



NEWSLETTER

Friday 14th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,



We are delighted to welcome back Rob Mant from Forest Green Rovers. Rob will be working in school on Friday afternoons. He will support the children to make playtime football a more enjoyable experience for everyone. He will then work with the Eco Committee to help them develop a social action project. Rob will be in school for this and next term.

Ben Fudge also returns this term to lead Active RE with Sapling and Oak class. You may remember Ben from his work with Psalms, who are now known as Sportily.

Sportily

January Events

Who?	Date	Event	Time	Location
All	20 th	Census Day	School Day	At School
Parents	25 th	Emotion Coaching Workshop	9:00 – 10:00	Village Hall
Y3,4,5,6	31 st	Years 3-6 Cross Country	3:45 – 5:00	Sir William Romney School

Unfortunately, covid is still affecting some of the planned events that we had scheduled for this term. We hope that some of these will now take place later in the year.

Science Ambassadors Podcast

Our brilliant Science ambassadors, with the support of our Science lead, Mrs Jones, are creating a weekly science podcast. The first one can be accessed here:

<https://anchor.fm/mrsjones20/episodes/The-Science-Ambassadors-e1ctalh>

Census Day Menu

Next Thursday is Census day. The more children who order a hot meal means we receive more money into our school budget. To encourage a high uptake, there is a special census day menu on offer. Please encourage your child to book a school dinner.

	A	B	C
Monday	Vegetable hotdog	Vegetable meatballs in tomato sauce	Jacket Potato with filling
Tuesday	Beef burger with 1/2 baked potato	Shepherdess Pie	Tomato soup with filled baguette
Wednesday	Roast gammon with Roast potatoes and gravy	Mixed vegetable loaf with roast potatoes and gravy	Jacket Potato with filling
Thursday CENSUS DAY	Sausages and Chips with veg and a chocolate cookie	Veggie Sausages and Chips with veg and a chocolate cookie	<u>No Option C Today</u>
Friday	Fish fingers with chips and tomato sauce	BBQ Quorn with chips	Jacket Potato with filling

Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#).

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10-day period of self-isolation.

Parents' Emotion Coaching Workshop

Recently the staff at school have undertaken Emotion Coaching training.

Emotion Coaching is an approach that adults can use to help children to understand the different emotions they experience, why those emotions occur and how to handle them. Emotion Coaching is a strategy to apply to moments of heightened emotion and resulting behaviour to guide children through an emotion and teach them about more effective responses. Research into Emotion Coaching has found it can support children to have positive wellbeing, improve and take ownership of their behaviour, as well as, promote positive relationships between adults and children.

We have found this a valuable way of supporting the emotional needs of children, both as professionals and as parents ourselves!

I am pleased to be able to offer this training to you all. It will be led by our school Educational Psychologist, Cat McFadden on 25th January between 9:00 and 10:00. We hope to meet in person, at the village hall.

Please do come along to this worthwhile session.

Parent Support Advisor (PSA)

A reminder that Mrs Jessop is our Parent Support Advisor. Parents can contact Mrs Jessop via email psa@rodmarton.gloucs.sch.uk to ask for support with the following:

- School attendance
- Behaviour
- Homework
- Computer safety
- Transition to Primary/ Secondary School
- Signposting to other agencies that may be able to offer you and your family support
- Family support: divorce, bereavement, moving home
- Encourage good relations and effective dialogue between parents and teachers about children's progress

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HOUSE POINTS

House	Points	Comment
 Chepstow	210	2nd
 Sudeley	199	3rd
 Berkeley	291	1st

Lifting Our Learning



Persevere

Here's a secret – It's OK to make mistakes!

Really successful learners learn from their mistakes - they **PERSEVERE**.

- This means they keep trying **but also** they keep thinking about what they can do differently.
- When we persevere we try to learn from our mistakes so we don't make the same mistake lots and lots of times.
- Learning from our mistakes means thinking about what we need to do differently next time.

