

Rush Common School Newsletter



Friday 21st June 2024

Dream, Aspire, Succeed

Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to start this newsletter with our youngest children - those that attend our Preschool. It is now approaching a year that Rush Common Preschool has been part of Rush Common School, (with the last six months in our newly refurbished building) and they have been thriving as part of the school. This week they have been learning all about the Olympics and have been going out to our field to try some Olympic Sports, such as hurdles and javelin. They have learnt about the Olympic Torch and what it represents, and thoroughly enjoyed making their own torches for their parade on Wednesday. It is particularly pleasing to see the development of these children in readiness for Reception, and being part of the school means the transition is that much smoother.

Speaking of transition, this week was our first Stay and Play sessions for all of the children that will be joining the school in Reception next academic year. This included those both from our own Preschool and those from other settings. It was really nice to welcome the new children and their parents into the Reception classrooms and they had a lovely time, many not wanting to leave at the end!

Our Year 5 and 6 Tennis Players were out again last week as they took on the Oxfordshire Finals. I had the pleasure of attending this event, and the way the children played, combined with their competitive spirit was fantastic to see. They came 3rd overall, and should be extremely proud of their achievement.

Within the last two weeks, both Year 3 and Reception have performed their Curriculum Assemblies to parents. Year 3 gave us a great view into the enjoyment and breadth of learning across the curriculum, and made us all feel hungry as they explained the process for chocolate making! It was also lovely to hear the whole year group displaying their learning in music by playing the recorders. The Reception Assembly was also brilliant, as the children showed great courage and confidence to stand up and deliver their lines. It was a scamper through the entire year, looking back at learning that has taken place in each month. It was clear how much these children have grown and developed over the year within such a rich curriculum. Thank you to all the parents who attended these Assemblies.

The Summer Term always sees many enrichment activites across the school. This week, Year 2 had a fascinating and enjoyable trip to the Abingdon Museum, while yesterday Year 3 showed great confidence and independence as they took on the 'Survival Day' at Hill End. Year 5 and 6 are having a visit from the Police today to continue their learning in citizenship aspects of the PSHE curriculum. We have also taken part in another Orchestra Day at Radley College, which was such a wonderful experience for our Key Stage 2 musicians. Performing in a mass ensemble is an unforgettable experience for our pupils, and we thank the many parents that came to watch.

Year 6 are coming towards the end of their journey at Rush Common, and they have been busy fundraising for their Leavers Party. Both the Year 6 Non-School Uniform Day and the Ice Lolly Sale (on a particularly suitable day!) were both a great success. Thank you to all the parents that contributed to these events.

Finally, we look forward to another fundraising event tomorrow – our annual Summer Fete. With the weather promising to be dry and sunny, and some new exciting stalls to enjoy, we hope to see as many of you as possible at school tomorrow. The Fete is from 12.00pm to 2.00pm and it will be another lovely occasion for us all to enjoy.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable and safe weekend, as we look towards the rest of this exciting Summer Term.

Kind regards

Kristen Fawcett

Headteacher







School Dinners

The cost of school dinners is £2.60 per day. Payment for school dinners can be made via ParentMail. Meal choices must be made at least 3 days in advance.



Homework Champions

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· · ·	Shreya	4LR
· ·	Isobel	4CM
<u> </u>	Harley	4CM
	Freya	4CM
	Lucy	4CM
	Sophie	5AS
	Isla	5AS
	Caitlin	5AS
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Dates for your diary 2024

FoRC Summer Fete Saturday 22nd June 12.00pm – 2.00pm

Year 6 Residential Call of the Wild Monday 24th – Friday 28th June

Parent Forum – Personal Development Tuesday 2nd July 2.00pm (online)

Move Up Day Wednesday 3rd July

KS2 Sports Day (Tilsley Park) Tuesday 9th July 9.00am – 2.00pm

Vision Screening (Reception Only) Tuesday 9th July

Reception and KS1 Sports Day Friday 12th July 9.30am – 11.30am (gates open 9.15am –

School Field)

Year 6 Performance 'Rock Bottom' Tuesday 16th July 6.00pm

Wednesday 17th July 6.00pm

Reception and KS1 Back Up Sports Day Wednesday 17th July

KS2 Back Up Sports Day (Tisley Park) Thursday 18th July

Year 6 Leavers Party Friday 19th July 5.00pm – 7.30pm

Year 6 Leavers Assembly Tuesday 23rd July 9.00am

End of Term 3b Tuesday 23rd July 1.30pm



Trust Facilities Support

Abingdon Learning Trust is looking to appoint a site team member to support our schools across the Trust with maintenance duties.

If you or anyone you know has a trade background or experience of project management, please contact us. Please see https://www.abingdonlearningtrust.org/about-us/work-for-us/current-vacancies/ or phone 01235 200239 for more details.

Local Community News

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





Have fun and make new friends, all welcome whether you're a pro or just starting we've got awesome coaches to help you learn and enjoy the game. Come play, practice, and be a part of the team.

Training Fridays at 6.15pm - 7.30pm (May - August)

abingdonvalecc @ Abingdon ValeCC

www.abingdonvalecc.co.uk Paul White - 07764 432720

SMASH Badminton Club welcomes new members for season 2024-2025

We are a friendly badminton club for children aged 7 to 18, run by parents. Our coaches are also parents who are qualified and CRB/DBS checked



September to April: Saturday mornings in term time, starting from the 7th of September

St Helen & St Katherine School Sports Hall, Abingdon OX14 1BE

FREE First Session

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SESSIONS	AGE GUIDE	TIME
Juniors	7 – 12 years <mark>Places Available</mark>	9:00am – 10:00am
Intermediates	11-15 years <mark>Limited Availability</mark>	9:45am -11:00am
Seniors	14 – 18 years <mark>Limited Availability</mark>	10:45am - 12:00 noon

We have a few spaces available in each session operating on a first come - first served basis, and a waiting list. New starters will be placed in the session appropriate to their age and skill.

The fee for a year is 85£ for the first child, 75£ for the second and there are some free places available for $\underline{YouMoye}$ members and recipients of free school meals.

> Beginners are Welcome Please come for a free trial session

For more information, please email the membership secretary at: membersec@smashbc.uk or visit our website: smashbc.uk

Richards' soccer 4 fun



Come and join in the fun, playing games and learning new skills in football with qualified coaches – CRB approved.

> To be held at Chilton School 29th July to 2nd August - 5 days 5th to 9th August - 5 days 12th to 16th August - 5 days

> > 9.00am to 5.00pm

£15 per child, per day

Booking T&C's: Payment must be made prior to attending.

Please fill in the slip below and send to: Richard Frost, 27 Wasbrough Avenue, Wantage, Oxon, OX12 9BQ any queries please phone 07882352214 or email richard_frost@hotmail.co.uk

Payment can be made by BACS transfer to account no; 20000922 sort code; 090128 account name; Tend and Care, quoting reference (child's name) or send a cheque made payable to Tend and Care

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Days you wish to attend: July 2021+

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12th	13 th	14 th	15 ⁿ	16th August

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Please provide any medical details along with emergency contact details: