

Rush Common School Newsletter

Rush Common

Friday 14th October 2022

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Dear Parents/Carers

Two weeks ago, I had the pleasure of announcing the Head Girl, Head Boy and Deputies, and this week I am delighted to tell you our new House Captains and Sports Captains. After some excellent, passionate speeches to their houses, the votes were counted and our new House Captains are Lilly for Eagles, Eloise for Falcons, Harry for Kestrels and Andrew for Kites. Our new Sports Captains are Eva, Jack, Lexi and Imogen. Congratulations to you all, but we must also congratulate the many Year 6 children who had the confidence to stand up and deliver speeches.

Thank you to all the parents that attended our consultation evenings last week. It really was lovely to have these meetings back in school, and we hope it gave you a good understanding of how your child has settled into their new year group. We also know it was nice to have a good look through your child's current workbooks. If you have not had a parent consultation, it is important to book this in with your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

Last week our KS2 children enjoyed competing in the locality cross country event at Tilsley Park. All the children ran with a smile on their face, and supported each other impeccably. It was a great afternoon, that again showed the brilliant competitive spirit of Rush Common pupils.

Thank you to all the parents that have accompanied their children to the book fair this week. Selecting new books can be a real pleasure, and we hope you have been enjoying getting stuck into the books at home with your children. The more sales made at the book fair, the more money the school has to spend on new books, so your generosity is really appreciated. I will be able to announce the total raised in the next newsletter.

Our wide array of enrichment activities are in full swing, and yesterday our Year 2 children had a lovely trip to the Corinium museum. It really brought the Romans topic to life for our pupils and was hugely enjoyed by all. Our Year 4 pupils have also been out to Abingdon School during this past fortnight, to engage in Science Electicity Workshops. The children had such a great time exploring and learning about electicity, and there were many 'light bulb' moments!

We also have a number of enrichment days in school, with some of these involving the pupils dressing up in clothes or outfits from a historical era. These dress up days are hugely memorable and bring learning to life, but we are also keen to make these days both cost effective for parents and sustainable. To this end please do donate costumes for these days to the school, if they are in good condition.

I am pleased to announce that FoRC were nominated in the Net Zero category at the Big Sustainability Awards in Southampton in September. They were shortlisted as a Finalist and received a beautiful award. FoRC were nominated due to reducing our waste as a charity over the past year. Amongst other things, this was achieved through reducing our use of single use plastic, using secondhand items as prizes, selling secondhand items as fundraisers, opting for selling fully recyclable materials, selling second hand uniform, Halloween costumes and Christmas jumpers, giving out plantable medals for our colour run and buying items that benefit communities. This is a great achievement and only made possible through the support of our parent community.

Finally, the school would really benefit from additional volunteer readers, therefore if this interests you, please do contact the school via email to office@rushcommonschool.org. We are happy to be flexible to the different times in the week you may be able to offer.

This will be the last newsletter this half term, so I would like to wish you all a lovely half term when it comes.

Kind regards

Kristen Fawcett Headteacher









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Visits, Tours and Taster Sessions - Autumn 2022

Taster Sessions

Saturday 24th September and Saturday 15th October 10.00 am - 12.00 pm

Your children will experience our Reception classrooms and outdoor area with a wide range of fun, educational activities led by our brilliant Reception teachers.



'Children in early years get off to a flying start' Ofsted Nov 2021

Open Days

Wednesday 28th September, Tuesday 11th October and Thursday 3th November 9.00 am

See children learning across the school, meet our school staff and ask plenty of questions. 'Happiness is all around. It is as if pupils have an extended family at school' Ofsted Nov 2021



Head's Breakfast and Pupil-led Tours

Every Friday from 16th September to 9th December (excluding 28th October – half term)

9.00 am - 10.00 am



Have a tea or coffee and a pastry with the Headteacher before a pupil-led tour of the school.

'Pupils love coming to Rush Common School' Ofsted Nov 2021

Individual School Visits

We are also happy to provide individualised school visits and tours for parents and children.

To register your interest, email: office@rushcommonschool.org or phone: 01235 533 583

Follow us on Twitter and Facebook, or visit our website to find out more.
www.rushcommonschool.org

Gymnastic Competition

Well done to Harry in Year 5 who participated in a national gymnastics competition recently. He won a gold medal for his floor routine and silver medals for the vault and parallel bars. Congratulations!



