

4th July 2017

Newsletter 20 Summer Term 2017



Dear Parents

I was thrilled that so many people came to our Summer Fair on Friday and it remained dry. The opening dances, actors and accompanying narration were fabulous. It was such a lovely afternoon and the children enjoyed the many different activities. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all so much for making our Summer Fair such a success and approximately £3000 was raised for the school. This will help provide additional resources, equipment and opportunities for all the children with a particular focus on the extension of our technology resources and the further development of our outdoor environment. Congratulations to all the staff, parents and friends of Rushcombe including local organisations for their immense hard work before, during and after the event. As always, it is impossible to name all those who contribute to the Summer Fair as so many people are involved in running stalls, organising games and activities, serving refreshments, donating items and, not least, coming along and enjoying the afternoon. Please accept my thanks for all your support and a special thank you to those staff and parents who coordinated the event. It is much appreciated. Well done, everyone.

We apologise for having to postpone the Foundation Stage Sports afternoon and the Key Stage 1 Sports afternoon due to the weather conditions. The Foundation Stage Sports afternoon is now scheduled to take place on Monday 10th July from 1.15 pm and the Key Stage 1 Sports afternoon is now scheduled to take place on Thursday 13th July from 1.00 pm. We look forward to seeing you at the forthcoming events.

Over the last few weeks the children have enjoyed visiting the Russell-Cotes Art Gallery and Museum. Today our Foundation children have had their visit.

Annual Reports and Parent Consultations

Yesterday the children brought home their annual reports. A reminder that if you wish to discuss your child's report, please make an appointment to see your child's teacher, who has set aside time today Tuesday 4th July and on Thursday 6th July between 4.00 pm and 7.00 pm.

KS2 [Year 3 and 4] Sports Afternoon

A reminder our Key Stage 2 will be holding their Sports 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 today and we look forward to seeing you on the afternoon.

Reading Challenge

This week, a representative of the local library will lead an assembly about the forthcoming Summer Reading Challenge 'Animal Agents'. Please visit the library for more information and we hope the children enjoy participating in the scheme.

Transfer Day

On Friday 7th July, Year 4 children will attend their new Middle schools for the whole day. Please take your child directly to their new school. Children in Foundation and Years 1, 2 and 3 will spend some of their time with their new teachers on this day.

Year Group News

In the new academic year, the year group teachers will be as follows:

Foundation	Mr McCormick and Mr Smith
Year 1	Mrs Holmes, Mrs Sinclair and Mrs Webb
Year 2	Mrs Ely, Mrs Joyner and Mrs Russell
Year 3	Miss Maese and Miss Pitman
Year 4	Miss Hardy and Mr Preston

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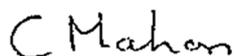
In addition, Mr White will continue to work across the school, carrying out his Deputy Headteacher responsibilities and using his expert skills and knowledge across the year groups. Mrs Joint, our Inclusion Leader, will continue to work with children across the school and Mrs Russell will also support different 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 7th July.

Year 4 Leavers Concert and Disco

This year, the Year 4 Leavers Concert will be on Tuesday 18th July at 1.45 pm in the school hall and Wednesday 19th July at 10.30 am. Please see separate letter for details. On Wednesday 19th July, Year 4 children will be having their Leavers Disco between 4.00 pm and 5.30 pm.

A reminder that the children will finish this academic year on Friday 21st July at 1.00 pm.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs C Mahon
Headteacher