

Your child's bus sheet is updated and sent home after every absence so you can keep track easily. Please also remember to send a written note or email

admin.rimrosehope@schools.sefton.gov.uk if your child is unwell or unable to attend. Without this, the absence must be recorded as unauthorised.

PE Kit

To help children feel comfortable and ready for learning, please ensure they come to school wearing the correct PE kit on their PE day or when attending a sports after-school club. The kit includes:

- White polo shirt
- Burgundy shorts
- Plain black, grey, or burgundy jogging bottoms (optional)
- Burgundy socks (available through ParentPay)
- Burgundy hoodie or school sweatshirt

Please note that **branded clothing should be avoided** so that children feel part of the same school community.

After-School Clubs (from week beginning 15th September)

We are delighted to be offering a wide range of after-school activities again this term. Breakfast Club and Fun for Kidz are already running—Breakfast Club remains excellent value at £1 per session and provides a great start to the day. Please ensure your child is registered before ParentPay can be activated. Forms are available from the school office.

After-school club places can be booked through the **ParentPay App only**. A one-off charge applies for the term, and numbers are limited. Sign-up opens **9th September**.

Clubs this term include:

- **Monday:** Homework Club (Y3/4), Multi-Sports (KS1), German (KS2), Worship Warriors (Y6)
- **Tuesday:** Cross Country (KS2), Sewing Club (KS2), Art Club (KS2), Homework Club (Y5/6), Hobby Horse (Y1)
- **Wednesday:** Good Grub Club (KS1)
- **Thursday:** Choir (KS2), Karaoke Stage 1 (KS1), Junior Football (KS2), Book Club (KS1)
- **Friday:** Multi-Skills (Reception), Girls' Football (KS2), Infant Football (KS1)

We are thrilled to offer such variety, and we hope every child finds something they enjoy.

Thank You

Finally, I would like to thank you for the continued support you give to our staff. Your encouragement makes a huge difference, and we are determined to keep working hard to help every child flourish and succeed this year and beyond.

Key Dates: Autumn Term 2025

- **Monday 1st September** – Children return to school
- **Friday 26th September** – Macmillan Coffee Morning and Feedback Friday
- **Monday 20th October** – Individual and family photograph day.
- **Tuesday 21st October** – Parents' Evening
- **Wednesday 22nd October** – Parents' Evening
- **Friday 24th October** – Halloween/Harvest Festival Fayre
- **Monday 27th October** – Half Term
(Ultimate Kids Camp running for 2 weeks)
- **Monday 10th November** – Children return to school
- **Monday 1st December** – Jolly Christmas Post Office opens
- **Friday 5th December** – Christmas Pantomime (1:00 pm, School Hall)
- **Wednesday 10th December** – Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day
- **Friday 12th December** – Feedback Friday
- **Monday 15th December** – AM Nursery & Mrs Warrington's Nativity (10:00)
PM Nursery & Mrs Ventre's Nativity (2:00 pm)
- **Tuesday 16th December** – Year 6 Nativity (2:00 pm)
- **Wednesday 17th December** – Hope Christmas Market
- **Friday 19th December** – Christmas Parties, school ends at 1:00 pm

Monday 5th January 2026 – Children return to school