

SEPTEMBER OPENING AND FEDERATION TRANSITION ARRANGEMENTS

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STAR HOME-LEARNERS AWARDS

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REPORTS 2020

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PLACES STILL AVAILABLE IN RECEPTION FOR SEPTEMBER

Do you know someone who is looking for a place for their child or children in September? If you do please tell them all about our fantastic, creative and forward thinking Federation of Schools at Rode and Norton St Philip as we still have a few places available.

INSET DAYS

Both our schools will be closed for all pupils on the following INSET Days:

Friday 17th July 2020
Monday 20th July 2020
Thursday 3rd September 2020
Friday 4th September 2020

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

We will not be providing care during the Summer holidays but I am happy to inform you that Ian Groves will be hosting a holiday club at Selwood school every day. Please see contact details below.

IG SPORTS COACHING

IG Sports Coaching will be hosting a holiday club at Selwood Academy **every day** during the school holidays. You can book through their website www.igsportscoaching.co.uk.

SAFEGUARDING

If you have a safeguarding concern during this period of closure please contact one of our Safeguarding Team:

Mrs Muxworthy gmuxworthy@educ.somerset.gov.uk,

Mrs Slade kslade@educ.somerset.gov.uk or

Mrs Tommey ctommey@educ.somerset.gov.uk.

Or telephone the school office at Rode on 01373 830523.

Best wishes,

Carolyn Tommey

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COMMUNITY NEWS:

FROME LEARNING PARTNERSHIP VACANCY

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CHARITY TREASURE HUNT

RODE AND NORTON ST PHILIP SCHOOL FEDERATION: NEWSLETTER 35

3rd July 2020

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Calling all adventurers and treasure hunters! Do you have what it takes to complete the challenges and find the treasure?

Created by a staff member's daughter-in-law this fun treasure hunt is raising money for the Bath based charity, Julian House (which provides accommodation for the homeless and supports the most vulnerable in our communities). Donations are optional.

[Click here](#) to start your Treasure Map Adventure.