

NEWSLETTER 24

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FROME DANCEFEST 2019

Last night children from Elmer Class and Wild Things Class achieved one of our *15 Things to do before you're 9 ¾* when they really did "Dance like Everyone's watching." (see our website for the other 14 things to do!)

Elmer Class were the youngest to perform but this didn't stop them from taking to the stage at the Merlin Theatre in Frome with great confidence and enthusiasm. Their version of Singing in the Rain enthralled and enchanted the whole audience. They twirled and wiggled to the music with great gusto, clearly enjoying every minute.

Wild Things Class choreographed a sequence from the 1920s to current day which brought the house down- definitely the loudest cheers and whoops of the night! They were amazing, with fabulous rhythm and style, eye-catching costumes and smiles from ear to ear.

Very well done to everyone involved, you were a real credit to our Federation. Mrs Tommey

SWIMMING

Many of you will be aware of the recent publicity regarding Creative Aquatic at Tytherington. I am writing to inform you that our swimming lessons will be suspended until our Governing Board are able to make an informed decision on the future of our swimming provision when they meet at the end of March. Mrs Tommey

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

We launched our annual Egg Challenge in Newsletter 21 on 15th February but we thought with only two weeks to go for Paddington, Wild Things and BFG classes and three weeks to go for Elmer and Gruffalo classes we thought you might like a few reminders.....

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! Mrs Tommey.

EVENT DATES

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

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

FRANS NEWS

Don't forget to sponsor everybody who is putting in the effort to complete a challenge.

Visit givey.com and search for Friends of Rode School.

<https://www.givey.com/friendsofrodeschool>

Easter Extravaganza

Start the Easter weekend with a swing! Plans are in the pipeline for a fantastic afternoon in Norton St. Philip on **Saturday April 20th** from 1pm. Save the date and grab a ticket for our Easter Trail with a special visitor, bouncy castle, food, Prosecco bar, welly wanging, The Farmers Tug of War, Easter Bonnet Competition and Parade and lots more. Search for our event on eventbrite.co.uk

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/>

- **The Link Parish Magazine** - our new subscription year starts 1st April 2019, still only £8 to get the magazine hand delivered to your address for a whole year if you live in Rode, Tellisford, Woolverton or Farleigh Hungerford! Keep up to date with topical news, events and other useful info about our local community.
- **Rode Chapel** – Spring 50/50 Sale – Saturday 27th April
- **Band in a Barn 2019** will take place Saturday 22nd June - more details to be released soon! www.facebook.com/bandinabarnnsp
- **Wildcats** – Girls Football at [Frome Town Youth FC](http://www.frometownyouthfc.co.uk)
- **Rode Explorer Scouts** fund raisers – Kenya 2019 prize draw