

NEWSLETTER 21

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BFG & WILD THINGS ANCIENT GREEK DAY

On Tuesday Wild Things and BFG classes dressed up as Ancient Greek slaves, Gods, Goddesses, heroes and mythical beasts to celebrate the end of their adventure into Life in Ancient Greece. Please visit our [Ancient Greek day event](#) on our website for the gallery of photos and more information about the day.

SWIMMING ELMER CLASS

School swimming lessons for Elmer Class commence on Wednesday 27th February 2019. Your child will receive 6 lessons over a six-week period and will travel to [Creative Aquatic](#), Tytherington by coach and be taught in small groups by qualified swimming instructors. At a cost of **£4.65 per child per session these lessons represent excellent value for money**. Your voluntary contribution really makes a difference, please make your contribution via your [ParentPay](#) account.

Please find a swimming information sheet your child's class on the website.

<http://www.rodeandnortonschoolfederation.co.uk/parents/swimming-2/>

As the school approaches the end of the financial year payment of overlooked swimming contributions for BFG, Wild Things and Paddington Classes would be very much appreciated. Current outstanding contributions are:

BFG **£139.50**

Wild Things **£195.30**

Paddington **£334.80**

INSTALLATION OF OUTSIDE PLAY EQUIPMENT

The Federation have been working with a Landscape Architect from the Local Authority Grounds and Landscape Team on a grounds improvement plan for both sites. Phase 1 of the development will commence at Rode during half term with the installation of new outdoor play equipment, removal of invasive bamboo plants and installation an all-weather surface around the sandpit. Contractors will be on site for **two weeks** commencing Monday 18th February.

PADDINGTON CLASS LEGO MOVIE 2 - TUESDAY 26TH FEBRUARY

To celebrate the fabulous space ships the children created for Emmet last week the Paddington team are very excited to announce a trip to see the film "Lego Movie 2" on Tuesday 26th February, to see whether Emmet actually manages to save Lucy! [Westway Cinema](#) have kindly agreed to give us a private screening in the morning. The children will travel by coach accompanied by Mrs Vowell, Mrs Duncan, Mrs Jefferys, Mrs

Tarbrooke and Mrs Rodford to Frome Cinema for the film showing and return for normal lunch arrangements. Children will need to wear school uniform and take their named water bottle with them. No spending money is required. In the afternoon we will be artists creating Space art inspired by the film.

The cost of the coach will be covered by the Paddington Class Makery Challenge income but Parents/carers are asked to make a voluntary contribution of £4 per child for the Cinema ticket via their ParentPay account.

PRIMARYFEST 2019 DANCE AND DRAMA EVENT

14th March 2019

Elmer and Wild Things Classes will be involved in a night of dance, drama, poetry and creativity at the Merlin Theatre, Frome. Please see the letter sent home in Friday book bags or visit the [website event](#) for more information.

Tickets are available for you to buy from The Merlin Theatre website via

<http://www.merlintheatre.co.uk/whats-on/performances/inspired-primaryfest-2019/>

A LONG TIME AGO IN A LAND FAR, FAR, AWAY CAME THE GREAT 2019 EGG CHALLENGE!

Yes it's that time of the year again! We are delighted to launch our Egg Challenge 2019. Every year we challenge our children to create a contraption to transport or hold an egg. In the last weeks of term we invite our parents and community into school to enjoy the spectacle of the contraptions and to celebrate all the inevitable successes and disasters!! As many of you know this is a special event for us all!

This year your child's challenge (with a little help from yourselves!) is simply to use an egg and a shoe box to illustrate a land or time Far, Far, Away. In addition you must attempt to include a moving part or mechanism to move the egg within the shoe box!

Within each age group eggstraordinary prizes will be awarded to those children who show the most creativity and 'out-of-the-box thinking'.

REMEMBER: Eggs MUST either be hard-boiled or blown, not raw and all boxes MUST be clearly labelled with your child's name!!

- All egg contraptions for Elmer Class and Gruffalo Class should be brought into the Hall at Norton St Philip School on Friday 5th April. Anyone travelling on the bus, who can't carry their contraption should leave it at Rode for safe transportation by staff.
- All egg contraptions for Paddington Class, Wild Things Class and BFG Class should be brought into the Hall at Rode School on Friday 29th March. We hope all Y2s, Y3s and Y4s will be able to carry their contraptions safely themselves! If in doubt please contact your teachers.

All entries will be on display for everyone to see during our Eggshibitions on the afternoon of 5th April at NSP and 29th March at Rode for you all to admire and enjoy.

If you have any questions or queries please ask your children's class teacher or drop in and ask me! Happy designing and making and we'll all live happily ever after! Mrs Tommey

SAVE THE DATE – ‘KurryOke’ - FRIDAY 22ND MARCH

Come and sample some Indian cuisine and release your inner Pop Star at Rode’s first KurryOke on 22nd March, 7.30pm at Rode Memorial Hall – More information to follow.

All funds raised will be in aid of FRANS.

Thank you

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EVENT DATES

Please check the school website for all future calendar dates including; Easter - Egg Challenge, Parent Consultations, Sports Day, Our Carnival and Leavers’ Celebrations:

<http://www.rodeandnortonschoolfederation.co.uk/calendar/>

COMMUNITY NEWS

Please find information on the following community events on our Community page on the website

<http://www.rodeandnortonschoolfederation.co.uk/parents/community-news/>

- [Somerset Coalfield Life at Radstock Museum](#) – half term activities
- [Rook Lane Arts Trust](#) – Saturday 23rd February at Frome Museum to mark John Webb Singer’s 200th birthday.
- [Beckington Tennis Association Quorn Family Cup](#) event Sunday 31 March 2019.
- **Band in a Barn 2019** will take place Saturday 22nd June - more details to be released soon! www.facebook.com/bandinabarnnsp
- [Cedars Hall, Wells](#) – Wild Words fun family event on Saturday 23 February
- [Black Swan Arts](#) – Young Art Exhibition - a fantastic competition for young people aged between 8 and 19 years
- [Frome Children’s Festival](#) – half term activities
- [Norton St Philip Church](#) – Free Wildflower Seed Bomb Workshop at half term
- Think Football Coaching – February half term football fun with Martin Phillips
- Wildcats – Girls Football at [Frome Town Youth FC](#)
- Rode [Explorer Scouts](#) fund raisers – Kenya 2019 prize draw