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Newsletter 18 Summer Term 2017



Dear Parents

I hope you all had a good half term holiday and enjoyed the break.

Our exciting new Learning Adventure, 'Adventures in Colour' begins this week. The Learning Adventure will provide the children with the opportunity to develop their Art and Design skills, with a particular focus upon painting, mark making and the use of colour. Children will learn about a range of artists, analysing and experimenting with different painting techniques and creating a range of collaborative and individual art works. The Learning Adventure will also provide a range of learning in other curriculum areas, including English, History [of art / significant people] and Geography.

As part of the Learning Adventure, there will also be an educational visit to the Russell Coates Museum in Bournemouth. When the children visit the museum, they will take part in a variety of fun activities led by the staff at the museum. They will have the opportunity to explore the galleries in a fun and interactive way, learning about the different artworks and artists they see. They will also take part in a workshop where they will develop their own creative and artistic skills. Each year group across the school will be visiting the museum on a different day during the half term, beginning with Year 4 this week. Details of the visit will be sent out separately for each year group. We would appreciate it if all permission slips and contributions are returned promptly.

Over the next few weeks, the children will continue to complete some assessments to contribute to the teacher's overall assessment of your child's achievements and development throughout the year. At the beginning of July, you will receive your child's annual report and there will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress, assessments and report at our next parent teacher consultations in July.

Staff News

At the end of this academic year, Mrs Warman will be retiring and Miss Travis will be leaving to gain further experience prior to returning to university. We are grateful to all of them for their hard work and commitment during their time at Rushcombe and wish them all the best for the future.

Class School Photographs

On Monday 12th June, a photographer will be coming to school to take class group photographs. Please make sure your child is in full school uniform and if you wish, you may send a comb/brush in with them.

Foundation Sports Afternoon

This year our Foundation Stage will be holding their sport afternoon on Wednesday 21st June from 1.15 pm which will combine skill based activities and a range of races. The children will be bringing home a sports afternoon programme soon and we look forward to seeing you on the afternoon.

KS1 [Year 1 and 2] Sports Afternoon

This year our Key Stage 1 will be holding their sport afternoon on Wednesday 28th June from 1.00 pm which will combine skill based activities and a range of races. The children will be bringing home a sports afternoon programme soon and we look forward to seeing you on the afternoon.

KS2 [Year 3 and 4] Sports Afternoon

This year our Key Stage 2 will be holding their sport afternoon on Wednesday 5th July from 1.00 pm which will combine skill based activities and a range of races. The children will be bringing home a sports afternoon programme soon and we look forward to seeing you on the afternoon.

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Summer Fair

The staff and Friends of Rushcombe are busy organising the Summer Fair which will be on Friday 30th June. This year, the Summer Fair will provide opportunities for the children and their families to participate in a range of different activities. The event will begin with the children sharing some aspects of the learning from our new Learning Adventure. Further information will follow soon.

In addition, the children will be bringing home raffle tickets soon. We would be grateful for any donations of filled jam jars and cakes which may be brought in on the morning of Friday 30th June to your child's classroom.

The Friends would be grateful to hear from any parents who are willing to help on the day. Help is particularly required to set up or tidy up afterwards, serve refreshments, look after different stalls and do face painting even if you can only help for a short time, such as half an hour, your help would be appreciated.

Do come to our Summer Fair on Friday 30th June. Everyone is welcome. The Summer Fair will commence at 2.30 pm with the opening event and the children will then return to their classrooms to be collected by their parents to enjoy the rest of the Summer Fair from 3.05 pm to 5.00 pm. All funds raised will be used to provide further resources, equipment and opportunities for all our children.

Details of activities and further events will follow during the term.

Yours sincerely



Mrs C Mahon
Headteacher