



Head Teacher – Mr M Loveridge



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## Responsibility - Value for Term 2

The value that we will focus on this term is **Responsibility**. Your child should have brought a poster about this value for you to have at home. If you would like to work with us to explore and develop this core value, here are a few ideas for you to use at home:

- Display the Responsibility Poster at home and refer to it when members of the family show they are being guided by this value.
- Give your son or daughter a new responsibility that will last for the term, such as looking after a plant, sorting the recycling or a new aspect of their own care that they have not done before, such as washing their hair independently or making their bed.
- Use the sentences about responsibility as a starting point when talking about television programmes you have watched or news stories you have heard, for example when someone owns up to a mistake they have made or when they take responsibility for looking after something.
- Be a role model of responsibility and talk about it. Talk about what family members will try to do, and what they will try to stop doing, when they are being guided by the value of responsibility.

## After School Clubs

Unfortunately, due to very low numbers we have had to cancel Trampoline club for the remainder of this term. Letters will be sent out in January offering clubs again; opportunities to join clubs will also be offered to the year 7 students at this time.

## Children in Need

Children in Need is on Friday 16th November. Students can wear their home clothes, on that day if they wish, for a donation of £1.00.

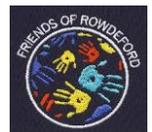


## Half Price Book Fair

The Book Fair is in school - *Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November until Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November*. All tutor groups will have a chance to visit the Book Fair, and if a student sees a book, poster or item of stationery they would like, they will bring home a "Wish List" form for you to think about. If you are happy for them to have the item/s requested, please send back the wish list form, together with the money in a NAMED ENVELOPE. Please make any cheques payable to Rowdeford School. Alternatively, you may send in up to £10 for your child to spend as they wish, but this money must be in a named envelope and handed in to a tutor. All orders and money must be in school by *Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November*, and the books will be ready to go home on *Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November*.

## Friends of Rowdeford School (FORS)

If you are reading this newsletter, you are a Friend of Rowdeford! Why not come to our next meeting and find out how you can support us in fundraising for the school and organising social events. Our next meeting is on *Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November* in the Bowden Hall of the Arts Centre when we will be making arrangements for putting together Christmas Hampers to raffle at the end of term. Meetings start at 7.00pm and last for between an hour and two hours, with tea/coffee and biscuits provided. We are a friendly bunch, a mixture of staff, parents past and present and supporters of the school. If you cannot make this meeting, future meetings will be held on the following Tuesdays: *5<sup>th</sup> January, 5<sup>th</sup> March, 30<sup>th</sup> April and 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019*. You are most welcome to attend all or any of our meetings, and we are grateful for offers of help to prepare and run the events we plan.





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### Crazy hair day

The buddy group day saw the students come in with wild and crazy hair, raised £59.40 for Julia's House Hospice. Thank you for the generous donations and supporting this worthwhile cause.



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### North Wiltshire Special School Consultation

Wiltshire Council has recently informed us that the agenda item about the Special School consultation, scheduled for the 25<sup>th</sup> September and then the 9<sup>th</sup> October will now be on **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November**. Please use the additional time to raise awareness at parish and town council meetings, urging them to express their support for Rowdeford School.

### New Minibus



I am delighted to tell you that we will be taking delivery of our brand new minibus next week. This is fantastic news for us and represents the culmination of some determined fundraising. It will allow us to



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provide even more opportunities for students to go on trips and visits as well as supporting students to develop their life skills and independence.

I would like to thank Lord's Taverners, FORs (Friends of Rowdeford) and all of our supporters, parents, carers, staff and students who have made this possible.

### WPCC SEND Transport Survey

In Wiltshire, there is a new programme called FACT that is looking at what is working well and what could be done differently across children's services, (including health, education and social care). Wiltshire Parent Carer Council (WPCC) has been involved in looking at SEND Transport through a FACT work stream.

We would be very grateful if you could spare 10 minutes of your time to take part in a short survey to help inform the SEND Transport work and to help us all work together to meet the needs of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities and their families more fully. (If you have more than one child or young person using SEND travel assistance, please complete a survey for each child). Anyone who needs assistance completing the survey can contact WPCC on **01225 764647**. All survey responses are anonymous. Please click on the following link to complete the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SENDTransport2018>

**The survey will close at 5pm on Wednesday 14th November 2018**

### Facebook and Twitter

Please follow our Rowdeford School, Facebook and Twitter account (@RowdefordSchool) to keep up to date with regular notices and information. The Twitter feed includes lots of useful information about day-to-day life at the school. Parents and carers have suggested that they would like to support children at home with the cooking activities that we do in school. We have started to upload a selection of recipes via our Twitter account for you to use.



### Flu Vaccine

The flu vaccination, which were due to take place before the half term holiday, are now scheduled to take place next week.

If you have given consent for your child to have the flu vaccination, either online or by completing a paper copy, it is very important that you inform us if your child has had the vaccination over the half term holiday, either at your GP surgery or local clinic. Not all GP surgeries share this information so it is important we know if your child has had the vaccine already this winter to ensure it is not given twice



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### 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.

- Bath Cats & Dogs visit – PHRSE Year 10
- Fairfield College visit - some year 11's
- Boccia Tournament – Willow Class
- Life Skills Centre Trip – Willow Class

### Dates for your Diary 2018/19

#### November

- Tues 13<sup>th</sup> FORS Meeting – 7.00pm
- Fri 16<sup>th</sup> **Children in Need Day – Non-Uniform - £1.00 donation**
- Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Celebration Evening - previous year 11
- Nov 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> Book fair
- Thur 22<sup>nd</sup> Enterprise Day
- Mon 26<sup>th</sup> TD Day – No children

#### December

- Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Carol Service KS3 10.00am – Bromham – St Nicholas Church
  - Fri 21<sup>st</sup>** Carol Service KS4 9.30am – St Matthews Church Rowde.
- End of term 2, 12.40 finish**

### Best wishes



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### Rowdeford Charity Trust – Christmas Card Orders

We now have this year's Christmas card packs in school; students have designed these: Colourful Snow by Lily Dewsbury, Santa's Workshop by Sam Windridge & Christmas Lights by Tyler Wood. All packs contain 10 cards and are available to purchase from school priced @ £3.50 per pack. You can place your completed order form and payment in an envelope with your name on the front and send into the school office or by phoning the school on 01380 850309 or directly from the Charity Trust on 01249 814979 or email: [Ma99iemooore@gmail.com](mailto:Ma99iemooore@gmail.com) We also have a limited stock of cards from previous years on sale @ £1.50 per pack.

2018 Christmas Cards



Previous Stock Selection



Christmas Card Order	No. of Packs	Price/pack	Total Price	Home with student or Collect?
Colourful Snow		£3.50		
Santa's Workshop		£3.50		
Christmas Lights		£3.50		
Previous Stock Selection		£1.50		