



Newsletter 5: Friday 8th October 2021

### A message from the Executive Headteacher

It was lovely to see so many parents and family members at our Harvest Festival last Friday. After almost two years, it was such a welcome return of our church services. We can now, hopefully, look forward to our Christmas schedule with further excitement.

This week, the Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Teams travelled to Scott Primary School to participate in a tournament against a number of other local schools. I was lucky to be able to attend with them and was most impressed with their attitude, behaviour and sportsmanship. Although (officially) there was no score being kept, I would very much like to report that our teams won the majority of their games.

As you know, we have had to implement our Management Plan for COVID due to a number of cases in one of our classes. Whilst this won't affect the majority of other children, it does remind us that we must still be cautious. It is also very challenging for everyone as there are lots of children suffering with autumnal coughs and colds as well.

After half term, we will be holding our Parents Evenings for the Autumn Term on Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th November. Please look out for a letter in the near future.

I appreciate the impact of the challenges we are currently facing in school but I still see smiley faces every day and would like to thank you for your continued support.

### Dates for your diaries

- Friday 22nd October: Last day of half term
- Monday 1st November: Staff INSET
- Tuesday 2nd November: PTA Meeting (7.30pm)
- Monday 8th November: Parents Evening
- Tuesday 9th November: Parents Evening
- Thursday 11th November: Remembrance Assembly
- Sunday 12th December: Riseley Christmas Fayre
- Wednesday 15th December: Parent Forum 9am

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### Riseley PTA

I was able to meet with the very dedicated group of parents who are the current members of the PTA on Wednesday evening this week.

We discussed a whole range of potential events that we would very much like to be able to organise for Christmas and into the new year.

I would like to put out a plea on their behalf for new members, especially from our new parents in Reception and Nursery. The next meeting is taking place on Tuesday 2nd November at 7.30pm at The St Johns Arms in Melchbourne.

We have so many exciting plans for 2022 including a Year 6 Prom and Colour Run just to mention two but we need a larger number of volunteers to help. Remember that these hardworking parents are trying to raise money for the school as well as provide the community events that schools rely on to support them.

So, if you think you can help in any way, please get in touch with the school and we can put your name forward to the PTA team to have a chat with you about their plans.

### Christmas Pantomime

The school booked tickets for Jack and the Beanstalk in 2020 but the performance was cancelled. We have those tickets available for the children in Years 3-6 this year. The performance is on Thursday 16th December at 1pm.