

MILL RYTHE INFANT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Friends

Thank you so much for coming in and supporting the School Book Fair which took the fantastic sum of £914.60. This means that we receive 60% of that amount in commission which we will be taking in books to replenish book boxes in classrooms and library stock. The fair has been a huge success and we will be booking it again for the Summer term.

Kids World Photos

The Kids World photographer will be in school on Friday. There is one slot still available in school time. Please could all those who haven't paid their £10 deposit find Anna Wells in the Year 1/2 playground on Wednesday morning. All those who have booked a session will receive a confirmation letter shortly.

FOMS AGM

The FOMS Annual General Meeting will be held in the hall next **Wednesday, 1 October**, at 2.30pm. New parents are particularly welcomed. Friends of Mill Rythe School have over the years become synonymous with friendship and hard work. Those who have given generously of their time have helped to provide a range of materials to benefit all of the children here. Books, playground equipment and markings, interactive whiteboards, computers, televisions - a staggering amount of resources have been given to the school over the years. But I also know that many of the people involved have had a great deal of fun too and made long lasting relationships. Caroline Thompson was our Chair last year and I want to thank her for her efforts to maintain a packed programme of events for children and adults, and for rallying the troops to support school events such as Harvest and Sports Day. Don't forget that even if you can't offer your services to attend meetings and make decisions, helpers are always needed at all the FOMS events, and it is really useful for the committee to have a list of names and phone numbers that they can call on. If you can't make the meeting next Wednesday but would still like to help our when you are free, please give your name and number to Jayne in the office.

We are looking to appoint two new **Lunchtime Supervisory Assistants** to join our team. The hours are 12 noon until 1.15pm and the pay is £6.59 per

hour. Training will be given. Application packs are available from the School Office. If you would like to discuss the role profile with me or with Mrs Jenny Lazell we will be happy to find time to do so.

I am delighted to advise you that Mrs Dayley is getting married next Saturday and will return to school on Monday 29 September as Mrs Eland. We wish Rachel and Dean much happiness in their new life together.

Junior School Playground Works

The Junior School has asked us to let you know that they are expecting work to be carried out on their playground starting next Monday, 29 September. Large areas of the Junior School playground will be fenced off so parents will not be able to access the Junior School classroom doors round the back of the school via the swimming pool, but will have to go around the front of the school while the work is taking place.

Harvest Festival Lunch - Tuesday 7 October

Just a reminder in case you have not yet ordered this special lunch, to please get your orders in by **Thursday 2 October** at the latest. The menu is:

Harvest Pizza Slice
Mini Sweetcorn Cob
Grated Carrot
Salad
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Crunchy fruit muffins
or Fresh Fruit

If you have not ordered this lunch by the deadline, please ensure your child brings a packed lunch on this day. All children who have paid in advance up to half-term, or who are entitled to free school meals, will be assumed to be having this lunch.

Pantomime Ticket Offer -Message from FOMS

Just a reminder that Ferneham Hall, Fareham are offering our school a great deal to see "Dick Whittington and His Cat" on Friday 2 January at 2pm. All tickets will cost £8.50. The deadline for ordering tickets is **Friday 26 September**. Cheques payable to Friends of Mill Rythe School.

Many of you will already have heard the dreadfully sad news of Pat Duckworth's death at the weekend. Our hearts go out to Juliette, Lulu and Joseph. How good it is to know that they have such a strong and supportive network of family and friends to help them through this difficult time.