

17<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Newsletter 4 Autumn Term 2017



Dear Parents

This week, the school's 'Adventures in the Imagination' Learning Adventure will be coming to an end. Each year group across the school will be marking the end of the Learning Adventure in a range of different ways:

- Foundation children will be completing their superhero training by completing a range of exciting problem solving activities
- Year 1 children will be holding a royal banquet to celebrate their adventures linked to Queen Eliza's castle.
- Year 2 children will be completing their Earth explorations by producing a short animation / film clip, which they are imagining is for a TV documentary about the Amazon
- Year 3 children will be visiting their imaginary world and will be showing Wendy all of the wonders they have discovered there
- Year 4 children will be staging an opening ceremony for Island X and will be taking part in a range of activities to celebrate the different features of the island

We look forward to sharing our new Learning Adventure with you after the half term break.

Thank you for your recent support of the Foundation Information Meeting.

After half term, our Year 4 children will be visiting Lockyers Middle School for an afternoon enabling them to spend time in a middle school. [Please see separate letter for details.]

### **Harvest Celebration**

Thank you for your recent support of the recent cake sales in aid of this year's chosen harvest charity, Child.org. The Year 4 cake sale will be take place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 3.00 pm. If you are able to donate cakes, biscuits or other fresh produce that can be sold we would be very grateful. We hope you can support this worthwhile cause.

### **School Photographs**

A reminder that tomorrow, Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October, a photographer will be coming to school to take individual and sibling photographs. Please make sure your child is in full school uniform, including a school sweatshirt and if you wish, you may send a comb/brush in with them.

### **Year 1 Phonics Information Meeting**

A reminder that there will be a meeting for parents with children in Year 1 to discuss the national phonic screening assessments. This will be an opportunity to find out more about the assessments which will take place in June 2017 and how you can best support your child. The meeting will take place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 6.00 pm. Entry will be via the main entrance. All parents with children in Year 1 are welcome to attend, however, we would appreciate it if children are not brought with you on this occasion. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

### **Parent Teacher Consultations**

Parent Teacher Consultations are being held next week on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November between 4.00 pm – 7.00 pm. Please sign up if you have not had a chance, the lists are available in your child's classroom. Thank you.

### **Year 2 Assessment Information Meeting**

A reminder that an information session has been arranged for all parents with children in Year 2 about the national assessments that will be completed by Year 2 children in the summer term. The meeting will take place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 6.00 pm. Entry will be via the main entrance. All parents with children in Year 2 are welcome to attend, however, we would appreciate it if children are not brought with you on this occasion. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

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**Friends of Rushcombe**

The Friends will be holding a meeting at the school on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 6.00 pm. All are welcome to attend the meeting.

**Flu Immunisation**

You may be aware NHS England is recommending nationally, that all children participate in the 2017-18 Flu Immunisation Programme. Members from the Dorset Healthcare NHS nursing team will be in school on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November to deliver the immunisation, which is given to the children in the form of a nasal spray. Information packs from NHS England will be sent home with your child after half term. The pack contains details about the programme and a permission letter. In order for your child to take part in the programme, it is essential that parents complete and return the permission letter to school as soon as possible. If you have any questions or you would like more information about the programme, please ring the School Nursing Team on 01425 891153.

**Dogs**

Please can I remind you that to ensure the health and safety of all our children, no dogs are allowed on the school grounds. Please also note that dogs should not be left tied up near to the school gates. We thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

Finally, a reminder that the school is closed for staff training on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October and half term break begins on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. I hope you all have a good half term break. I look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

Yours sincerely



Mrs C Mahon  
Headteacher