Newsletter - Friday 14th February 2025





Dear Parents,

What a wonderful term we've had! The past 6 weeks have absolutely flown by but it's been fabulous to see the children making brilliant progress in their learning and enjoying their topics.

All of the year groups have been so busy over the past few weeks and the children have been fortunate enough to take part in so many exciting experiences and activities.

Nursery and Preschool were visited by Year 3 during National Storytelling Week and really enjoyed listening to stories by told the older children. During their weekly visit to the library, Year 3 had the opportunity to choose books that they thought the younger children would enjoy — and they were right! In Reception, the children had so much fun during their explorer day! They learnt about Ernest Shackleton, learnt new facts about animals living in Antarctica and enjoyed an expedition to the field! Year 1 had a fabulous day celebrating their Kings and Queens topic. They dressed up like royalty, made regal crowns and learnt a very special dance! The children loved the opportunity to immerse themselves in

the topic.

In Year 2, the children took part in a Victorian day — they dressed as Victorian children, played Victorian games and took part in learning activities that Victorian children would have done. The children really enjoyed experiencing life as a Victorian child and it gave them a real insight into what school would have

been like 125 years ago.

Year 3 have visited the library weekly throughout this term and it has been such a pleasure to see and hear how much they have valued the time to listen to a story at the library and choose books that they are interested in.

In Year 4, the children had the opportunity to visit the STEAM Museum, which enabled them to learn more about Isambard Kingdom Brunel, see the trains and the workshops and learn about how Swindon changed because of the railways.

Throughout this year, Year 5 have been working with our dance teachers to learn an incredible dance, which some of the children performed at the Wyvern Theatre! They were so confident and represented the school so brilliantly. Thank you to all of the parents who came to the performance!

Year 6 have been incredibly busy with the media this term! There has been so much interest in the roles that all Year 6 children have and we are so proud of the way that they have spoken about their roles and what their roles mean to them — all the children in our school look up to our Year 6s so it's been amazing to share this with other people!

After all the excitement of this term, I'm sure the children are in need of a break! We hope you have a wonderful half term break and we look forward to seeing you on Monday 24th February!

Best wishes, Miss Harris



We are so proud of our Year 5 dancers who performed with such confidence at the Wyvern Theatre!

Not only did they perform well, they also watched the rest of the show with so much enthusiasm and support for the other dancers. Well done, Year 5!

School Uniform Reminder –

To ensure all students look smart and best represent Rodbourne Cheney Primary School, we have a number of rules when it comes to school uniforms.

Please ensure that children are wearing the correct uniform and correct PE kit. We have noticed that especially on PE days, children are not wearing the correct uniform. As the children wear their PE kits all day, this is considered their uniform for those days so we expect them to wear the clothes specified below:

The Rodbourne Cheney Primary School uniform consists of:

- A white t-shirt.
- Black or grey shorts, trousers, skirt or pinafore.
- Sensible black footwear.
- Blue logo sweatshirt or navy-blue jumper/cardigan.

The PE kit consists of:

- A white t-shirt.
- Black shorts.
- A dark tracksuit in winter.
- Daps or trainers.

Please label **all** clothing with your child's name.

Diary Dates for Term 4	
Monday 24th February	Start of Term 4
Tuesday 4 th March	Football Match – RCPS Football Team
Wednesday 5 th March	Science Day at Rodbourne! The children will take part in a range of science activities, as well as a science show!
Thursday 6th March	World Book Day!
Monday 17 th March	Great Big Dance Off! Elite Dance Team performing at the Wyvern Theatre.
Tuesday 18th March	Year 6 SATs/Residential Meeting
Wednesday 19th March	Class photos
Friday 21st March	Red Nose Day
Wednesday 26th March	Year 1 trip!
Wednesday 26th March	Nursery/Preschool/Reception Mother's Day Stay and Play
Thursday 27th March	Year 2 trip!
Thursday 27th March	PTA Secret Mother's Day Shop!
Thursday 27th March	Reception Make A Noise Festival
Wednesday 2 nd April	Football Match – RCPS Football Team
Thursday 3 rd April	Easter Church Service
Thursday 3 rd April	Easter disco!
Friday 4th April	Easter bonnet parade
Friday 4th April	Last day of Term 4

Diary Dates for Term 5	
Tuesday 22 nd April	Start of Term 5
Tuesday 29 th April	Reception trip!
Wednesday 30 th April	Parents Evening
Thursday 1st May	Parents Evening
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 12 th — Thursday 15 th May	Year 6 SATs
Wednesday 21st May	Year 3 trip!
Friday 23 rd May	Last day of Term 5

^{*}More dates will be added to Term 5 and shared in Term 4.