



Head Teacher – Mr M Loveridge

01 March 2019



### Headteacher Commendation Award

Congratulations to **Erin Johns** of **Beech** class who was recently presented with the 'Head Teacher's Commendation Award' for her amazing Maths work. She had completed some accurate estimations and measurement and had remembered to include her units with every answer. Well done Erin, keep up the good work.

### Term 4 - Resilience

The value that we focus on this term is **Resilience**. Below are a few ideas for you to use at home:

- Display the Resilience Poster at home and use it as a talking point.
- Play games, such as jenga, snakes and ladders or Pooh Sticks. This will give opportunities to experience winning and losing, and coping when things go wrong.
- Admit to a "mistake a day" and talk about what you learned.
- Research by Carol Dweck shows that praising people for their effort rather than outcomes helps build resilience and ensure learning. For more information about this visit: <http://mindsetonline.com>
- Learn a new skill together that will be difficult and where everyone will have to keep trying again and again. We'd love to know your ideas for this!
- If your child is striving to do something, resist the temptation to help too soon. Can they keep trying until they get it right? This helps to build resilience and independence.



We would love to hear about activities that pupils do at home that are linked to our values. Please encourage your young person to tell their tutor, or send an email to our office for the attention of Miss Rossiter.

### Special School consultation

The consultation period for this **ends at 5pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019**.

It is really important that as parents/carers of Rowdeford School **you have an opportunity to respond to the consultation**. It is important that you **take that opportunity before 5pm the 1<sup>st</sup> March**. **No final decision has yet been made** and it is vital that we continue to have a voice.

In order to keep Rowdeford School, I am asking for your help to support this viewpoint:

- 1) **Complete the consultation survey**, supporting the LA proposed solution, which can be found via the following link

<https://surveys.wiltshire.gov.uk/snapwebhost/s.asp?k=154694247351>

- 2) I would also urge you to provide a fuller response, detailing the importance of retaining Rowdeford School in the future, to the consultation by emailing commissioners and directors using the following email address: [SpecialSchools@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:SpecialSchools@wiltshire.gov.uk)





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### MOMO – Online Safety advice

Please be aware of sinister image being shared on the internet. The image is being used to threaten children and challenge them to cause themselves harm. We advise that you sit with your children to check their devices and follow the National Online Safety Guidance attached sent out with this newsletter.

### Runways Residential – Year 8

If you have not sent in your deposit for the residential trip to Runways End in July please can this be sent into the school office as soon as possible.

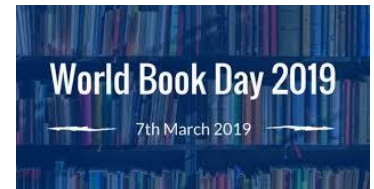


### Drumming Lessons

We currently have vacancies with our Drumming Teacher – Paulo, if your child is interested in drumming please contact the school office for further details.

### World Book Day – Thursday 7th March 2019

As usual, we will be taking part in World Book Day, and would like to see lots of students coming to school that day dressed as a character from a favourite book. Normal school uniform should be worn by those who do not want to dress up. We are also planning on holding a **Book Swap**. If your child would like to take part in this, they need to bring in up to three good condition books that they no longer want. In return, for each book they bring in they will get a voucher to exchange for a different book to take home on World Book Day. Books for swapping can be brought into school between Monday 4th and Wednesday 6th March. We will also be holding some book and story themed quizzes and activities that week, with books and bookmarks as prizes.



Students will be receiving their free Book Token on Thursday 28th February. This can be exchanged for a special £1 World Book Day book, available in most bookshops and some supermarkets, or be put towards the purchase of another book.



### Red Nose Day

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March is Red Nose Day – In the week running up to Red Nose Day students will have the chance to take part in a Dance-athlon. There will be a “donate £1 to wear non-uniform day” on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March – more details to follow.

### Friends of Rowdeford Annual Quiz - ‘A Day at the Races’

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March in the Arts Centre.

Doors open at 7.15 and the quiz begins at 7.30pm

The theme this year will be “A Day at the Races” please come wearing a fancy hat. It will be a general knowledge quiz, not one about racing, Medals for the best dressed team and a cup and medals for the winning team. Maximum team size of 8 – tickets cost £5 per person. Tickets are obtainable from the school office: Tel 01380 850309 or email

[admin@rowdeford.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@rowdeford.wilts.sch.uk). Quiz masters are Barry and Sarah Devine.





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### Coffee Morning for Parents/Carers

We will be running a coffee and cake morning for parents/carers and friends on the first Tuesday of each month to give you a chance to meet with other parents and talk informally to staff. Our next coffee morning is on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 10.00 – 11.00am.

### School Lunches

School lunches can be paid either weekly or termly and can be paid by Bacs, (details below), or by cheque or cash sent into school in a named envelope. If your child only wants lunch occasionally it is fine to send the money in on the day. Menus will be sent out in the new term and will be on the website.

Bacs details: Account number: 47769060 - Sort code: 309199

Lunch is £2.20 per day

Weekly - £11.00

Term 4 - £63.80

If for any reason your child is absent from school and you have paid in advance you will receive a credit.

### Rowdeford Annual Garden Fair

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May is the day for the Garden Fair and we need your support. The proceeds of this event will be going towards further development of Learning Outside the Classroom (LOtC) at Rowdeford. There is exclusive entry for ticket holders from 10:00-11:00. The Fair commences from 11.00 am until 3.00 pm. There will be gorgeous plants from specialist plant growers plus practical and attractive garden accessories. Other attractions include farm animals, WI teas, a Pimm's tent, Bistro lunches and live music. Advance tickets are £4 per adult (£5 on the day) with children under 16 free. Parking is free; but sorry, no dogs. *These can be purchased from school reception – please ring 01380 850309.* For further information or advance tickets, please contact [ma99iemooore@gmail.com](mailto:ma99iemooore@gmail.com) telephone 01249 814979, or go to [www.rowdefordcharity.org.uk](http://www.rowdefordcharity.org.uk)



For more information about the Garden Fair, please click on the link below:

<https://www.rowdefordcharity.org.uk/garden-fair/53-garden-fair>

### Thankyou

The non-uniform day held on the last day of term 3 in to raise money for Water Aid raised £130.00. Many thanks for your generosity. <http://www.watersurvivalbox.org/>

### 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.

- Consultation letters – all years
- Hillworth Park letter -Willow Group





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## Dates for your Diary 2019

### March

Tues 5 <sup>th</sup>	FORS meeting – 7.00pm
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day
Frid 15 <sup>th</sup>	Red Nose Day – comic relief Dance- Athlon – non-uniform
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup>	Options Evening – Year 9 @ 6.00pm
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	FORS Quiz Night – 7.00pm – see flyer

### April

Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	End of term 4 – <b>12:40pm finish</b>
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>	TD Day – no students in school
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>	Start of term 5
Tue 29 <sup>th</sup>	FORS Meeting – 7.00pm

### May

Mon 6 <sup>th</sup>	Bank Holiday – No school
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup>	Rowdeford Garden Fair
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	End of term 5

### June

Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Start of term 6
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup>	FORS Meeting – 7.00pm

### July

Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup>	End of term 6 – <b>12:40pm finish</b>
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## Best wishes

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