NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th February 2019

Dear Parents/ carers,

Mental Health Week and Funding from the Tetbury Woolsack Race 2019
We are proud to have supported Children's Mental Health Week this week. The children participated in many activities to support them in promoting good mental health such as yoga, mindfulness and circle time discussions.

Child mental health is a national focus because it is recognised that many children have to deal with difficulties in their home and family lives. Mental health problems affect about 1 in 10 children and young people across the UK. They include depression, anxiety and conduct disorder, and are often a direct response to what is happening in their lives.

In school, we are delighted to have developed both a nurture and sensory room in the old school office space. This benefits all children who are entitled to make use of the spaces if they wish. Nurture groups are a short-term, focused intervention for children with particular social, emotional and behavioural difficulties which are creating a barrier to learning within a mainstream class.

The sensory room provides a unique and stimulating learning environment that allows pupils to thrive including those of our pupils who have specific learning needs. The final refurbishment of both rooms is taking place and once complete, we will have a grand opening. The Local Authority has already recognised our resource and would like us to showcase our provision with other local schools. The cost of refurbishment will be funded through several grants that we have bid for. We have already heard from the Tetbury Woolsack Committee who we contacted through the Friends. They have confirmed that Rodmarton School is one of the charity partners for the 2019 Woolsack and we will sit alongside Sir William Romney School as an equal charity when the funds raised are distributed.

Miss Withey is our Mental Health Champion and we are grateful to her for her unwavering commitment to provide our pupils with nurture and mental health support as well as her hard work in clearing and refurbishing the nurture room. Both Miss Withey and Miss Feldon have created our sensory room- thankyou to both for their determination and hard work.

Year 5 Girls' Netball Tournament

On Tuesday evening our Year 5 girls; Annabelle, Lily, Mary, Charlotte, Ella, Rohaise and Evelyn, took part in a Netball tournament at Sir William Romney School, competing against other local primarys. We had a hesitant and cautious start, facing a very well drilled (all Year 6) St Marys team who managed to score from every slight chance they had. We stopped counting their goals and instead focused on improving our match play. This boosted confidence so when we faced Avening in our second match we were the stronger side, with more opportunities to score and more ball possession, however Avening managed to score one and that was enough for them to win the match. Our final match was against Leighterton, another evenly matched game but Leighterton managed to slip a few more goals through the net than us so victory was denied us again!

We have so many things to take from this tournament; fantastic teamwork, resilience, our need to practise shooting! and why you shouldn't use your nose to stop a ball (Mary), its hard not to look back and feel it was all a success. Well done girls - we are all very proud of you.

Orienteering
The staff were pleased to welcome Josh Jenner at their staff meeting this week, who ran a development course around the idea of Orienteering. Josh has represented GB in orienteering and travelled all over the world with the sport. He is passionate about using the outdoors to support education and we found his input refreshing, interesting and above all could see how his ideas could easily be incorporated into our curriculum at Rodmarton. Over the coming weeks Mrs Thorogood will be setting up an orienteering course within the school grounds for the children to access and staff will be using Josh's ideas within a number of lessons including Geography, Maths and Art.

Headlice
These little creatures continue to visit us. Please check your child's hair and treat as necessary.

Lifting Our Learning

Concentration Award

Acorn: Libby for great concentration in phonics and her artwork.

Sapling: Ruby for trying so hard in all areas of the curriculum and demonstrating fantastic concentration in maths particularly.

Oak: Felix for concentrating hard on his handwriting and presentation

HOUSE POINTS

House	Points	Comment
Chepstow	39	*3rd*
Sudeley	50	*2nd*
Berkeley	57	*1st*

TODAY - Sapling class Cupcake Friday (WHATEVER THE WEATHER!)
A quick reminder to bring your pennies to pick up for today's Sapling class Cupcake Friday which will be taking place at 3.15pm today come rain, wind or shine!!

Thank you to all Sapling class parents who have baked donations for the sale and also those parents who have offered to help sell cakes. Cakes will cost £1 each with smaller cakes selling at 2 for £1.

Thank you!

Thank you so much to everyone who supported our recent second hand sale and Rag Bag collection. The two events raised £300 for the Friends which is great! This effectively covers the cost of the coach for the entire school to go to Aladdin in Cheltenham before Christmas so thank you to everyone who supported this initiative.

Valentine's Disco CANCELLED

Very sadly this event will not go ahead next week as we just did not have enough parent volunteers to help organise it. Huge thanks to everyone who offered their help but we need many more parents to help us to make events like this happen. As The Friends committee, we will always do all we can to organise fun events like this for our children but we just can't do it without help from parents so please do support us.

