

Headteacher Weekly Update 07.06.2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Friday everybody. Summer 2 has begun. The children have settled back into school really well this week, picking up from where they left off ready to achieve great things together.

Creativity: Our focus Habit of Mind for this half term is Creativity and in Collective Worship we have started reflecting on **creating new paths and new ways** by which to move forward in our learning and overcome problems. We looked at the example of Joshua in the Bible who God called to be strong and courageous as he led God's people onwards. It takes courage and strength to try things in a different way and take a risk but we want to help the children to be confident and well-practiced at doing just that. Our Shared Language of High Expectations; Deep Empathy has a number of helpful phrases and questions to be using through this half term and let's start with the very apt **"How will you solve that problem?"**. A great question to encourage independence and creativity in lots of different situations.

Romsey Young Carers Fundraiser: Next Friday we will be holding a fundraiser event for the wonderful local charity, Romsey Young Carers. Those pupils in school who are young carers will be leading Collective Worship on Tuesday to explain a bit more about what Young Carers does to support children and families. On Friday afternoon we will be holding a talent and challenge exhibition where some pupils will be able to showcase their talents. There will also be a chance for the children to challenge Mrs Maxey and me to different challenges they'd like to see us have a go at (I'm slightly nervous). We would like to encourage children to bring a small donation of 50p or £1 that day to support the work of Romsey Young Carers.

PTFA Marathon Challenge: Thank you to everyone who made sponsorship donations for the Relay Marathon Event before half term. Thanks to your efforts the PTFA raised £494 for the school. Well done everybody. We are really looking forward to the Summer Fete at the end of the month which you will have received information about this week.

Driving and Parking near to school: As you know, the start and end of the day can be very busy outside school on Church Lane and the surrounding roads. Please make every effort to park further away from the school to reduce traffic where lots of families walk and please take care and go slowly when parking and driving near the school.

Term Time Holidays: Please do not book term time holidays. Parents have a legal responsibility to ensure their children are in school each day unless they are too unwell to attend.

If you have an encouragement or suggestion to share please do take a quick moment to complete our **Friendly Feedback Form**.





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Thank you to those who have done so previously. We do look carefully at these and are already taking action on a number of your helpful suggestions. We are also very grateful for your kind encouragements.

Dates for your Diary: Don't forget to check the dates for your diary for all the upcoming events with lots of things happening over the exciting summer term:

Prayer: You are most welcome to join me in praying this for our school community: *Dear God,*

As we delve into the busy final half term of the year, we pray, God, that you will bless our school with a wonderful and palpable sense of peace. We thank you for the calm and settled start to the half term and pray that the children would make the most of the opportunities that come their way over the coming weeks with confidence and kindness. = Amen

Have a great weekend everybody

Kind Regards

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