



# Rowhams St John's Church of England Primary School

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Love Joy and Responsibility

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# Newsletter

Welcome back to the final half-term of the school year. There will be lots of things happening over the next few weeks so please keep an eye out for emails containing useful information and additional diary dates. Please remember, all information that we send out can be found on our website.

The summer fair is only two weeks away – Friday, 23 June from 3.30- 5.00pm. We really need your help to make this event successful. Success being raising lots of money and everyone having a good time. There are lots of ways you can help.

Please let the office know if you can help on the day – there will be two slots for helping out 3.30-4.15pm or 4.15-5.00pm. Nearer to the time, a sign-up board will be put out on the playground but if you know you can help in advance, please let the office know.

You can also help by making donations for the bottle tombola (eg **new** bottles of wine, beer, spirits, coke, lemonade, bubble-bath, etc); toys and books, cakes and donations for the summertime hampers which will be raffled on the day – see suggestions on the next page. These items should be brought into school on the day of the fair and in return the children will have a dress down day.

The fair will be really exciting with lots of things going on. The biggest fund raiser (and probably the most fun) will be wet sponging Mrs K! Other things include a range of traditional fun games, a bouncy castle, pamper bar, refreshments, obstacle course, hamper raffle, choir performance and much, much more. Mr Woodford, our new headteacher from September will also be attending so you will get a chance to meet him then.

## DIARY DATES

Thurs 29th June—Sports  
Day

KS2—Morning

KS1—Afternoon

Family picnic on the field  
during lunchtime

## INSET DAYS

Monday 24th July

Tuesday 25th July

## **Making a difference**

Galatians 6:10 (NEW TESTA-  
MENT: LETTERS)

Let us not become tired of  
doing good, for if we do not  
give up, the time will come  
when we will reap the  
harvest.



After the success of our Christmas hamper raffle, we thought we would hold a Summertime hamper raffle at the summer fair. We need donations of things that might come in handy for a lovely summer holiday. Here are a few ideas:

Colouring books Pencils/crayons/pens Sudoku/crosswords/word search books Top Trump cards Books on the seaside, birds, forest Games for the beach Water pistols	BBQ things such as new jars of relishes, BBQ sauces, Citronella candles Fairy lights Kebab skewers Cans of Pimms, G&T, cocktails Cans/bottles of lager, beer, cider	Suncream / aftersun Moisturiser Hand/foot cream Shower gel/bubble bath Sunhats Fun sunglasses
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***We wanted to draw your attention to the dangers of ticks as a number of children have been bitten by them.***

### **BE TICK AWARE**

As we approach the time of year for school trips and visits, Hampshire Education and Inclusion and Public Health are strengthening advice to schools to be 'tick aware' whilst enjoying time outside and learning in the outdoors. Ticks are found in moist areas of dense vegetation or long grass in woodland, grassland, moorland, heathland and some urban parks and gardens. They can be found throughout the year, but are most active between spring and autumn. It is important that schools make sure staff, parents and schools are well aware of this. Please ensure your information about school visits is accompanied by information about ticks and Lyme Disease Dr Ruth Milton, Director of Public Health, said: "Ticks can transmit bacteria that cause diseases, such as Lyme disease, which can lead to very serious conditions if left untreated. Tick bites often go unnoticed, and the tick can remain feeding for several days before dropping off. The longer the tick is in place, the higher the risk of it passing on the infection Ticks can attach themselves to an animal or person as they brush by. The best way to avoid being bitten by ticks when you are in wooded or heath areas known to have a high tick population such as the New Forest is by:

- Keeping to footpaths and avoiding long grass when out walking
- Wearing appropriate clothing in tick-infested areas (a long-sleeve shirt and trousers tucked into your socks)
- Using insect repellents
- Making sure that ticks are not brought home on your clothes - wearing light coloured fabrics that may help you spot a tick on your clothes
- Inspecting your skin for ticks, particularly at the end of the day, including your head, neck and skin folds (armpits, groin, and waistband)
- Checking your children's head and neck areas, including their scalp (skin on top of their head) and checking that pets do not bring ticks into your home in their fur.

If you do get bitten by a tick, removing it quickly and correctly can help to reduce any potential risk.

Remove the tick as soon as possible

The only safe way to remove a tick is to use a pair of fine-tipped tweezers, or an easy to use device which can be purchased from all good retailers.

Grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible. Pull upwards slowly and firmly, as mouthparts left in the skin can cause a local infection

Once removed, apply antiseptic to the bite area and keep an eye on it for several weeks for any changes



**VALUE –JOY OF LEARNING**

**Miss Hill—** Bella M  
**Miss Robus—**Maisie G  
**Miss Ramsdale—**Advik B  
**Mrs Aldred/Mrs Johnson—**All of Yr 2  
**Mrs Hannam—**All of Yr 2  
**Miss Hogbin/Mrs Garrod —**Luke W  
**Mrs Phillips—** Alfie A  
**Mr Warner —**Ethan T  
**Miss Withers—**Alfie C  
**Miss White—**Mitchel F  
**Mrs Phelps?Miss Adams—**Loujayna E

**LEARNER**

**Miss Hill—** Thomas R  
**Miss Robus—** Shania M  
**Miss Ramsdale—**Sienna A  
**Mrs Aldred/Mrs Johnson—** All of Yr 2  
**Mrs Hannam—**All of Yr 2  
**Miss Hogbin/Mrs Garrod —**Oskar M  
**Mrs Phillips—** Alex E  
**Mr Warner —**Ashton B  
**Miss Withers—**Megan R  
**Miss White—**Declan S  
**Mrs Phelps?Miss Adams—**Louis M

**STAR READER**

**Miss Hill—**Lucian W  
**Miss Robus—** Archie B  
**Miss Ramsdale—**Mia C  
**Mrs Aldred/Mrs Johnson—**All of Yr 2  
**Mrs Hannam—**All of Yr 2  
**Miss Hogbin/Mrs Garrod —**Martha HC  
**Mrs Phillips—** Isabelle W  
**Mr Warner —**Bradley W  
**Miss Withers—**Daisy G  
**Miss White—**Mitchell F  
**Mrs Phelps?Miss Adams—**Ellie C

**DOJO CHAMPION**

**Miss Hill—** Ava H  
**Miss Robus—**Evie E  
**Miss Ramsdale—**Rocco S  
**Mrs Aldred/Mrs Johnson—**All of Yr 2  
**Mrs Hannam—**All of Yr 2  
**Miss Hogbin/Mrs Garrod —**Hollie B  
**Mrs Phillips—** Evie May W  
**Mr Warner —**Olivia S  
**Miss Withers—**Daisy G  
**Miss White—**Casey G  
**Mrs Phelps?Miss Adams—**Grace M

**LETTERS SENT HOME**

**Whole School—Sports Day Packed  
Lunch**  
**Whole School—NSPCC**

# Rownhams St John's Governor Newsletter

Summer 2017



Hello and welcome to the Summer newsletter from the Governors at Rownhams St John's CE Primary School. This time we find out about governor Danny Hyam, what the Pay and Personnel committee get up to and the most responsible job we have to do as Governors: choosing the next Headteacher to continue our journey of delivering the best education possible for the children here.

We hope this will enlighten you more about who we are and what we do for the school.

## *Selecting a new Headteacher...*

The job of selecting a new Headteacher for the school is arguably the most important job Governors have to do and it is no small undertaking. Between Mrs K announcing her retirement and the start of this term we produced a prospectus and an advert for our next headteacher, short-listed applicants and arranged a 2-day interview timetable for the first week of this term.

The Governors knew what we were looking for in a Headteacher, we wanted someone to continue the journey that Gwynne has started us on, someone who shares the school's ethos, vision and values and who has a passion for children's learning. We were fortunate to have an experienced panel of five Governors (three who interviewed Gwynne and two newer governors, both with previous interviewing experience) ably assisted by the Diocese and Educational experts. We shortlisted two great candidates who did well across both days (including an interview with a panel of 8) and it was a really tough decision to choose between them. As you know we selected Mr Tim Woodford. He has significant experience as a Headteacher, an amazing passion for learning and a clear alignment of his ethos and values with those of our school. He is already working closely with Governors and Staff to enable him to get up to speed so he can hit the ground running in September and make the transition as seamless as possible.

## *What is the Pay and Personnel committee?*

The main focus of this committee is to make sure the Headteacher is doing everything fairly, consistently and by the book concerning performance management, pay and staffing. We don't get to decide details like individual goals or pay, we just have to hold the Headteacher to account to make sure these things are in place.

The committee itself is becoming part of Resources (covered last time) so we will only have three committees to think about from now on.



## *Who's who?*

**Who:** Danny Hyam  
**Role:** Chair of Standards & Vice Chair of Governors



**Service:** 6 ¾ years

**What do you do outside of school?**  
Operations Manager at Ordnance Survey

**Why did you become a governor?** I am a natural volunteer so when an opportunity arose when my son was in Y1 (he is now Y7) I took the chance to get more involved in the school.

**Likes:** I carry a camera whenever we go out walking or exploring as my main pastime is landscape photography. I also follow the All Blacks (family in NZ), collect Lego (I'm a big kid), collect rocks (Geology background) and read a lot of history books.

## *Governors' Diary*

**May:**

18<sup>th</sup> – Resources

23<sup>rd</sup> – Full Governors

**June**

7<sup>th</sup> – Foundation

22<sup>nd</sup> – Pay & Personnel

**July**

11<sup>th</sup> – Standards

17<sup>th</sup> – Full Governors



That's about it for this time. So until the autumn, we hope you have a great term and a great summer!

The Governors