Race Night tickets

Time us running out to get your tickets for our popular Race Night which takes place on Saturday 9th March at Rodmarton Village Hall. Starting at 7pm, tickets cost just £10 per person. Tables are of 8 so why not get your friends together and take a table?

The ticket price includes a fish and chip supper and there will also be an auction, a raffle, a pay bar and all the excitement of the races with bets costing just £1 each.

Just buy your tickets from Mrs Sharp in the School Office. Numbers are strictly limited and tickets are available to people from outside the school too so book early to avoid disappointment!

Please sponsor our Bath half team

With just over five weeks to go until the Bath half on Sunday 17th March, our seven strong team (with a combined age of 324!!) is training hard but what would really spur them on is some sponsorship from the other parents!!

Just visit https://mydonate.bt.com/events/rodmartonfriendsbathalf to sponsor the team for whatever you can afford. Remember, every penny raised by these mad runners goes to support your children while they are at Rodmarton School. Please support them!

Menu W/C 11/2/19

	A	B	C
Monday	Cheese & Sweetcorn Pizza	Veggie Hotdog	Jacket Potato with Beans
Tuesday	Chicken & Tomato Pasta Bake	Cheesy puff	Tomato soup with cheese baguette
Wednesday	Roast Gammon with roast potatoes	Vegetable loaf with roast potatoes	Jacket Potato with Tuna
Thursday	Meatballs with Pasta	Vegetable hotpot	Vegetable soup with ham baguette
Friday	Battered fish and chips	Bean burger with chips	Jacket potato with cheese

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School Events Calendar 2019

Spring Term 3

Date	Event	Time	Location
Wednesday 13th February	Gloucestershire Wildlife Quiz	2-2.45pm	Chedworth Primary School
Friday 8th February	Sapling class Cupcake Friday	3.15pm	At School
Thursday 14th February	Celebration Morning – all welcome Celebration Assembly Friends Valentines Disco End of Term 3	9.00 – 10.00am 10:00am 3.15pm	At School Village Hall School
Friday 15th February	Inset 4 – Non-pupil day		

Spring Term 4

Date	Event	Time	Location
Monday 25th February	Term 4 Begins	9.00am	At School
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day	All day	At School
Wednesday 20th March	Acorn trip to Cotswold Farm Park	During School Day	Cotswold Farm Park
Wednesday 27th March	Parents' Evening including SEND Pupil Meetings	3:30 – 6:00pm	At School
Thursday 28th March	Dental Survey (Invited reception)	School day	At School
Monday 1st April	Celebration Morning – all welcome Celebration Assembly Friends Easter Egg Hunt	9:00 – 10:00am 10:00am tbc	At School Village Hall
Wednesday 3rd April	Parents' Evening including SEND Pupil Meetings	3:30 – 6:00	At School
Friday 5th April	Easter Concert End of Term 4	3.30pm	St Peter's Church

Summer Term 5

Date	Event	Time	Location
Monday 22nd April	Term 5 Begins	9.00am	At School
Monday 6th May	Bank Holiday – No School		
Tuesday 7th May	Stemworks: RAF Junior Engineer Challenge Yr4 & 5	During School Day	At School
13th – 16th May	KS2 SATS Week (Year 6 only)	During School Day	At School
Tuesday 21st May	District Sports Knex Final	Yr3-6 Yr6 finalists	Tbc Renishaw
Friday 24th May	Celebration Morning – all welcome Celebration Assembly End of Term 5	9:00 – 10:00am 10:00am 3.15pm	At School Village Hall School
Bank Holiday Monday 27th May	Tetbury Woolsack Race –	am	Gumstool Hill, Tetbury

Summer Term 6

Date	Event	Time	Location
Monday 3rd June	Inset 5 – non pupil day		

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Tuesday 4th June	Term 6 Begins	9.00am	At School
5th June	School Photos	School day	At School
10th – 14th June	YR 1 Phonics Screener Week	School Day	At School
Tuesday 18th June	Sports Morning	am	At School
Tuesday 25th June	Reserve Sports Morning	am	At School
Friday 12th July	Pupil Reports issued		At School
Monday 22nd July	Celebration Morning – all welcome Celebration Assembly	9:00 – 10:00am 10:00am	At School Village Hall
Tuesday 23rd July	Summer Concert	3:30pm	St Peter's Church
Wednesday 24th July	End of Term 6	3.15pm	

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