



Head Teacher – Mr M Loveridge

14 December 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Headteacher Commendation Award

Congratulations to **Kelly Page** who was recently presented with the 'Headteachers Commendation Award' for the amazing French work she completed. Kelly's work included many examples of difficult French words and her spelling was "trés bien". I was also delighted to see that Kelly had taken the opportunity to do extension work. Well done Kelly.



After school clubs

This is the last week for After School Clubs, as there are no clubs the last week of term. Clubs will start again the week beginning Monday 15th January 2018; you will need to complete a new form for clubs if your child wants to take part; even if they have attended before. Please look out for the letter, which will go home this week.

Sickness & Diarrhoea

To prevent the spread of infection, especially to those children who have medical conditions and are vulnerable please could all parents & carers ensure that if their child has any symptoms of sickness or diarrhoea that they **do not** send them into school. **Children must be clear of infection for 48 hours** before they can return to school.



Medication in School

Please could all parents ensure that if their child needs medication during the school day, that the school is made aware of this? All medication **must** be handed to the Passenger Assistant or directly to the school office, **accompanied by the original packaging and patient information leaflet**. A consent form **must** also be completed. If your child is prescribed antibiotics the medication *only* needs to be brought to school if it is to be administered 4 times a day or if your child is boarding and is well enough to be in school.

Internet safety

Recently an extreme sexual image has been circulating on an Instagram account of a child from **another Wiltshire School**. They are receiving help and support.

If you or your child receives this message, delete it immediately and inform the school or the police. You must not store the image on your phone or tablet or send it on to friends. If you do either you will be committing a serious offence of making or distributing indecent photographs. If you are concerned about internet safety, please come to our Internet Safety evening on the 16th January at 6pm-7pm.

Parent Support Evening - How to keep your child Safe on the Internet

Our next Parent Support Evening is January 16th 2018 6.00-7.00pm, here at Rowdeford School in the Arts Centre. An evening designed to support you to ensure that your child is safe on the internet. All are welcome.





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Christmas Hampers

We will again be holding a Christmas raffle to win a luxury hamper. Raffle tickets will be available throughout Term 2 and the draw will take place at the Key Stage 3 Carol Concert on Wednesday 20th December, just in time for Christmas! **Please could any donations be sent into school by Monday 18th December**, thank you for your support. The order form is at the bottom of the newsletter for you to purchase tickets.



Bad Weather

In the case of bad weather please could all Parents/Carers look at the school's website and listen to BBC Radio Wiltshire, Heart FM or Spire FM for information.

School Grounds Speed Limit

Please note the school site speed limit is 5mph, for everyone's safety please could you adhere to this when driving on the school premises.



Wednesday 20th December - Early Finish

Please note taxis will collect the students @ **1.50pm** on the last day of term, as we will be finishing early. The Key Stage 3 (years 7, 8 & 9) Carol Service is on the last day of term and parents who are attending can take their children home afterwards. *Please ensure you inform the school office if you are planning to take your child home with you, as this will enable us to notify the taxi company.*

Governors – Volunteer Opportunity

We have Governor vacancies at Rowdeford School, if you or anyone you know, would be interested in supporting the school in this rewarding way; please see the attached flyer or contact the school office for more information: 01380 850309 or by emailing admin@rowdeford.wilts.sch.uk

Uniform

I would like to take the opportunity to remind you of the expectations for uniform at Rowdeford. Trousers must be black, formal and not made out of denim or tracksuit material. School polo shirt and school jumper (no hoodies or alternative jumpers). DoE tops are only allowed on the days when students have DoE Lessons - Year 10s - Mondays, Year 11s – Tuesdays. Shoes should be sturdy leather shoes. No trainers of any colour. The school does have a fund to support parents who may experience financial hardship, to support them buying uniform. Please contact your child's tutor for details. Please take the opportunity, during the Christmas holiday, to ensure students have the appropriate uniform for school.

Jewellery - The only jewellery that may be worn in school is either a stud or small hoop (one in the centre of each lobe). No other jewellery may be worn, including bracelets, rings or facial piercings.

Hairstyles - It is a part of the school's Dress Code/Uniform Standard that students attending the school should wear a 'reasonable' hairstyle. This also means hair should be of "natural" colouring.

Mobile Phones – These must be handed in as soon as students arrive at school. Students can collect them at taxi time, in the afternoon, ready for the journey home.



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Christmas Lunch

The children coped really well with the sudden postponement of Christmas lunch due to problems with the gas.

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.

- Christmas Carol letter – KS 3 (Years 7,8,9)
- After School Clubs for Terms 3 & 4
- Value for Term 3 - Happiness

Rowdeford Charity Trust – Christmas Card Orders

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: Ma99iemoore@gmail.com
We have a limited stock of cards from previous years on sale @ £1.50 per pack.



2017 Christmas Cards



Cards from Previous Years

| Christmas Card Order | No. of Packs | Price/pack | Total Price | Home with student or Collect? |
|--------------------------|--------------|------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Highland Delivery | | £3.50 | | |
| Shepherd | | £3.50 | | |
| Previous Stock Selection | | £1.50 | | |

Luxury Christmas Hamper Raffle

Please can I order:raffle tickets @ £1.00 **per** ticket.

Name:..... Amount of money enclosed :.....



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Dates for your Diary

December

Tues 19th KS 4 Christmas Carol –
Rowde

Wed 20th KS3 Christmas Carol -
Bromham

Wednesday 20th End of Term 2 – **1.50pm**

January 2018

Thursday 4th Start of Term 3

Tuesday 16th FORS meeting – 7.00pm

Tuesday 16th Parent Support 6-7pm

Thursday 25th KS3 – Parents Evening

February

Thurs 1st KS4 – parents Evening

Tuesday 27th FORS meeting

March

Thurs 1st World Book Day

Monday 12th Parent Support 6-7pm

April

Tuesday 24th FORS meeting – 7.00pm

May

Thursday 17th Parent Support 6-7.00pm

Sunday 20th Rowdeford Garden Fair

June

Tuesday 12th FORS meeting – 7.00pm

Saturday 16th Rowdeford School Fete

July

Tuesday 3rd Parent Support 6.-7.00pm

Merry Christmas and a happy New Year

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