

NEWSLETTER 11

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STEPPING INTO THE STONE AGE AT CARYMOOR ENVIRONMENTAL CENTRE!

Wow, what an amazing day we had last Tuesday at the Carymoor Environmental Centre! Please read all about it [here!](#)

Unfortunately, there are still £229.50 worth of voluntary contributions outstanding towards this trip. With limited funds available within the school budget, this shortfall has to be found from money allocated to provide teaching resources within the classroom and it will be impossible to support another school trip with this level of shortfall. If you have overlooked your contribution, we would be extremely grateful if you would make payment as soon as possible via your ParentPay account. Thank you for your continued support.

365 MILES FOR WHY - *reminder*

Sarah Davis, PE Lead, has arranged for local fundraiser and finalist in the Pride of Britain Awards, Rachel Clark, to come to Rode and complete a daily mile with us on **Tuesday 26th November**. As some of you will know, Rachel is marking the 25th anniversary of cancer counselling charity, We Hear You (WHY), by running a mile a day for a year. Rachel will join us for a whole school assembly at 1:30pm after which all children and staff will run, with Rachel, around our daily mile route in our school grounds. Rachel would be delighted to receive any voluntary donations for this worthwhile cause. <https://www.365forwhy.co.uk>

TO NATIVITY AND BEYOND

Sound, camera, action! Filming has begun for our cracking Christmas spectacular entitled 'To Nativity and Beyond'. All your children, from Gruffalo to BFG are the stars of the show. The World Première will be held at the **Merlin Theatre** in Frome on **Tuesday 17th December at 5.30pm and 6.30pm**. Tickets will go on sale via the Merlin Theatre website towards the end of this month, date to be confirmed. Please note that we will need to make a charge for tickets in order to cover some of our costs.

INFECTION CONTROL IN SCHOOL – IMPORTANT INFORMATION

There are members of our school community who are particularly vulnerable to serious health complications from contracting a diarrhoea or sickness illness. It is therefore important that **all** our school community follow the Guidance on Infection Control in Schools by the Health Protection Agency. If your child is suffering from a diarrhoea and/or sickness illness they **must** remain absent from school for **48 hours** from the **last episode of diarrhoea or sickness**. Thank you for your support.

WHAT ARE WE LEARNING.....

Class Mindmaps for our whole school curriculum topic 'Terrific Time Travellers' can be found by visiting our website Mindmap page [here](#).

FRANS News

Horrible Histories Trail

Many thanks to the amazing families that worked so hard putting together models for our trail and those that came along and completed the trail. The votes have been counted and verified and we can reveal that the Nation's Favourite Scarecrows were...drum roll...: First Place- The Holder's Guy Fawkes. Second Place Jig Cochrane's Donald Trump. Third Place The Hall family's Simon Cowell. Many thanks to all the makers who stayed up late gluing things into place. We had many compliments about the models and the trail in general. The ones that caught everyone out were 'Vlad the Impaler', Boudicca, Neil Armstrong and Ann Boleyn. Winner of the Horrible Histories book in the Prize draw was The Meenan family. Runners-up were The McPherson Family and Annie Ellis.

Pop-Up Pop Crawl- Tonight!!

This is one for the adults! **Friday November 22nd 8-11pm**, starting at Rode Village Hall. We've got a fantastic fun evening lined up. Move around the village in large groups dropping in at the four mystery house venues themed for BritPop, Disco, Rock and Ibiza!! Try the themed house cocktail or stick to your ordinary tippie. All return to the 'Club' (Village Hall) for drinks and dancing with our resident DJ JW. If you haven't danced in a village hall for several years...now's your chance. It's going to be brilliant! Tickets available on Eventbrite or on the door: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-rode-pop-up-pop-crawl-tickets-74671766263>

Save the Date

December 15th: 10am **Santa Dash** for Families (joined by Sergeant Rachel Clark running 365 miles for WHY, We Hear You, Cancer Counselling)
December 19th: 3pm **Santa's Grotto** at NSP
Team FRANS.

AMAZON SMILE

Christmas is coming and many of us will be using Amazon to make purchases at this time of year. FRANS has signed up to Amazon Smile. If your Amazon account is linked to FRANS, every time you make a purchase on Amazon (website or the app), Amazon donate 0.5% of the net purchase price to FRANS!

Go to <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1070284-0> and login to your account to choose FRANS as your chosen charity.

MILL ON THE BRUE 2020.

The final instalment of £230.70 is now available to pay on your ParentPay account. The deadline for receipt is **20th January 2020**.

The system will accept payment in instalments between now and the 20th January 2020.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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

Our community page [here](#).

- [Rode Chapel](#): - Amazingly it's nearly that time of year again, when Rode Chapel hold their Christmas Bazaar! It all happens on **23rd November** from **10 – 2**. £1 per adult buys entry and a hot drink. More details of stall holders and activities [here](#)
- **NEW! Junior Street Jazz Tri-Art Dance Class for ages 8 – 13** more details [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](#)