

MILL RYTHE INFANT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Friends

The first of the Year 2 groups left yesterday for their 2½ day visit to Minstead in the New Forest and we know that they will have a wonderful experience. Swop-over day is Wednesday and I will be going down on the coach to take Group B down and bring Group A back.

As we start to wind down for the Summer break I need to remind you about one or two things but also update you on recent events. Both Mrs Allison Marden and Miss Deb Shedden finish their part-time positions with us next week, and I want to thank both of them for the contribution they have made to the life of the school. Miss Shedden has of course been here for 11 years, reducing to part time three years ago. Many of you will know that she runs the 'Rock On' sweet and gift shop at the funfair - don't forget to pop in there and say hello to her. She will love to see you. This means that Mrs Gillam becomes a full-time teaching assistant in Years 1 and 2 from September.

Some time ago we informed you about raising money through the on-line Flora campaign. This is still running so please don't forget that by logging on (look for instructions on the packaging) you can raise money for our school.

Please can you return all reading and library books by the end of this week so that we can check the stock. Thank you.

I would like to say a big thank you to the FOMS members who ran the Year 2 leavers' barbecue on Friday - it was a huge success. Thank you also to Mark Jermy, and to Meyrick, for once again doing the cooking so ably.

Governors

We say goodbye and many thanks to Dr Jeanette Cook and Mr Mike Burnham. Jeanette and her husband are moving to the Bristol area with Joshua and Zachary this coming weekend - good luck to them all. Mike feels that after many, many years in education he now deserves a rest.

We also have some terms of office that terminate during the Autumn term. We will be canvassing parents of current Year R and Year 1 children and of course our new parents during the early part of the term to ensure that we fill vacancies. If you would like to know more about the work of governors and the necessary qualifications you can log on to the [Hampshire County Council website](#) for more information.

We are also looking for a 'partnership' governor (this office only exists at Foundation Schools) and we are actively seeking nominations. Parents of pupils, people employed at the school or elected members of the LA may not be appointed. We already have one eligible applicant but if you know of someone in the community who might be interested please ask them to contact me.

Patricia