NEWSLETTER

Friday 26th March 2021

Dear Parents/ carers,

The weeks seem to be passing so quickly and I cannot believe that we are already near the end of another term!

The children are enjoying being back with their friends and are settling well into the routines of school life.

Although we remain in a National Lockdown, Monday 29th March brings a further lifting of restrictions, when the 'rule of six' or two households, can mix outside, but not indoors. Hopefully, following this, we will see further restrictions removed. Please continue to follow all of our covid measures, including arriving and leaving the school site promptly.

The last day of this term is **Wednesday 31st March**. In a change to previous information sent out, the children will now attend for the whole day, instead of finishing at lunchtime. Thursday 1st April is an Inset/ non-pupil day.

Term 5 begins on **Monday 19th April** and we will continue with our staggered start times for each class. Hopefully, it won't be too long after that when we can return to the same timings for all classes:

Oak Class (Year 4, 5 and 6) will attend school each day from 8:45am – 3:10pm.
Acorn Class (Reception and Year 1) will attend school each day from 8:55am – 3:20pm.
Sapling Class (Year 2 and 3) will attend school each day from 9:05am – 3:30pm.

Forest and PE Next Term
Acorn Class- PE will take place on Monday and Forest School on Tuesday.

Sapling Class – PE will take place on Tuesday and Forest School on Friday.

Oak Class- PE on will take place on Monday. On Wednesday, the children will hopefully swim and need to wear school uniform to school. Oak Class will not go to Forest School during term 5.

On PE days, children should wear full PE kit to school, not branded or logoed items.
On Forest School days, Children should come to school in suitable clothing that covers their arms and legs and sensible, sturdy shoes. On wet days, they will need to bring rain wear.

Communicating with The School
As I have mentioned previously, the class WhatsApp groups that parents have set up are not one of the school's official communication tools. We use Parentmail for this. Not only do we send out the weekly newsletter in this way, other key communications are also shared throughout the week and it is important that everyone receives this information.

If you are experiencing any difficulties in receiving communications from us via Parentmail please contact the school office so that we are aware and can rectify the issue.

Homework
Homework is uploaded on to Google Classroom. Please ensure your child logs in to complete this.

Congratulations Max!
Well done to Max who has passed his grading in martial arts and is now the proud owner of a yellow belt! It's been tough training via zoom, learning the new moves so we are pleased to share his success!

New Arrivals!
Acorn class were delighted to welcome 'Living Eggs' to their class this week. Living Eggs provide an ethical, 10-day hatching programme in the classroom.

George and Wilf said "Nine chicks have now hatched and we have 1 to go. It's fun to look at them and watch them go to sleep even when the classroom is loud! Some of them are older than the others so we have had to move them into the brooder.

Thank you to the Friends of Rodmarton School for funded this 'eggs'ellent learning opportunity!

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Perseverance Award

Acorn: Harrison- For continuing to try hard in phonics.

Sapling: Bella- For incredible perseverance when overcoming challenges in coding this week.

Oak: William- For persisting with his writing over lockdown and coming back with a positive writing attitude.

HOUSE POINTS

House	Points	Comment
Chepstow	88	2nd
Sudeley	178	1st
Berkeley	84	3rd

Dinner Menu 29/3/21

	A	B	C
Monday	Cheese and tomato pizza with wedges	Veggie hotdog	Jacket potato with filling Beans or Cheese
Tuesday	Meatballs – rice/mash Tomato sauce/gravy	5 bean chilli with rice	Jacket potato with filling Cheese
Wednesday	Roast Gammon, roast potatoes and gravy	Veggie balls with roast potatoes and gravy	Jacket potato with filling Tuna or Cheese

Dinner Menu 19/4/21

	A	B	C
Monday	Macaroni Cheese	Veggie Bolognaise	Jacket potato with filling
Tuesday	Sausage and mash and gravy	Lentil and sweet potato curry with rice	Jacket potato with filling
Wednesday	Roast chicken, stuffing, roast potatoes	Vegetable wellington with roast potatoes and gravy	Jacket potato with filling
Thursday	Chicken curry with rice	Vegetable sausage and mash	Jacket potato with filling
Friday	Salmon fish finger/Fish fingers and chips	Cheese and tomato quiche with chips	Jacket potato with filling

Second Hand Uniform
The Friends have a selection of second hand uniform available. A list of these items is attached to this newsletter. To make a purchase, please contact Bryher Grimes on 07785 542185 or email bryhergb@hotmail.com

The Friends' Smarties Challenge

Over the Easter holidays, The Friends will be challenging the children to complete the Smarties Challenge.

Each child will be given a tube of Smarties, which they can eat, and then the children will be challenged to fill the empty tube with 20p coins which they "earn", from parents and carers, by helping around the house over the holidays.

A full tube of 20p coins comes to £12 which will help support the activities of The Friends.

We plan to give the Smarties to the children on Wednesday 31st March (the last day of term) and will be collecting the filled tubes in during the week beginning Monday 19th April when they return to school.

If you haven't already, please complete the form, sent on ParentMail yesterday, to say whether or not you agree to your child being given the Smarties. Full Covid-safe procedures will be followed to make sure the Smarties tubes are safe to be given to the children.

We hope that you will support the work of The Friends by encouraging your children to help out at home over the holidays to fill their tube with as many 20p coins as they can.

"Spring has sprung" non uniform day! Wednesday 31st March

Pupils are invited to come into school on the last day of term (Wednesday 31st March) in their own clothes following the theme of "Spring has sprung".

We ask that each child make a donation to The Friends, which will be collected on the day by their class teacher, and we look forward to seeing all their bright and cheerful spring outfits.

The Friends of Rodmarton Primary School

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Wishing you a good weekend.

Mrs C Musty

Headteacher