



**WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU ALL
A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR.**



It has been a very festive this week at RSJP. It began with a wonderful Carols by Candlelight service and concluded with two special gatherings today.

On Monday, our school choirs put on a spectacular performance to a packed St John's church. There were some stand out performances from individual children who had the courage to sing solo and there was a special performance by our staff choir. Thank you to all the adults who helped organise this special event and thank you to Reverend Julian for inviting us to St John's.

Of our two events today, the first was our Carols Around the Christmas tree, which was also very well attended by many parents who joined in with the festive sing-song. There was lots of smiling, laughing and even some dancing! Great fun was had by all! The second event was our grand send off for Mrs Smith. All day Mrs Smith has been clawing through a range of Crystal Maze type challenges that were organised by each phase. The finale was organised by our Chair of Governors, Andrew Brown and this was topped with a special version of 'Jingle Bells'.

Yesterday, we had special send off and song for Mrs Alldred and Mrs Kinnis-Robson who are also leaving this term. I am sure you will join me again and wish these members of staff all the very best in their new chapters.

In the light of these staff changes there will be some new faces joining the team from January.

- Mr Peter Bowles, a formerly retired Year 5/6 teacher and Maths Subject Leader, will be taking our Year 3 and Year 5 mathematics lessons.
- Mrs Fiona Young will be teaching Year 2 on a Wednesday afternoon to cover Year 2's Planning. Fiona has many years' experience of teaching KS1 and Early Years.
- Mrs Mary Coates will be teaching Mrs Phillips' class on Tuesday afternoons and Thursday mornings. This is so Mrs Phillips can carry out her Acting Deputy Headteacher responsibilities.
- Mrs Dawn Potts and Mrs Jo Marchant will be leading Year 2 all day on Friday. Mrs Johnson will be teaching her class from Monday to Thursday and Mrs Hannam will be released from class to conduct her Acting Deputy Headteacher responsibilities on this day.
- Mrs Jo Marchant, as mentioned in an earlier newsletter, will be our new Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO).

We have tried to ensure a smooth transition for Mrs Smith's departure. Any questions, queries or concerns that would have normally been direct to Mrs Smith will, hopefully, be able to be answered by one of our team. You can contact the school office and they will be able to direct you to the appropriate person.

I wish you all a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year.

Love and best wishes to all,
Mr Tim Woodford

22nd December: Nativity

Luke 2:10-11 (NEW TESTAMENT: GOSPELS)

"I bring good news of great joy Today, in David's town, your Saviour was born!"

**FAREWELL TO MRS ALLDRED AND MRS KINNIS ROBSON
WISHING YOU THE VERY BEST OF LUCK FOR THE FUTURE**



KS1 Nativity 'A King is Born



Thank you to everyone for supporting our Nativity. We hope you enjoyed it. A huge thanks to the KS1 staff for their enthusiasm and creativity.

Mrs Smith's Sapphire Maze Challenge

Year 3/4 Karaoke



Goodbye Mrs Smith!

Dear all,

In the 26 years I have worked in education, Rownhams will always have a special place in my heart. Since I started working here in 2007 I have been lucky enough to work with so many children and their families. Starting at the tender age of 4 and leaving us at 11 ready to face secondary school, it is always lovely to hear what the children have achieved. Thank you Rownhams for giving me such special memories.

I want to thank you for all your good wishes and support over the years. I am looking forward to starting my new role in January-however I am going to miss you all. I will look forward to being invited back to see all the amazing things that happen at Rownhams!

Love & Blessings,
Jane Smith



May we politely remind parents that amendments and new dates are added to the calendar throughout the term so please always check the calendar regularly and ensure your home diary is correct. Our calendar dates are also available on line via our website, follow the link on our homepage. Thank you.

Date	Time	Year Group	Description
Thurs 4 Jan		Whole School	FIRST DAY OF TERM
Mon Jan 15, 22,29 Mon Feb 5	4-5pm	5-6	Football League (4 weeks)
Fri 26 Jan	1-4pm	5-6	Basketball Festival
Mon Feb 26 Mon Mar 5,12,19	4-5pm	5-6	Netball League (4 weeks)
Fri 23 March	1-4pm	5-6	Netball Festival
Mon 26 March	4-5pm	1-6	Cross Country Mountbatten School
Fri 30 March		Whole School	Last day of term - Easter Holiday
Mon 16 Apr		Whole School	First day of term

Emails/Texts/Letters Home

Copies are available in the office and on the website

<http://www.rownhams.hants.sch.uk/adults/letters/>

Day	Year Group	Letter Type	Description
Fri 15 Dec	Whole School	Letter	Pupil Premium
Weds 20 Dec	Specific Children	Text	School Photographs
Weds 20 Dec	Specific Children	Form	Year R Health check
Thurs 21 Dec	Year R & 6	Letter and leaflet	Height and Weight Measurements



Save the Children
**CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY**

THANK YOU

AS WELL AS HOLDING OUR CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY,
WE ALSO PUT ON AN ADDITIONAL NATIVITY
PERFORMANCE AND WITH COLLECTION AT
'CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT'
RAISED A TOTAL OF **£528.72**
A VERY WORTHY CAUSE.

FLU IMMUNISATION CATCH UP SESSION

We have been advised that Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust are able to offer a drop in catch up clinic on **Wednesday 27th December at Totton Health Centre (Health Education Room) from 14:00 to 15:00** for those children who were unwell, absent, or refused on the day they visited school. There is no need to make an appointment.

Southern Health Tel : 023 80 874537

POLITE REMINDER

Please ensure that the school office are kept informed of any changes to addresses, emergency contacts and contact numbers. We need to ensure our records are accurate at all times to enable us to contact you in an emergency.

Thank you for your co-operation.