

5th June 2019

Newsletter 20 Summer Term 2019



Dear Parents

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

Our next Learning Adventure 'The Great Explorers' will focus on upon the theme exploring, providing a range of opportunities for geographical, scientific and historical learning. The school has organised for each class to visit Brownsea Island over the forthcoming half-term. This will provide an opportunity for the children to explore, whilst also learning about the habitats, wildlife and geographical features of the island itself. Please see separate class letters for further details. We would appreciate it if permission slips and contributions are returned promptly to the school.

Over the next couple of 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

The Governing Body has recently made a new teaching appointments for the new academic year and preparations for September are well underway. Miss Amy Frost will join our dedicated staff team at the beginning of the autumn term. She will be visiting the school again soon to continue to familiarise themselves with the children, staff and the school. We look forward to working with her in providing high quality education for all the children at Rushcombe and continuing to build on the success of the school. Further information about year group arrangements will follow in due course.

In addition, the Governing Body has also recently appointed a new member of staff to our office team, Mrs Claire Daly, who will commence her new role at Rushcombe First School at the beginning of the new academic year.

At the end of this academic year, Miss Lazenbury will be leaving to commence teaching training in the autumn. We wish her all the best for the future.

Foundation Sports Afternoon

This year our Foundation Stage will be holding their sport afternoon on Wednesday 12th 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 19th 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 26th 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.

Class School Photographs

On Monday 24th 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.

Safety in the School Grounds and the Surrounding Environment

Please can I remind you that all children including small pre-school children and older children should be carefully supervised whilst on the school site and the adjacent areas at the beginning and end of the school day. At the end of day all parents/carers should collect their children from their classrooms and children should stay with an adult. We would appreciate it if you could ensure that children do not ride their scooters or bicycles in the playground or play on the adventure playground, field or adjacent bank areas as these areas are not supervised. Please ensure that additional care is taken whilst riding bikes and scooters in the pathway adjacent to the school gates. Thank you for your co-operation in keeping our school environment a safe place to be during these busy times of the day.

Summer Fair

The staff and Friends of Rushcombe are busy organising the Summer Fair which will be on Friday 12th July. 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.

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.

In addition, the children will be bringing home raffle tickets soon. We would be grateful of any donations of filled jam jars and cakes which may be brought in on Friday 12th July morning to your child's classroom.

All funds raised will be used to provide further resources, equipment and opportunities for all our children.

We look forward to seeing you at the forthcoming events.

Yours sincerely



Mrs C Mahon
Headteacher