To persevere and Lift your Learning

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| Do | Don't |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep trying and know mistakes are OK • Think about things you know already that might help • Try to learn from mistakes • Take responsibility for your own learning | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Think you will never be able to do something • Think you are stupid • Quit easily • Think your parents, friends or teachers can learn for you |

Keep Improving

Successful learners concentrate on **Quality** not speed!

Never stop improving – even when you are good at something you can always be a little bit better

- Think of the first telephone, computer or games console you ever saw.
- How have they changed? Are they better now than they used to be?

This is because the designers and engineers keep **improving their ideas and their work**.

Hurrying does not mean improving. Think of your favourite book. Do you think the author wrote it then improved it? Or did they just write it and send it straight to the publisher?

Write about one of your hobbies or interests. Now improve your work so that it is even more interesting. You could improve the handwriting, spelling, choice of adjectives, details that you tell the reader or the punctuation. Now ask an adult or friend for comments, can you improve it even more? Compare your first draft with the last. Which is better and why? What other lifting learning skills did you use in this task?



The Friends would like to wish all the parents, staff and children a Happy New Year.

Recognition:

Christmas crafts week -

Despite being unable to sell from the craft fair in 2021, we were able to sell after school. Huge thanks to Rachel Brennan, she offers a vast amount of time volunteering for the friends which is much appreciated.

Wreath making -

Candida Boddington for your time and expertise running our wreath making session and adapting to an online event at the last minute!

Christmas tree -

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Thank you to Tracey Wysocka, Mark Grimes, Sarah Pope, Roger Peill and Patricia Collins for managing to get the tree into the hall and in place.

Thank you to Tracey Wysocka for taking the time to put up the decorations.

Thank you to Mark Grimes for generously donating the stand for the tree which we will be able to use for years to come, we are very grateful.

Thank you to Emma Wood for donating a set of new lights to the Friends which we will be able to use year on year.

Thank you to Lisa Brattel for loaning us another a set of lights, we certainly needed them for the size of the tree.

Thank you to Rob Tingle and Craig Hookham for cutting the tree into manageable pieces in the Christmas holidays and getting it outside the hall ready for Kate Williams husband to be able remove from the premises. Great team work!

Christmas Lunch -

Thank you to Kitty for decorating the hall also to Josie Aburrow-Smith, Marie Shoesmith and Kat Lewis for setting up the tables for lunch.

Tombola:

Fantastic effort to all the children and parents we raised £190!

Friends Meeting:

We would like to invite all parents to a Friends meeting online to gain some extra ideas and help. We will plan for the rest of the academic year, ideas that have worked in other schools, parents/carers to let us know any talents/experience that we can draw upon. We plan to hold these once a term. First one will be a Wednesday at beginning of February 8.15pm-9pm on zoom, we will confirm date asap.

Other ways to support The Friends:

* A monthly direct debit - several parents support us this way. It can be as little as £5 it all adds up!

Account Name: The Friends of Rodmarton

Sort code 30-92-06

Account No. 01666558

* Day to day online shopping -

Amazon Smile

Just go to www.smileamazon.co.uk select Rodmarton School as the cause you whirl like to support, and then shop as normal. And remember to always to start your Amazon shopping at smile.amazon.co.uk. If you shop on the Amazon app, then once selected, The Friends will automatically receive a donation which will pop up once you have made your purchase.

[Give as you live](#)

Visit www.giveasyoulive.com and choose Rodmarton School as the cause you want to support, create your free account and start shopping at 100s of stores including Waitrose, Sainsbury's, Boots, John Lewis, Not on the High Street and Moonpig.

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[Easyfundraising](#)

Go to www.easyfundraising.co.uk and select Rodmarton School as your chosen charity, create your free account and start shopping at lots of high street retailers, including John Lewis, Argos

* Helping plan and volunteer at events

* Sharing our events on social media and with your friends and family. Joining our fb page <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057481688055>

We look forward to sharing up and coming events shortly, continued thanks for your ongoing support!

The Friends

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Mrs C Musty

Headteacher



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