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**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

Dear parents and carers,

We hope this letter finds you and your families all well, having had a good half term break. We look forward to the final term ahead. This promises to be the busiest of times with lots of traditional and additional events – many of which will be opportunities for parents to access school and be involved with the pupils.

### Calendar

Please can we ask that you refer regularly to the calendar on the school website for the full list of dates and events. Here is a reminder of the key events this term to add to your own calendars.

- Rusper Village Queen's Jubilee Celebration in Rusper Village – **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June (today)**
- PGL Parents Meeting – **3:45 Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June in Hobbit Pegasus Classroom**
- INSET (School Closed) – **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June**
- Rusper 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration fortnight w/c **27<sup>th</sup> June** and **4<sup>th</sup> July**
- Sports Afternoon Friday **1<sup>st</sup> July**
- Rusper Victorian School Day **(Victorian Dress Up) 4<sup>th</sup> July**
- Rusper School 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday Fete - **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July**
- The Horsham Parade Sunday – **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**
- Transition Day in School **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July**
- School reports out **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July**
- Y6 leaver's Barbecue **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July**
- Y6 leaver's Assembly **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

### PE kits

Please can your child come to school in either their PE kit based on the timetable below. Please note as the temperature rises across the coming term, your child should wear school uniform PE kit only. On hot sunny days, caps are advised. If your child has a PE club on a day they don't have PE, they should bring their kit in a bag. Thank you.

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Gruffalo PE</b>	<b>Hobbit PE</b>	<b>Unicorn PE</b>	<b>Hobbit PE</b>
<b>Unicorn PE</b>	<b>Pegasus PE</b>		<b>Pegasus PE</b>

### Woodland Activities (Forest Schools)

There will be 2 sessions this term for every pupil in Hobbit class. Please can the selected children come to school in appropriate outdoor clothing on the dates below. Thank you.

<b>Mon 6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Thu 9<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Thu 16<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> June</b>
Y6	Y5	Y6	Y5



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### Parent Questionnaire

Many thanks to all parents who responded to the survey before half term. Your feedback is greatly appreciated. Governors have reviewed the responses and the comments and will be due to discuss these together at our upcoming meeting. As stated before, we are always keen to take parental feedback on board and address concerns and suggestions for improvement. All direct actions will be fed back to parents in due course.

One key matter that arose was parents requesting more information about school topics and events. Below are several key updates.

### Curriculum

Please can parents refer to the Curriculum tab on the school website. This is currently undergoing a major restructure, Right now you can find information about

- Our very own Rusper-specific curriculum aims (Curriculum Policy)
- An overview of topics for every term for every class (Long Term plans)
- Current focus for each class (termly Overviews) – Summer 2 will be available from 13<sup>th</sup> June
- Information about the way we teach specific subjects

### RPS 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Teachers and FORPS have been hard at work over the last few weeks to bring plans for a celebration together. Between 28<sup>th</sup> June and 8<sup>th</sup> July, children will be investigating what school was like for children during 1870s and 1880s. By studying reference materials and 1<sup>st</sup> hand sources (the original Head's Log book) we will be aiming to learn more about

- The original school curriculum
- School uniform
- What the teachers were like
- What playtime was like
- What the attitudes of the day were and how they compare with now
- What life was like in Rusper 150 years ago.

Lots of fascinating historical information about Rusper 150 years ago can be found on our website under the Curriculum tab, on the History page.

As part of our project we are keen to really immerse pupils in the past with a **Victorian School Day on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July**. For this we request pupils dress up in Victorian School clothes. A quick internet search will return images that will help with sourcing costumes.



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Please save **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July** in your diaries as there will be a special RPS fete to celebrate 150 years of the school. Events are provisionally planned as follows

<b>11:00</b>	<b>Fete open</b>
<b>11:10 – 12</b>	<b>Pupil Performances – Remembering the original pupils from 150 years ago</b>
<b>12 – 1</b>	<b>Band and Lunch</b>
<b>1 – 1:30</b>	<b>Huxley's Birds of Prey Display</b>
<b>1:30</b>	<b>RPS dance performance</b>

There will be stalls, refreshments and games throughout. More details and programmes to follow shortly.

### Relationships and Sex Education

As part of our Science and Personal, Social and Health Education, all pupils will be learning about age appropriate elements of Relationships and Sex Education later this term. A letter with full details will be sent out to parents later this week. There will be opportunities for parents to request to see resources or ask teachers specific questions ahead of the learning.

### Transition

In addition to the activities provided for Y6s with their Secondary Schools, there will be transition activities for all pupils throughout this term. Our key aim is to ensure pupils who may be moving classes are prepared carefully. Activities include opportunities to read with pupils in the year above, Sports Day and a Transition afternoon with new class.

### Notices

Please could we ask the following of all parents

- Dogs brought onto site must not be taken past the main school gates (at top of school drive). If parents need to go beyond these gates eg round to Gruffalo, we request that your dog be tied to the fence. Mr A or Mrs Wickens will always be there to keep an eye. Thank you
- Please can parents no longer bring in 2<sup>nd</sup> hand books – the school has too many and is working to update its book selection. Thank you for your kindness in the past and for your consideration in the future.

Please do contact the school if you would like to discuss any of these items further.

With kind regards

Nick Avey, Headteacher, Rusper Primary School



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