



Rush Common School Newsletter

Friday 26th May 2023



Dream, Aspire, Succeed

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been such a busy half term and it has been lovely to spend the final week bathed in sunshine! For the second year running, this means we have been lucky with the weather for our whole school picnic and open afternoon. We hope as many parents as possible join us today for this lovely occasion, in which we are able to get the whole school community together! The choir will be singing their hearts out and we hope everyone also enjoys the chance to join children in classrooms to see some of the learning that has been taking place.

Over the last fortnight it has been the turn of Year 3 and Year 1 to deliver Curriculum Assemblies to parents. Year 3 provided a creative scamper through Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory, at each room stopping to share different aspects of their learning this term. It was brilliantly put together, and the audience were also treated to some fantastic recorder playing! Year 1 entertained the audience with their knowledge about 'The Great Fire of London', combined with some exceptional singing of 'London's Burning' in a round and a fire dance. Thank you to those parents that attended these assemblies.

On Wednesday we had our House Competition Day which we combined with a visit from Paralympian, Kylie Grimes. As well as all the children joining Kylie for some exercises to music, we also had an inspirational assembly, which demonstrated how important it is to believe in yourself and be resilient if you want to achieve your dreams. Kylie even showed us her Gold Medal for wheelchair rugby! For the rest of the day, the children competed in House Maths and English Competitions, and there was an overall House winner for the day. We will reveal this to the pupils after half term.

Last week, a group of our KS2 pupils went to Radley College for an Orchestra Day. It is always a wonderful opportunity, and the morning was spent learning set pieces of music in workshops, with the afternoon involving our children playing within a large orchestra. It was once again an inspiring and moving occasion!

This week our Year 4 children have enjoyed a trip to Abingdon Nature Reserve. In the sunshine, they explored different plant and animal species, with a focus on how humans are able to have a positive impact on the natural environment. The children hugely enjoyed the visit, which complements children's learning in Geography relating to climate change and human impact.

There have been two fundraising events in the last fortnight. The Year 6 Bake Sale raised over £200 to go towards the Leavers Party, and the FoRC plant sale raised over £250. A huge thank you to everyone who supported these events.

I would like to give the following two reminders to all parents and families

- Please ensure that all children and younger siblings do not cycle or use scooters once inside the main external gates of the school. This has been noticed more recently due to the nice weather, and it presents a significant safety issue in the school. Children should wheel or push bikes and scooters at all times on the school site.
- Please avoid your child having any form of shaved patterns in their hair, or really closely shaved hairstyles. This is against our uniform policy.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a very happy, safe and sunny half term break, and I look forward to seeing you all back in school on Tuesday 6th June.

Kind regards

Kristen Fawcett

Headteacher



Maths Challenge

Recently, four Year 4 children attended an inter-school challenge at Headington School. Working in teams of two, the children participated in a number of challenging problem solving activities. The children performed exceptionally well. Out of a total of 34 teams, George and Henry came 6th and the whole competition was won by Huniya and Vincent.

Vincent in Year 4 also recently took part in the Junior Maths Challenge organised by the Mathematical Association. He achieved a Gold Certificate for his high score in the challenge and is now through to the next round.

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

Darcy D	1NDBL	Josh	4CM
Darcy C	1NDBL	Joseph	4CM
Leo	1NDBL	Teodor	4LR
Ethan	2RS	Dylan	4LR
Stanley	2RS	Emily C	5AS
Harry	2RS	Leela	5AS
James	3NM	Martha	5AS
Rowe	3JF	Lucy	5AS
Charlotte	3JF	Mabel	5AS
		Becca	5EC
		Iris	5EC

RUSH COMMON COLOUR RUN & SUMMER FETE
Saturday 24th June 2023
 Rush Common Primary
 School, OX14 2AW
 12 - 2pm

Tickets now on sale!
£6 per runner
 (General entry to the fete or to watch the run is free)
 Timeslots available to run from 12 - 2pm
 The route will be 2 laps of the athletics track with obstacles!!
 Every competitor that takes part receives a medal.
 Suitable for ages 4 - adult!
 To buy tickets scan the QR code above or go to...
<https://linktr.ee/friendsofrushcommon>

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Dates for your diary 2023

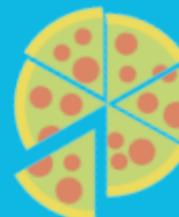
Inset Day (Children Not in School)	Monday 5th June
Start of Term 3b	Tuesday 6th June
Year 5 Residential to Kingswood	Wednesday 7th – Friday 9th June
FoRC Non-school uniform day	Friday 9th June
Reception Trip to Farmer Gows	Thursday 15th June
Year 3 Hill End Trip	Monday 19th June
Year 2 Trip to Abingdon Museum	Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd June
Reception and KS1 Sports Day	Friday 23rd June 9.15am – 11.30am
FoRC Summer Fete and Colour Run	Saturday 24th June
Year 6 Residential to Call of the Wild	Monday 26th – Friday 30th June
Year 2 Assembly	Tuesday 27th June @ 9.00am
KS2 Sports Day (Tilsley Park)	Wednesday 5th July 9.30am – 2.30pm
Reception and KS1 Back Up Sports Day	Friday 7th July 9.15am -11.30am
Year 6 Production 'Olivia'	Tuesday 11th July @ 6.00pm and Thursday 13th July @ 6.00pm
Reception Assembly	Wednesday 12th July @ 2.30pm
KS2 Back Up Sports Day (Tilsley Park)	Thursday 13th July 9.30am - 2.30pm
Year 6 Leavers Party	Wednesday 19th July 5.00pm – 7.30pm
End of Term 3b	Thursday 20th July @1.30pm
Inset Day (Children Not in School)	Friday 21st 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.



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ACTIVITY CAMPS

Summer half term
30th May – 2nd June

Summer holidays
24th July – 25th August

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"How lucky are these young singers. They are brilliantly taught and have a lot of fun, and you will be amazed at what they achieve in just a few days - and all in the most beautiful surroundings." - Bob Chilcott

Pupils will learn some beautiful seasonal music and at the same time gain a background in vocal technique, music theory, music appreciation and history.

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24 - 26th July 2023
Worcester College, Oxford

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