School Dinners

The cost of school dinners is £2.40 per day. Payment for school dinners can be made via ParentMail. Meal choices must be made at least 3 days in advance.



Homework Champions

Archie	2RS	Robyn	5EC
Harry	2RS	Rodrígo	5EC
Víolet	2RS	Talía	5EC
Harley	3NM	Harry	5AS
Jake	3JF	Felix	5AS
Hamdan	4CM	Holly	6JN
Jen	4CM	Lexí	6JN
Heidi	4CM	Harvey	6JN
Alex	4CM		

Dates for your diary 2022/23

Author Visit - Reception, Year 1 and 2 Monday 17th October

FoRC Reception Disco Tuesday 18th October

FoRC Yr 1 – Yr 6 Disco Thursday 20th October

Year 1 and 2 4.00pm - 5.30pm Year 3 and 4 5.45pm - 7.15pm Year 5 and 6 7.30pm - 9.00pm

Wear Red Against Racism Friday 21st October

End of Term 1a Friday 21st October

Start of Term 1b Monday 31st October

Fundarising for Woodland Trust Friday 4th November

FoRC Fireworks Night Friday 11th November

Year 3 Egypitian Day Monday 14th November 3MN

Tuesday 15th November 3JF

Year 5 Oxford Museum Trip Wednesday 16th November

Children in Need Friday 18th November

Flu Vaccinations Friday 18th November

Year 6 Trip to STEAM Museum Tuesday 6th December

Year 4 Residential to Ufton Court Wednesday 7th – Friday 9th December

End of Term 1b Tuesday 20th December @ 1.30pm

Start of Term 2a Wednesday 4th January 2023

End of Term 2a Friday 10th February 2023

Start of Term 2b Monday 20th February 2023

End of Term 2b Friday 31st March 2023 @ 1.30pm

Start of Term 3a Monday 17th April 2023

May Bank Holiday (children not in school) Monday 1st May 2023

End of Term 3a Friday 26th May 2023

Inset Day (Children Not in School) Monday 5th June 2023

Start of Term 3b Tuesday 6th June 2023

Year 6 Residential to Call of the Wild Monday 26th – Friday 30th June 2023

End of Term 3b Thursday 20th July 2023 @1.30pm

Inset Day (Children Not in School) Friday 21st July 2023



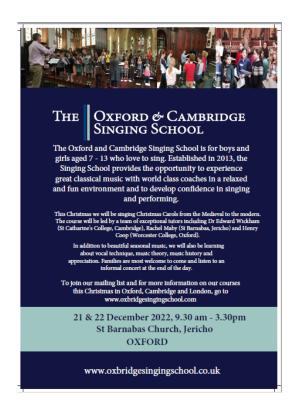
Local Community News

Please note items and events detailed below are for information purposes only. Rush Common School do not endorse or make recommendations.



















FREE dance classes

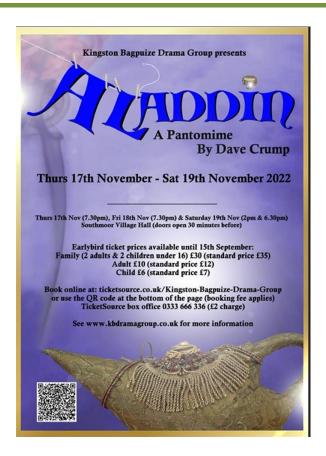
Children, Teens & Adults
Ballet & Contemporary

Any or no experience welcome

Abingdon Coxeter House Didcot Girls' School Sutton Courtenay Village Hall

downland-dance.co.uk/opendays info@downland-dance.co.uk







Let's play the recorder, TooT or flute!

Would you like to learn the recorder, <u>TooT</u> or flute?

Lessons for children in

Years 1 - 6

(Y1 if there is a group of 2, 3 or 4 children.)
are available from after half-term.
Lessons take place in school
on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

£7.50 per lesson (3/4 students per group) £10.00 per lesson (2 students per group) £12.50 per lesson (Individual lessons)

Please contact me by email or phone (see below) for further details.

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