



Newsletter 17th January 2025

Dear Rumboldswyke families,

One of our Year 6's asked me if my job was hard this week. I asked them why they asked this. They said they thought the job of a teacher was hard as there was so much to do: planning, supporting children who are struggling, phone calls, emails, etc. I said it was hard at times but the joy and inspiration from others is what makes it one of the best jobs in the world. One of these precious moments came on Wednesday evening. Our Year 5/6 class were invited to join in with a choir collaboration (United Voices) with the Chichester locality of schools.

380 children, from across the Chichester locality came together in the Chichester Festival Theatre to sing collaboratively. The choir was led by Emily Barden, composer and choral director, whose passion and enthusiasm was electric. I think all the adults and children were in awe of Emily, what an inspirational human she is!



The event was such a success and I was so proud of our Rumboldswyke crew. They were awesome! The song they shared with Kingsham School 'Hey Mr Miller' was an instant crowd pleaser and they received a huge cheer and round of applause. A huge thanks to the children, their families and Mr Dickin, Miss Pattinson, Mrs Baker and Mrs Roberts for supporting the children over the past couple of months to learn the songs.

Rumboldswyke family news.....

We are absolutely delighted to announce there will be another addition to the Rumboldswyke baby family this summer. Mr & Mrs Farrelly are expecting their first baby in June – many congratulations and we look forward to sharing their journey into parenthood!

Mrs Farrelly's maternity leave dates are yet to be confirmed, we will inform the class parents as soon as they are. A job advert to cover Mrs Farrelly whilst she is on maternity leave will be posted soon.



Upcoming events:

Don't forget we have our next **INSET** day on Thursday 30th January.

The following week, 3rd – 7th February our year 6 children will be participating in the Bikeability Programme. Parents, please keep an eye out for emails with further information.



Blue & Yellow Class Gallery session

On Monday, 10th February, Blue & Yellow Class will be holding a gallery, showcasing some of their learning so far this term. Parents are invited to come and see their children's work after school at 3:15pm.



Reminder:

Just a reminder that if you child is going to be absent from school, please ensure you email or call the school office each day they won't be in to let us know.

Parent helper needed for Year 3 swimming lessons:

We are still looking for another parent helper to assist with transport for our year 3 swimming lessons on a Monday morning.

Due to pupil numbers, the children unfortunately do not quite fit into one minibus. As a result, we are looking for another parent helper to share the job of helping to take 4 children in their car to and from their swimming lessons at the Westgate Leisure Centre on a Monday morning. This would require leaving school at 9am and returning with the children back at school by 11am. We already have one parent who has been kindly helping, but they are unable to do this every





week this term due to work commitments.

In order to assist us, the parent will need to be DBS checked and have a suitable car with up to date MOT, insurance and driver's licence.

If anyone is able to help, we would be very grateful and would ask that you contact the school office as soon as possible.

With warmest wishes,
Lisa Harris



January 2025

20 th Jan	Yr 3 Swimming
21 st Jan	Multi-Sports Club (Yrs 1 – 3)
22 nd Jan	Dance Club
	Football Club (Yrs 4 – 6)
23 rd Jan	Football Club (Yrs 1 – 3)
27 th Jan	Yr 3 Swimming
28 th Jan	Dance Club
29 th Jan	Football Club (Yrs 4 – 6)
30 th Jan	INSET Day

February 2025

3 rd - 7 th Feb	Bikeability (Yr 6 only)
3 rd Feb	Yr 3 Swimming
4 th Feb	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
5 th Feb	Football Club (Yr 4-6)
6 th Feb	Football Club (Yr 1-3)
10 th Feb	Yr 3 Swimming
	Blue & Yellow Class Gallery event (3:15pm)
11 th Feb	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)

12 th Feb	Football Club (Yr 4-6)
	Dance Club
13 th Feb	Football Club (Yr 1-3)
17 th – 21 st Feb	Half Term Break
25 th Feb	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
26 th Feb	Football Club (Yr 4-6)
	Dance Club
27 th Feb	Football Club (Yr 1-3)

March 2025

3 rd March	Yr 3 Swimming
4 th March	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
5 th March	Football Club (Yr 4-6)
	Dance Club
6 th March	Football Club (Yr 1-3)
10 th March	Yellow Class Trip (more details to follow)
	Yr 3 Swimming
11 th March	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
12 th March	Football Club (Yr 4-6)
	Dance Club
13 th March	Football Club (Yr 1-3)
17 th March	Yr 3 Swimming
18 th March	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
19 th March	Football Club (Yr 4-6)
	Dance Club
20 th March	Football Club (Yr 1-3)
24 th March	Yr 3 Swimming
25 th March	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
26 th March	Football Club (Yr 4-6)
	Dance Club
26 th – 29 th March	Year 5&6 Residential @ Cobnor Activity Centre
27 th March	Football Club (Yr 1-3)
31 st March	Blue Class Trip (more details to follow)
	Yr 3 Swimming

April 2025

1 st April	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
2 nd April	Football Club (Yr 4-6)
	Dance Club
3 rd April	Football Club (Yr 1-3)
7 th – 18 th April	Easter Holidays
21 st April	Easter Monday (School closed)
22 nd April	1 st Day back for Summer Term



Term Dates

Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2nd September – Friday 20th December
Half Term - Monday 28th – Friday 1st November

INSET Day Monday 2nd September – children not in school

Children's first day of school will be Tuesday 3rd September

INSET Day Monday 21st October – children not in school

Spring Term 2025

Monday 6th January – Friday 4th April
Half Term – Monday 17th – Friday 21st February

INSET Day Monday 6th January – children not in school

INSET Day Thursday 30th January – children not in school

Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22nd April – Tuesday 22nd July
Half Term – Monday 26th – Friday 30th May

Please note we are still in the process of organising the remaining INSET day for this academic year and will share this date with you as soon as we can.