NEWSLETTER 06
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LIBRARIANS ASSEMBLE!

Thank you to all the Year 4 children who applied to be a librarian at Rode. We have chosen 6 to begin with and they have begun their intensive training schedule! Imelda is Head Librarian and Ella is Vice Librarian. Isla, Molly, Madeleine, and Eliza will assist them.
We are still very keen to find one or two adults who could help to run the library following on from the great job Esther Perkin did last year. If you or a grandparent have any time to spare and would be interested in sharing a love of books, then please get in touch with Mrs Muxworthy.
Katie White has very kindly offered to be our librarian at Norton.

HARVEST BAKE OFF!

This year's Harvest Festivals are taking place on **October 23rd.** We would like to invite the children to bring in donations of food, which we will pass on to a local food bank. Please see this webpage for more information. Fair Frome's food bank welcomes all non-perishable food, as everything is low currently, but they are most in need :- of tinned fish, sauces for rice, tinned vegetables, biscuits, coffee, soup, tinned snacks, juice, milk and toiletries.

FRANS will be serving refreshments at these events and we will be holding our very own '**Bake Off**". We would like to challenge parents to bake 'Secret Vegetable Cakes' and bring them into school on the day. Who knows, Mary Berry herself may pop along to help with the judging!

HARVEST DATES

Paddington, Wild Things & BFG- 23rd October @9.30am - Rode School
Elmer & Gruffalo- 23rd October @ 2.30pm - NSP School

PADDINGTON CLASS PE FESTIVAL

Paddington Class will be visiting Oakfield Academy to take part in a PE Festival taking place on Thursday 17th October 2019 starting at 10am and ending at 11.30am. Mrs Opie, Miss Armiger and Mrs Davis will accompany the children and they will be transported in the school minibus.
The children need to come to school in their school PE Kit. Please ensure they have a waterproof jacket in case of wet weather and a water bottle.

BFG CLASS STRIKING & FIELDING PE FESTIVAL

BFG children will be visiting Selwood Academy to take part in a Striking and Fielding PE Festival taking place on Wednesday 23rd October starting at 1:30pm and ending at 2:45pm.

Mrs Slade, Mrs Morgan and Mrs Davis will accompany the children and they will be transported by coach. The children need to come to school in their school PE Kit. Please ensure they have a waterproof jacket in case of wet weather and a water bottle.

FRANS NEWS

As you may know all parents are automatically members of 'Friends of Rode and Norton School', our PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association).
We have had a very lucrative year of fundraising and fun and are looking forward to building on this further in the coming year. Our committee meetings are good fun, usually held in a pub and a good way of getting to know people. Our AGM is on **Wednesday October 23rd at 7.30pm** at NSP School. You can involve yourself occasionally, regularly or take on a committee role. We welcome new ideas, skills, enthusiasm and extra pairs of hands. We have some great events planned including a Horrible Histories Trail, Pop-up Pop Party, Santa Dash, Barn Dance and Festival. New ideas welcomed. Please come along and get involved.
Team FRANS.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

The school photographer will be taking individual school photographs of children for you to purchase on Tuesday 5th November for Gruffalo and Elmer Classes and on Thursday 7th November for Paddington, Wild Things and BFG Classes.
The photographer has kindly agreed to stay at both sites at the end of the school day and wait until the last minibus arrives, for parents to have siblings photographed together. Please let us know if you wish to make use of this service for sibling photographs.

PARENT CONSULTATION EVENINGS

Parent consultations this term will focus on reviewing your child's progress so far, setting learning targets and identifying how you can support your child in the months ahead. As detailed on our website calendar, dates and timings are as follows:

Wednesday 6th November 3:30 – 7:15pm, or
Wednesday 13th November 3:30 – 7:15pm

- Gruffalo Class with Mrs Muxworthy at Norton St Philip
- Elmer Class with Mrs Philips Norton St Philip
- Paddington Class with Mrs Duncan & Mrs Opie at Rode
- Wild Things Class with Miss Anderson and Mrs Vowell at Rode
- BFG Class with Mrs Slade at Rode

To book a Parent Consultation meeting with your child's teacher please sign up on the appointments list outside your child's classroom. If you are unable to do so, please telephone either school office for appointment availability.
Your appointment will be for 15 minutes and should any additional time be required, alternative arrangements will be made.

SPEAK OUT. STAY SAFE - *Reminder*

As you know, the NSPCC visited Rode last week and delivered their Speak out. Stay safe. assembly to share information with your child about how they can keep themselves safe from harm and get help if they have any worries.

The NSPCC will also be sharing their important message with Elmer Class on Tuesday 15th October.

ALDI KIT FOR SCHOOLS

We are taking part in Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion. For every £30 you spend at Aldi, you will receive a sticker of an athlete. Please drop these into the office on either site or pass to Mrs Davis, who will add them to our collection.

Every school who completes their Aldi's Kit for Schools poster with all 300 stickers will receive an exclusive school sports kit! Schools also have the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school.

Let's get collecting!

STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2020 - OPEN DAYS

Details of our open days for prospective parents with children starting school in September 2020 can be found on our website http://www.rodeandnortonschoolfederation.co.uk/join-us/school-admissions/. Please spread the word about our wonderful schools.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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

Our community page here.

- **NEW! Junior Street Jazz** *Tri-Art Dance Class for ages 8 – 13 more details here*
- Half Term Family Drop In Workshop - St. Philip and St. James Parish Church, Norton St. Philip – all the information here.
- October Half Term fun football sessions with Martin Phillips
- GET Sported and GET Serious Cricket camp ***This October Half Term*** more information here
- Drop in to Rode Chapel for Stephanie's Hatha **Yoga class** from 9.30-10.45am. More detail here
- Freshford United Y.F C- Players wanted – More information here