



Head Teacher – Mr M Loveridge

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### Headteacher Commendation Award

Congratulations to **Jessica Sowerby** who was recently presented with the 'Head Teacher's Commendation Award' for an amazing piece of written work. Her use of nouns in very complex sentences was fantastic. Well done Jessica. Keep up the good work.

### Prize Giving – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June

Prize giving was a great event with special guest speaker David Flatman, who said he enjoys working with and visiting schools; but is particularly inspired by the resilience and determination shown by students with Special Educational Needs. It was a great send off for our Year 11 leavers who will be going on to college and a wonderful way to celebrate the achievements of all of our pupils."



### Year 11 Prom Night



This was a wonderful evening and a truly fitting celebration of our leavers' five years at Rowdeford School. There was a sense that all our Year 11s were ready to make their way into the big wide world, prepared with all the skills that the school has equipped them with for the next step on their journey.

### Sports Day – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July

- 9:10-9:20 Parents to arrive.
- 9.20-11:00 Rotation of activities on the School Field
- 11-11.15 Break time and snack with parents on the school field
- 11:15-12.15 Races and Tug of War
- 12.15 - Presentations, finish parents to leave, pupils to return to tutor room and go to Lunch, Last lesson as usual.



### Activity Week 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> July

Letters regarding activity week have gone home to students in years 7,9 & 10 (and some year 8's who are not going to Pencelli) if you would like your child to take part, please ensure you have returned your permission slip and paid your contribution to the school office. Please note certain activities may have to be cancelled if insufficient contributions are not received.

### Local Authority Consultation

Thank you for the amazing support that we have already had via the petition and for the many letters that have been sent to councillors, MPs and cabinet members. If you have not already completed the official Local Authority consultation please can I urge you to do so when you get an opportunity, even if you have already written to councillors.

<https://surveys.wiltshire.gov.uk/snapwebhost/s.asp?k=152846412206>

Guidelines to support you completing the online survey are on the campaign website

[www.saverowdefordspecialschool.com](http://www.saverowdefordspecialschool.com)

The next part of the consultation process is to provide parents and carers with an opportunity to feedback and have their voice heard face to face. To that end I have organised two opportunities for you to meet with the LA interim director, Alan Stubbersfield. This will give you an opportunity to share your personal experiences of Rowdeford, with him. There will be meetings **tomorrow – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July @ 9.30** and **Tuesday - 10<sup>th</sup> July 7:00pm here at Rowdeford School.**



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### After School Clubs

There will be no clubs during activity week, which is the week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> July, therefore the last week for after school clubs is the week beginning – 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018. Please ensure all fees are paid to the school office.



### Let's talk PANTS!!!!



Last month all children had an assembly about the PANTS rules. This is a fun and easy way to teach children how to keep themselves and others safe. I enclose a link for the resources. <https://youtu.be/-1L07JOGU5o> Some have been adapted especially for children with autism. The NSPCC has also got some great resources: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/underwear-rule>. Please use this to start a discussion with your child.

### Coffee Mornings for Parents/Carers

We will be running a coffee and cake morning for parents on the first Tuesday of each month; to give you a chance to meet with other parents and talk informally to staff. The first one will be on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October.



### Letters Sent Home

The letters listed below have been sent home since our last newsletter; please contact the school office if you have not received the letters that are relevant to your child.

- Activity week letter – years 7,9 & 10
- Values letter – all years – please remember to register your vote by emailing [teresaollerhead@rowdeford.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:teresaollerhead@rowdeford.wilts.sch.uk) by Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July.
- Sports Day – all years

### Dates for your Diary 2018

<b>July</b>			
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day – am	Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 11-Wyvern Theatre
Mon 16 -20 <sup>th</sup>	Pencelli - Year 8	Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Parent Coffee morning
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup>	End of term 6 – <b>1.50 finish</b>	Mon 15-19 <sup>th</sup>	year 11 Work Experience
<b>September</b>			
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	TD Day –no children in	week	
school		Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>	TD – no children in school
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Start of term 1	Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>	end of term 1
<b>October</b>			
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	Start of term 2	<b>November</b>	
		Mon 26 <sup>th</sup>	TD Day – no children in school

### Best wishes

Mr M Loveridge