

Rush Common School Newsletter



Friday 17th March 2023

Dream, Aspíre, Succeed

Dear Parents/Carers

Today is Red Nose Day, and it is lovely to see all of our children wearing things that make them happy, in the name of such a worthwhile cause. Thank you for supporting our school with this, and I will let you know how much money we raised in the next newsletter.

Speaking of raising money, the Book Fair that was held last week was hugely successful. It was really well attended, and it was great to see so many of our children having the chance to buy a new book whilst also making money for the school to spend on new books at the same time. Thank you to everyone who purchased a book or two, and the grand total raised for the school was £664. A special thank you to Mrs Neal for organising this event.

Last week, we held our Year 4 Curriculum Assembly, and the children shared such a huge breadth and depth of learning across the curriculum. It was lovely to see the children articulating their learning so confidently, and it was clear to see Year 4 have really enjoyed everything on offer this year. Thank you for such a great turnout from parents, and I hope you really enjoyed finding out what your children have been learning this year. Maybe even picking up a few new facts in the process!

We believe our well stocked library is really important for children to be exposed to a wide breadth of reading opportunities, and recently we have revamped the library and the system for taking out and returning books. A huge thank you to Mrs Atyeo, our librarian, who has put huge effort into getting this up and running effectively. Parents recently received a letter outlining how the new system will work, and there will be an opportunity to visit the library with your child/children every week between 3.00 pm - 3.45 pm after Easter. A letter will be sent out shortly regarding this.

On Tuesday we held 'Books at Bedtime' in our school hall, which was made to look as cosy as possible!. It was a really lovely occasion, in which parents were able to share books with their children, and two members of staff read books to everyone. The children really enjoyed the occasion, and the novelty of drinking milk next to a roaring fire (on the screen!) in our school hall.

As well as Red Nose Day, Year 5 are also enjoying Space Day today, for which we have an inflatable planetarium in our hall. The children are learning all sorts of astronomical facts, and the experience will live long in their memories. Alongside the planetarium, children are engaging in a wide variety of activities related to space, including finding out about 'Curiosity' the Mars Rover, and exploring the space-themed artwork of Peter Thorpe.

Our brilliant Friends of Rush Common continue to be highly active in raising important funds for the school. They have been busy taking orders for Krispy Kreme doughnuts and after school today, parents will be able to pick up their orders from the playground. I will let you know the total raised in the next newsletter.

Finally, I would like to thank all of our parents for the tremendous support you show to our school. We have a fantastic school community, and your continual engagement is such a huge part of this. I hope everyone has an enjoyable and safe weekend, as we head towards the last two weeks of this busy term.

Kind regards

Kristen Fawcett

Headteacher







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Books at Bedtime

On Tuesday 14th March, it was lovely to welcome families from Reception and KS1 to school for our Books at Bedtime event. The hall was transformed into a cosy space for children to share books with their adults. The teachers enjoyed sharing books as well!





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.



Guidance for Parents and Carers

Digital Parenting Pro

Vodafone have created a fantastic resource for parents including information, YouTube videos, and an interactive resource providing information about parental controls and safety settings.

Everything is free and you can find further information **HERE**.

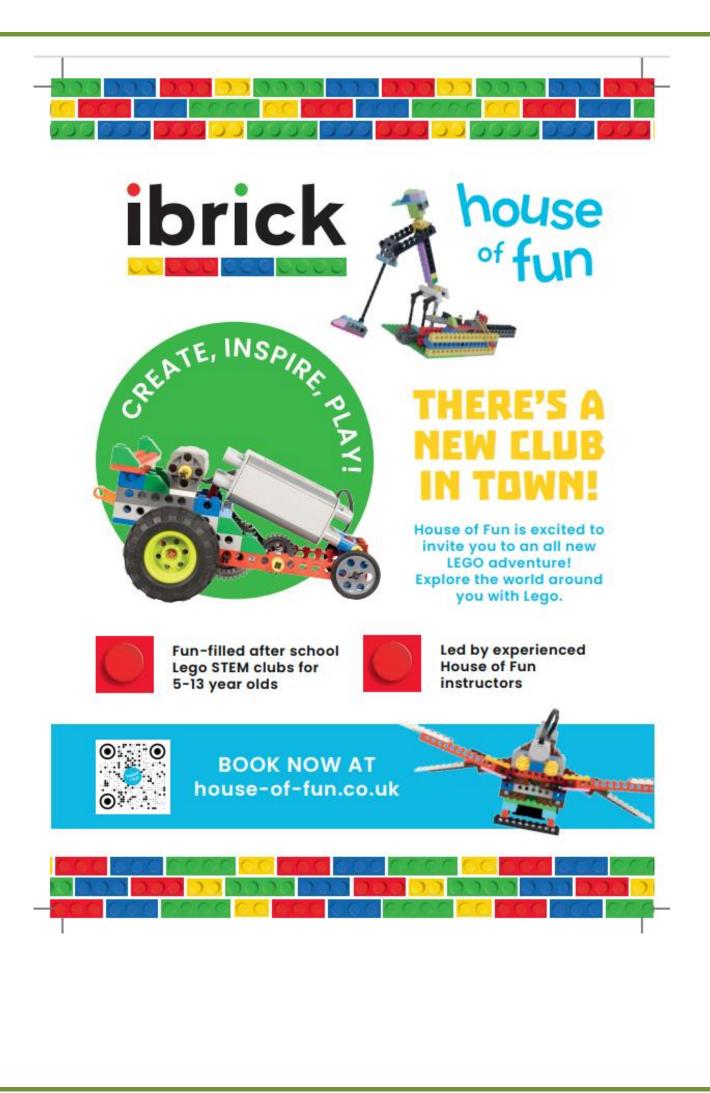
Dates for your diary 2023

Big Sing – Radley College	Monday 20 th March
Weight and Measure Reception and Y6	Tuesday 21 st March
Parents Evening	Monday 20 th – Thursday 23 rd March
Science Fair	Wednesday 29 th March
School Disco Year 1 – 6	Thursday 30 th March (timings tbc)
End of Term 2b	Friday 31 st March @ 1.30pm
Start of Term 3a	Monday 17 th April
Year 5 Cycling Training	Monday 17 th April – Friday 28 th April
May Bank Holiday (children not in school)	Monday 1 st May
Year 5 ASP Workshop	Wednesday 3 rd May 5EC Thursday 4 th May 5AS
Extra Bank Holiday (children not in school)	Monday 8 th May
Class Photos	Wednesday 17 th May
Year 3 Assembly	Thursday 18 th May @ 9.00am (Date Change)
Year 1 Assembly	Tuesday 23 rd May @ 9.00am
Whole School Picnic and Open Afternoon	Friday 26 th May
End of Term 3a	Friday 26 th May
Inset Day (Children Not in School)	Monday 5 th June
Start of Term 3b	Tuesday 6 th June
Year 5 Residential to Kingswood	Wednesday 7 th – Friday 9 th June
FoRC Non-school uniform day	Friday 9 th June
Year 3 Hill End Trip	Monday 19 th June
FoRC Summer Fete and Colour Run	Saturday 24 th June
Year 6 Residential to Call of the Wild	Monday 26 th – Friday 30 th June
Year 2 Assembly	Tuesday 27 th June @ 9.00am
Reception Assembly	Wednesday 12 th July @ 2.30pm
End of Term 3b	Thursday 20 th July @1.30pm
Inset Day (Children Not in School)	Friday 21 st July

Local Community News

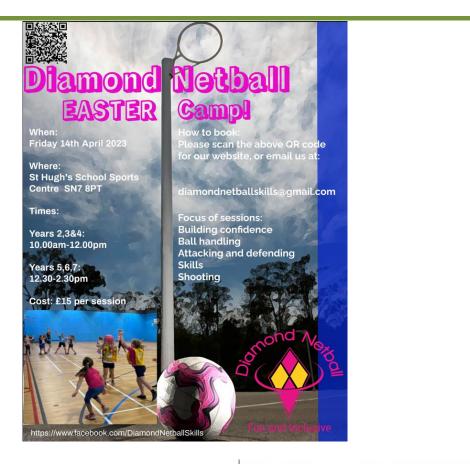
Please note items and events detailed below are for information purposes only. Rush Common School do not endorse or make recommendations.

house of fun CAMPS Easter holidays 3rd - 14th April Summer half term 30th May - 2nd June Summer holidays 24th July - 25th August **BOOK BEFORE EASTER FOR** EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT **BOOK NOW!** jess@house-of-fun.co.uk house-of-fun.co.uk Follow us @houseoffunuk **BRING ON THE FUN!**











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The Singing School was established at Cambridge in 2013 to provide children and young adults aged 7 - 13 with the opportunity to sing great classical music with world class coaches in a relaxed and fun environment and to develop their confidence and ability in singing and performing.

Pupils will learn some beautiful seasonal music and at the same time gain a background in vocal technique, music theory, music appreciation and history. Families are most welcome to come and listen to an informal concert at the end of each day.

To join our mailing list and for more information on our courses, please see www.oxbridgesingingschool.com or email samantha@oxbridgesingingschool.co.uk TO CLAIM YOUR DISCOUNT, USE CODE IS **EASTOX**

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