## Rodmersham School Newsletter Issue 10 May 21st 2021

## School will closed on Monday June 7th for Staff Development Day

Welcome to the Newsletter for this fortnight,

I have everything crossed that the weather takes a turn for the better soon, as we have so many lovely things planned for the next term which are weather dependent! The return of forest school is a very welcomed one; the children absolutely love forest school. From building dens, to resting in the hammock, making smores or climbing trees! We are so lucky to have this facility on site. The staff will be in touch in the coming weeks to share more details and arrangements with you all as every class will be accessing this in the coming term, except for Year 4 who are off to the Wild Estuary at Milton Creek. Mrs Phillips will be in touch shortly with more details about what they will be up to and what they will need.

Mr Doran, is also working with the children on achieving a Bronze mark with the Wildlife Trust; they have been looking at making a meadow and bug hotels. Now we just need the weather!

Parent Consultations take place on Wednesday, and during these the staff will share with you how your child/children have settled back into school, how well they are doing and how we are addressing gaps in learning. In the last few weeks, we have been collating information from assessments and know where, as a school our priorities will be going forwards and it is the area of 'writing' that will be our area of focus over the coming year. However, I would like to add that I am incredibly proud and pleased to share that the gaps in learning are not significant, regardless of what we were led to believe. This, is undoubtedly down to the hard work of the whole school community during lockdown.

A polite reminder that we close at 1pm on Wednesday, and children will need to be collected at this time. Thank you

This Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May is International Children Day and there are many ways in which schools are acknowledging and celebrating this. We, have decided this is the perfect opportunity to have a giant birthday party to commemorate all of those that have had at least one, and in some cases, two, lockdown birthdays. Children can come to school on their on clothes on Friday and

Thank you so much to everyone that has contributed to our Amazon wish list to date... should you want to pass it to family and friends here it is again!

https://amzn.eu/i2DveoL

I will send out more information in the week, I hope to have some activities outside if only the sun would make an appearance!

We are in the process of finalising the arrangements for some after school clubs after half term, I will forward details to you shortly. We also have a dance club starting at lunch times which I also know the children will love!

## Dates to note:

Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1 Swimming	Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term Break Starts
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 – Safety in Action – streamed live	Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Staff Development Day School Closed
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Parent Consultations	Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> June	School starts
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Class 3 can return from isolation (depending on individual COVID negative)	Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 to the Wild Estuary
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Birthday Party Day!	Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 Swimming

Summer 2 term begins	Summer term ends	
Tuesday June 8th	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	