

Headteacher Weekly Update 28.06.2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Friday everybody. I hope you have had a great week and enjoyed the sunshine. We march into July next week and we will be letting the children know on Monday who their new teachers will be next year. I will send an email on Monday to inform parents too. On Wednesday morning they will have a chance to spend time in their new classrooms with their new teachers and then there will be lots of opportunities following that to spend time getting to know their new teachers.

Creativity: Risk Aware not Risk-averse: It can sometimes feel much easier as adults to ensure our children avoid all risks so nothing goes wrong but ultimately we want to teach children that there are often risks in life and the things we do: mistakes will be made and things don't always go to plan. We must therefore learn how to assess and judge risk and also to develop the courage to take purposeful risks. We are at our most creative when we are not afraid to take a risk. Two of the key questions in our shared language of High Expectations; Deep Empathy are: "What are the risks with this?" and "Are the risks worth it?" As a school we want to help the children talk about and weigh up risk rather than hide from it or be reckless in not considering risk. Creativity grows when we are not afraid to make mistakes or get things wrong.

Summer Fete: We are looking forward to seeing you tomorrow for the PTFA Summer Fete between **11am and 2:30pm.** It promises to be an excellent event and one not to miss. Thank you for the team of volunteers that have made the Fete possible: you are amazing!

School shoes and uniform: The Summer Term is racing away but there are still 3 weeks and 2 days before the summer holidays. The last day of term *Tuesday 23rd July" will be a non-school uniform day but until then we expect all pupils to be in **correct school uniform and correct black school shoes**. For those whose school shoes have broken or no longer fit, we have black pumps for the children to wear in school. We do not permit trainers in place of school shoes. We also ask that even in the warmer July days that parents ensure that clothing is appropriate for school when dropping off and collecting children.

Reading Momentum: The children have been really enjoying our summer term Romsey Library visits. The Summer Reading Challenge will be launched in a couple of weeks but we want to encourage the children to keep reading each day at home. We have challenged the children to get to their next Reading Star certificate before the end of term. If your child has got out of the good habit of reading daily at home then get that going again before the Summer Holidays so they have reading momentum to set them up for the summer reading challenge. Get reading; keep reading.

Friendly Feedback Form: 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: https://docs.google.com/document/d/10-Qagv3rcTOhIIGpgLuw5Jpz roi8-UQP-67gL45jBc/edit

There are a number of performances and events coming up in the weeks ahead so do check you have everything in your diary.

I'll finish with a **prayer**, which you are welcome to join me in praying:

Dear God.

We pray that the Summer Fete tomorrow would be a fun, friendly and welcoming community event. We pray for good weather and your blessing on all those working hard to make it happen for us all to enjoy.

Have a wonderful weekend everybody!

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