

26<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Newsletter 13 Spring Term 2019



Dear Parents

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

Thank you for your recent attendance at the different events and meetings including Year 2 class assemblies and the Year 1 phonics information meeting prior to the half term break.

This week, our 'Quarrel in the Kingdom' Learning Adventure continues, with the children exploring a range of themes linked to the ongoing disagreements between the Zooks and the Yooks. Next week, Tony Horitz and his team of actors will be working with the children, to resolve these themes, including an exploration of conflict resolution and respecting of differences.

To celebrate the end of the Learning Adventure, we are holding a 'We're all Special Day' on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March. On this day we are inviting children to come into school dressed in a way that represents their individuality and specialness – this could be their favourite home clothes or they could dress up as something that represents them. For example, if they like dancing, they could come to school dressed as a dancer, or perhaps they are fascinated by space and would like to dress as an astronaut. The important thing is that they think about something that truly represents their unique interests and personality. They might want to be somebody famous from history, a favourite book character, an artist or a sportsperson. On this day, we will celebrate each child's unique specialness and explore the importance of recognising and respecting the uniqueness and specialness of others. If you have any questions, please talk with your child's class teacher.

This week, our Foundation children, together with their parents, will be visiting our woodlands in the evening as part of the Learning Adventure.

Some of our Year 4 Rushcombe Rovers football team will be playing at home against Springdale First School on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March. We wish them well for the match.

### **Parent Teacher Consultations**

A reminder that Parent Teacher Consultations will be held after the half term break on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March between 4.00 pm – 7.00 pm. Appointment lists are available in your child's classroom.

### **Year 3 Class Assemblies**

All parents with children in Year 3 are invited to attend their child's class assembly: Maple's class assembly will be on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March and Beech class assembly will be on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March. Both assemblies will take place in the school hall at 2.45 pm and entry will be through the office/reception area.

All parents with children in Year 1 are invited to attend their child's class assembly: Pine's class assembly will be on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March and Elm class assembly will be on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March. Both assemblies will take place in the school hall at 2.45 pm and entry will be through the office/reception area.

A reminder that parents are able to take photos/videos of their child during school events but it is recommended that images that include other children should not be uploaded onto social media websites unless permission is sought from their parents. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

### **KS2 Handwriting and Grammar Information Meeting**

A reminder, that there is an information meeting about handwriting and grammar for parents with children in Years 3 and 4 on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 6.00 pm. Please see separate letter for details.

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## **Year 2 Handwriting and Grammar Information Meeting**

A reminder, that there is an information meeting about handwriting and grammar for parents with children in Year 2 on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 6.00 pm. Please see separate letter for details.

## **SafeWise Safety Centre**

All children in Year 2 will have the opportunity to visit the SafeWise Safety Centre on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March. Further information will follow shortly.

## **Friends of Rushcombe – Daffodil Sale**

Our Friends will once again be selling beautiful bunches of daffodils on the afternoon of Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March in time for Mother's Day on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March. Your support for the event will be much appreciated. Funds raised will be given to the school to provide additional resources, equipment and opportunities for all the children.

## **School Uniform**

A reminder that children wear the following school uniform items:

- Grey trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafore dress as appropriate  
[trousers should be grey school type/tailored trousers and not fashion or casual trousers]
- White shirt, blouse or polo shirt [white & red polo shirts with the school logo are available]
- Red school sweatshirt with logo [no cardigans please]
- Red and white striped or checked summer dress
- Black, grey, white or red socks or tights as appropriate
- Black flat sensible school shoes [no trainers, pumps or slip on shoes to be worn please]

For PE all children are required to wear the following kit:

- Rushcombe white PE t-shirt with logo
- Rushcombe Red PE shorts
- Plain black trainers or plimsolls can be worn for outdoor PE

All children should have their PE kit in school every day to participate fully in the PE curriculum. Please could you ensure your child has plain black plimsolls/trainers in school to use for outdoors PE. The school also has a supply of PE bags in school which are available from the office for £5.00. We would appreciate that the children do not use large back packs as they can be difficult to store in the cloakrooms and on the cloak pegs.

Thank you for supporting the school's uniform guidelines.

## **Nuts**

Please can we remind all parents that we would appreciate it if food items containing nuts are not brought into school as we have several children with severe nut allergies. Thank you.

We look forward to seeing you at the following events and activities.

Finally, a reminder that the children will finish this term on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 1.00 pm.

Yours sincerely



Mrs C Mahon  
Headteacher