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Newsletter 16 Summer Term 2010

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Dear Parents,

I was delighted that so many people came to our Summer Fair on Friday. It was a lovely afternoon and the children enjoyed the day. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all so much for making our Summer Fayre such a success and around £2,300.00 was raised for the school. This will help provide additional resources, equipment and opportunities for all the children with a particular focus on the development of our outside environment this year. Congratulations to all the parents, friends, governors and staff of Rushcombe for their immense hard work before, during and after the event and special thanks to the Friends Committee for coordinating the Summer Fayre this year. As always, it is impossible to name all those who contribute to the Summer Fayre as so many people are involved in running stalls, organising games, serving refreshments, donating items for sale and, not least, coming along and enjoying the afternoon. Please accept my thanks for all your support, it is much appreciated. Finally, a special thank you goes to the children for their display of gymnastics and dancing and to children who entertained us with their singing and guitar playing. Well done, everyone.

Thank you for your support at our recent whole school sports afternoon. The children did very well and enjoyed the different activities. Congratulations to the teams and the individual competitors.

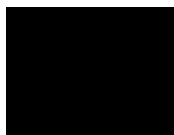
Thank you also goes to Mr Simon Carlton [a parent] who provided the sound system for both the sports day and the summer fayre.

This week, a representative of Dorset's Library Service will be coming to talk to the children about this summer's reading challenge. Many children took part in the reading challenge last year and we look forward to hearing about how well they do this year.

Year Group News

In the new academic year, the teaching staff will work in the following year groups as follows:

Foundation	Miss Gerra, Mr McCormick and Miss Newbury
Year 1	Mrs Connolly, Mrs Hill and Mrs Webb
Year 2	Mrs Joyner and Miss Gurney
Year 3	Mrs Ely, Mrs Holmes and Miss Groves
Year 4	Miss Brown, Miss Singleton and Mrs Benham



In addition, Mr White will be working in Year 4 and across the school both carrying out his deputy headteacher responsibilities and using his expert skills and knowledge across the year groups. I will continue to spend time with all the children on a regular basis. The children will have an opportunity to meet their new teachers on Friday.

Annual Reports and Parent Consultations

Last week the children brought home their annual reports and if you wish to discuss your child's report please make an appointment to see your child's teacher who has set aside time this week on Tuesday 13th July and Thursday 15th July between 3.20 pm and 6.10 pm.

Transfer Day

A reminder, that on Friday 16th July, Year 4 children will attend their new schools for the whole day. Please take your child directly to their middle school. Children from Foundation, Years 1, 2 and 3 will spend some of their time with their new teachers on the day.

Year 4 Leavers Concert and Disco

Next week, on Monday 19th July, Year 4 children will be having their Leavers Disco between 5.30 pm and 7.00 pm. The Year 4 Leavers Concert will be on Wednesday 21st July in the school hall at 10.30 am and 1.45 pm. If you wish to attend and have not returned your slip requesting seats for the concert there are still seats available for the morning concert. We look forward to seeing you on the day.


Violin and Guitar lessons

Next academic year, children in Year 3 and 4 will continue to have the opportunity to learn to play the violin and/or guitar. Staff from the Dorset Music Service visit the school on a weekly basis to lead small group teaching sessions. If you are interested in you child learning to play the guitar or violin please contact the school office for more details.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers and Tesco Vouchers for Schools and Clubs

Thank you for all the Sainsbury and Tesco vouchers that have been brought to school. The school has utilised the vouchers to develop the school's resources with a focus on additional ICT and cookery equipment. We look forward to receiving the new resources and equipment soon.

Yours sincerely



Mrs C Mahon
Headteacher