NEWSLETTER

Friday 13th November 2020

Dear Parents/ carers,

Welcome to Noah who has joined our school this week. We hope that you and your family will quickly feel part of our Rodmarton community.

Autumn 2

Date	Event	Time	Location
16th – 20th November	Anti-Bullying Week	Throughout the week	All classes
18th November	School Photographer	Throughout the day	All classes
18th November	Parents' Evening Via Zoom or by phone call	tbc	All classes
23rd November	Friends' AGM via Zoom	8pm	Via Zoom
23rd – 27th November	Christmas Crafts Week	Throughout the week	All classes
25th November	Parents' Evening Via Zoom or by phone call	tbc	All classes
7th – 11th December	Friends' Daily Mile Reindeer Run	Throughout the week	All classes
15th December	Christmas Dress up/ Jumper Day Christmas Lunch Christmas Parties	Lunchtime pm	All classes
16th December	Friends' Christmas Movie Afternoon with Fancy dress	pm	All Classes
18th December	End of Term 2	Oak 12:50 Acorn 1:00 Sapling 1:10	All Classes

Events this Week

The children have participated in several activities this week:

On Wednesday we observed Armistice Day. Each class spent time being reminded of why we stop and pay tribute to the men and women of the Second World War generation, and to those of today's, who have served and sacrificed to defend our nation. The children showed great maturity in stopping and falling silently for this.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them.

Librarian Visit
On Tuesday, we welcomed Lisa Saunders from Cirencester library. She shared stories with each class in her wonderful story telling style and has also advised us on safely re-opening our library which we will be doing so- watch this space. If you have any of our library still at home, please bring them in to school as soon a s possible.

Gloucestershire Cricket Board
On Wednesday each of our classes were fortunate to be joined by a coach from the Gloucestershire Cricket Board who worked with the children to practise skills and play several games. This was an excellent opportunity for everyone to develop their cricket skills and have lots of fun!

Gloucestershire Schoolbeat
This morning, Year 6 were visited by our Schoolbeat Officer PC Davis who delivered a workshop to them about how to keep themselves safe online. The children enjoyed this workshop, especially seeing the police officer in uniform and full PPE!

All of these visits were, of course, carried out in a COVID secure way!

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Children in Need Day
The children looked fantastic today, dressed in their bright colours for Pudsey and we managed to raise £89.40 for this fantastic charity.

Harry, Darcie and their mum, Kirstie are very busy this month with their fundraising efforts for Children in Need. Their challenge is to walk 400 miles between them by the end of November. This is an epic challenge and they have already clocked up well over 100 miles! We wish you all the best of luck and if any parents would like to sponsor them, please visit:
https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/kirstie-preece76?utm_source=sms

Communication
Over the past few weeks, the teaching staff have been contacted via their school email address by parents with questions and queries. Please note that all of our teachers work part time and therefore, do not check their emails on non-working days.
If you have any questions about your child's work or learning, Google Classroom is a good way of asking them because all staff view their class pages across the week. Alternatively, please email admin@rodmarton.gloucs.sch.uk and Mrs Sharp can direct your query to the right person.

Please note that WhatsApp is not one of our communication tools. This can sometimes be used to share incorrect information or discuss topics that should be directed to the school.

Official communications from school are shared thorough our weekly newsletter, on our website and via Parent mail.

Google Classroom
By now, we are expecting that all parents are accessing Google Classroom. If you have any issues using Google Classroom, please inform the school office immediately so that we can resolve this. If you have any difficulties acquiring IT equipment to use for this purpose, please let me know. Please note that work titled 'Home Learning' is for pupils who are at home due to COVID19. Weekly homework is labelled as 'Homework'.

Open Day Film
I have been pleased to receive so many compliments about our open day video. Thank you to all those parents who have contacted me with your positive comments. We have also had several enquiries from prospective parents who were impressed to see all that our school has to offer. Please share the link via the Friends Facebook page- this hasn't been shared very much so far – or through this link: **https://youtu.be/6H9YcgYeT4w**

Menu for next week 16/11/20

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Monday	Cheese and tomato pizza	Jacket Potato with Tuna
Tuesday	Sausage roll with wedges	Veggie Burger with wedges
Wednesday	Roast Chicken, roast potatoes and gravy	Moroccan vegetable balls
Thursday	Cheese and tomato pinwheels	Jacket potato with veg bolognaise
Friday	Fish fingers with chips	Vegetarian sausage roll with chips

Join our Christmas wreath making workshop (from the comfort of your own home!!)

Please do let us know as soon as possible (using the form on Parent Mail) if you would like to join the Christmas wreath making workshop taking place at 7.45pm on Friday 27th November via Zoom.

It will be run by Sapling parent Candida Boddington and will cost about £15 per person which includes the basic wreath kit. Participants will need to provide their own foliage and any decorations (ribbons, gold spray, dried fruit etc.) to create their bespoke wreath.

All you need to do is get yourself a drink (and a festive mince pie?!) and log on from the comfort of your own kitchen!!

Autumn Colours and Fireworks - thank you!

Thank you to everyone who supported The Friends' Autumn Colours and Fireworks non uniform day earlier this month.

It raised £49 for The Friends which is fantastic. Every little really does count, especially at the moment when we are unable to hold so many of our usual fundraising and social events.

If you have not yet donated, and would like to, please just transfer your donation directly to The Friends' bank account.

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Thank you for your ongoing support of The Friends.

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