

MILL RYTHE INFANT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Friends

A warm welcome back. It has been lovely to see how much the children have grown during the summer break and we are delighted with the maturity they are showing as they build new class groups. Year R starts full-time from next Monday, 15 September, and we look forward to welcoming 74 new pupils. This healthy number shows that our school is growing in size.

We had a lively non-pupil day last week setting the seal on our plans for the coming year and getting to know two new members of staff - Miss Kerry Emery and Miss Laura Bruce. I am sure that you will find them as warm and friendly and as approachable as their colleagues.

Listed overleaf are dates of some of the events already planned for this term and beyond - of course sometimes things may have to be changed but we try to give you as much notice as possible if that happens.

FOMS have set their Annual General Meeting for 2.30pm on Wednesday, 1 October but as there are one or two upcoming events that need to be organised there is a meeting for anyone interested next Monday afternoon, **15 September, again at 2.30pm** in the staffroom.

Tracy Knight has informed me that sadly she is relinquishing her after school clubs that have been running at Mill Rythe for the past seven or so years. I want to thank Tracy for the support she has shown the school and for the extras she has added to our provision. I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Zoe Backler has offered to

extend her work and, as well as the football club on a Monday, she is willing to offer another club. You will find more details and an application form below. You will also be receiving information from Portsmouth Football Club.

Mrs Tara Piggott, Clerk to the Governors, will be writing to you shortly giving details of governor vacancies and the procedure for nominations. Meanwhile if you have any queries about any aspect of school life don't hesitate to speak with either Mrs Lazell or myself. One or other of us is available before school in the playground when the weather is fine, or Mrs Willis in Reception will make a more formal appointment at the earliest availability.

We have noticed that at the end of last term and the beginning of this term, several children were absent without any reason being given. If you take your child out of school you must complete a holiday request form or let the school office know if your child is ill or has a medical appointment. Otherwise the absence is on your child's record as unauthorised.

After School Clubs

Mrs Backler and Miss Dollery will be running their Monday **Football Club** again, starting Monday 15 September, 3.15 - 4.30pm. If your child would like to attend please fill in the slip below and return to school by Wednesday as there are only 30 places. Further details and an application form will then be sent to you.

Mrs Backler will also be running a **Games Club** on Wednesdays after school - again please complete and return the slip below to register your interest. More information will then be forwarded to you.

FOOTBALL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB MONDAYS - MRS BACKLER & MISS DOLLERY

My child is interested in the Monday Football Club. Please send further details.

Child's Name Class

GAMES AFTER SCHOOL CLUB WEDNESDAYS - MRS BACKLER

My child is interested in the Wednesday Games Club. Please send further details.

Child's Name Class

DATE	EVENT	NOTES
Wednesday 3 September 2008	Non Pupil Day - school closed to pupils	
Monday 15 September	FOMS Meeting	2.30pm in staffroom
Tuesday 16 - Tuesday 23 September	Scholastic Book Fair - open every day after school in Rainbow Room	3.15 - 3.45pm
Wednesday 1 October	FOMS Annual General Meeting	2.30pm
Friday 3 October	Macmillan Coffee Morning - give generously to support this charity and come in and see your child's new class base	9.00 - 10.00am
Tuesday 7 October	Special Harvest Festival School Lunch	
Wednesday 8 October	Harvest - can your child bring in some produce for our Harvest Festival? - service <u>for children only</u> at 2.20pm. Doors open for parents and friends to buy produce at 2.45pm	2.45pm - produce on sale
Thursday 16 October	Some pupils involved in Hayling Schools' Food Festival	Further details will be given to those involved
Tuesday 21 October	Yellow School photographer to take individual photos	During morning
Friday 24 October	Non pupil day - school closed to pupils	
Monday 3 November	You are invited to a 'Reading Workshop' showing how you can support your child's development	Hall 6.00pm
Week Commencing 10 November	Parent / Teacher consultations A 10 minute slot to discuss how your child is settling into the term and the progress expected	Please look out for the list showing when your child's class teacher will be available
Monday 24 November	M & M Productions present Robin Hood	Afternoon - School Hall
Week Commencing 8 December	Year R Production for their parents Tuesday 9 December - afternoon Wednesday 10 December - morning Thursday 11 December - afternoon	Times to be advised
Tuesday 16 December	Special Christmas School Lunch	
Wednesday 17 December	Christmas Parties	
Thursday 18 December	Carol Service	Time and venue to be advised
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21 January - evening	You are invited to a 'Maths Workshop' - covering how maths is taught in school and integrated with other subjects and how you can help your child at home	Time and venue to be advised
Monday 23 February	Non Pupil Day - school closed to pupils	
26 February	Yellow School photographer to take class photos	During morning
Week Commencing 30 March	KS1 Production for their parents	Times to be advised
Monday 1 June	Non Pupil Day - school closed to pupils	
Week Commencing 8 June	Art & Environment Week	
Tuesday 7 July - morning	Sports Day	
Friday 10 July	Year 2 Leavers' Picnic and evening BBQ	
Wed 15 - Friday 17 July	Year 2 Residential Visit to Minstead	
Wednesday 22 July	Non Pupil Day - school closed to pupils	