

### **Rush Common School Newsletter**



Friday 14th March 2025

### Dream, Aspire, Succeed

#### Dear Parents/Carers

Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup> March was World Book Day and the children arrived at school with such a wide array of different costumes from such a breadth of literature. This created a huge buzz in the school and children enjoyed the day immensely. As well as activities such as 'Drop Everything and Read', we had a lovely opportunity for children to have a story read to them from a different member of staff. The day was a huge success, and I would like to thank Mrs Neal for her organisation of the day, and all the parents that supported the event.

On the theme of books and reading, throughout last week we held our Book Fair and the response was fantastic. During the school day, children were given a chance to peruse the selection and choose books they might like to purchase with parents. There is nothing quite like a brand new book, and it was lovely to see the children's excitement in getting their hands on one. Really importantly, every book purchased contributes to rewards for the school, with this Book Fair making over £680 for the school to spend on books.

Last week, our Boys Football Team played Long Furlong School in a league match. At half time, they were 1-0 down but showed fantastic mentality in coming back in the second half, eventually winning 4-1. I am sure Mr Meredith's inspirational team talk also had something to do with it!

This week our Girls Football Team played in a Football Festival involving many other local teams. Once again, they excelled themselves and won four of their five matches, finishing second overall. This means they have made it through to the Oxfordshire Finals. Congratulations to them all!

This week our Year 1 children enjoyed a brilliant trip to 'Crocodiles of the World' which complements their topic of Australia. They had a great time on the trip, absorbing a huge amount of knowledge, which they will be able to apply when continuing their learning back in school. These experiences are hugely rewarding and memorable, and really bring their learning to life. Thank you to the parents who volunteered on this day, and all the parents for your continual support of these trips.

On Wednesday we had our annual Science Fair in school. The breadth and depth of scientific knowledge and process skills on show was incredible, and we know the children enjoyed carrying out their projects immensely. They were also very proud that their project was on display for everyone to see. All the children in the school were given a slot in the day to explore the range of projects, and many parents came to see the fair at the end of the school day. Thank you to all the parents that supported the Science Fair through helping children with projects and attending the event.

Yesterday was Superhero Day for our Reception children. All the children and Reception staff came to school in Superhero outfits both from stories/comics and the real world of Superheroes. To complement this topic, children in Reception are receiving a range of talks from real life super heroes which are both informative and inspiring in equal measure!

At Rush Common we know the importance of celebrating all of the main world religions both through our RE curriculum and our Assembly programme. On Monday we had a really informative and interesting assembly on Islam, where children learnt about how Muslims observe Ramadan, including fasting, prayer and reflection. We are fortunate to have increasing diversity in our school community and these opportunities ensure that all the main world religions are represented, learnt about and celebrated.

Finally, I would like to thank all of our parents for their continuing support of our school and wish everyone an enjoyable and safe weekend ahead.

Kind regards

Kristen Fawcett Headteacher







### **School Dinners**

The cost of school dinners is £2.65 per day. Payment for school dinners can be made via ParentMail. Meal choices must be made at least 3 days in advance.



## Please see our website for latest school and Trust Job Vacancies:

Vacancies - Rush Common School - Dream, Aspire, Succeed

### Homework Champions

Palbhy	2RS	Bright	<i>4TJ</i>
Ralphy Lottie	2KS 3LG	Ethan	4TJ
Albert	3LG 3LG	Lucas	4TJ
Isabel	3LA	Evie	4TJ
Leonardo	3LA	Talulah	6JN
Sophie	3LA	Cattaleyah	6JN
Erin	3LA	Emma	6JN 6EW 6EW 6EW 6EW
Charlotte	3LA	Alex	
Noah	4CM	Florence	
Avalyn	4CM	Indhu	
Kítty	4CM	Dylan	
Sasha	4CM		



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### **ONLINE PLAY RISKS**

### MATURE CONTENT

### IN-GAME SPENDING

### **ANONYMOUS PLAYERS**

### RISK OF ADDICTION

### **SCAMS**

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### MONITOR THE CONTENT

### TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TOOLS

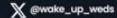
### Meet Our Expert

### **PLAY TOGETHER**

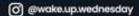
### **TEACH ONLINE BEHAVIOURS**



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### Friends of Rush Common Second Hand Uniform Sale





Tues 25th March

2:30 - 3:30 PM

in the school hall

Prices start from £1

Come along and grab a bargain!

V-neck Swisshirts - Swisshirt Cardigens - Ties - PE T-shirts
Book Bags - PE Bags - Dresses - Trousers - Shorts - Skirts
Income. Swisshirts - Hooding - PE Shorts - Hood T-shirts
Total Cardinal - PE Shorts - Hood T-shirts

# Secondhand Children's Book Sale

Wednesday 30th April, 3pm

In the school hall at pick up

Most books 50p each!

If you have any children's books to donate we will have crates outside the Music Room (to the right of BASC) at drop off and pick up the week before and after the Easter holidays.



#### Dates for your diary 2025

Year 2 Cotswold Wildlife Park Trip Wednesday 19th March

Red Nose Day Friday 21st March

Parents Evening Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March

FoRC Second Hand Uniform Sale Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Year 4 Youlbury Residental Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Oxford Mind Fundraising Event Week beginning 31st March

Parent Forum – General Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 4.45pm (online)

End of Term 2b Friday 4th April at 1.30pm

Start of Term 3a Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

KS1 Fire Talk Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

Year 5 Residental Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April

2RS Trip to Abingdon Musuem Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April

FoRC Second Hand Book Sale Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 3.00pm

Year 4 Curriculum Assembly Thursday 1st May at 9.00am

May Bank Holiday (children not in school) Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May

2JB Trip to Abingdon Musuem Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May

KS2 SATs Week of the 12<sup>th</sup> May

Parent Forum – Personal Development Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 3.30pm (online)

Whole School Picnic and Open Afternoon Friday 23rd May

End of Term 3a Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

Inset Day (Children Not in School) Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Start of Term 3b Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Class Photos Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June

Year 3 Hill End Trip Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June

Vision Screening (Reception Only) Monday 16th June (Date Change)

Summer Fete Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June

Year 6 Call of The Wild Residental Monday 30th June – Friday 4th July

Year 6 Production Monday 14<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 6.00pm

Year 6 Leaver's Party Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July

End of Term 3b Monday 21st July at 1.30pm

### **Local Community News**

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









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