

# Radnage Church of England VA Primary School

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## Newsletter 4

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Dear Families

Thank you to all the families who attended, baked for and supported our Macmillan Coffee morning last week. We raised just over £200 for this most worthy cause. A massive 'thank you' to every member of Year 5 and 6 for running a very successful morning and working so effectively as a team. I am really proud of you all!



My thanks to Keith Matthews for leading the school governors for over four years. I am sure you will join me in thanking Keith for his time, dedication and commitment to the children and staff of this school. I am delighted to inform you that Zoe Whittington and Chris Longshaw have put themselves forward to serve as Co-Chairs of Governors for this academic year. You will have all received the nomination form for a new Parent Governor and I would urge you to consider this. If you would like to speak to me regarding this role please email the school office or catch me on the gate one morning.

Last week I met with Revd Linda and Father Allan to discuss the support that St Mary's Church and the West Wycombe Benefice give to the school and how we can support them. Father Allan will be joining the Governing Body at Radnage as an Ex-Officio Foundation Governor. Mrs Sarah Leonard has also volunteered to serve as a Foundation Governor. Thank you to all those who freely give of their time to commit to this vital role for the leadership of the school. You really do make a difference!

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**Before School Clubs** - We have the following before school clubs running at present:

**Tuesday** – Archery/Fencing – Clubsport

**Wednesday** – Multi-Sports – Clubsport

**Thursday** – Basketball/Dodgeball – Clubsport

**Friday** – Tennis – Justin Cook

Currently, these before school clubs are open to children in Year 1 to Year 6. To book a place, you need to contact Clubsport direct using the online booking: [www.clubsportuk.com](http://www.clubsportuk.com) and for Tennis, contact Justin on 07788 591778.

### **Universal Infant Free School Meals**

The new packed lunches are going down a real treat! Feedback from the children is really positive and as one Otter pupil told me “it’s the best lunch I’ve ever had!” We are working with The Packed Lunch Company to set up provision for the Key Stage 2 children (Years 3 to 6) to be able to purchase a packed lunch after half term. Parents will have to order this directly with the company and pay for it. Only Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children get the “free” lunch. Can all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents ensure that they send their child with a water bottle which the child can also take into lunch. Whilst we would always encourage children to drink water and there is a water cooler in school to refill water bottles, I am happy for you to send your child with sugar free squash in their water bottles if this means they will actually drink. But please no fizzy or sticky drinks; just diluted squash or water please.



### **Parent Teacher Association**

Thank you to all the parents who turned out for the first PTA meeting of the year on Tuesday. It was a really positive meeting and **thank you** to everyone who agreed to volunteer to various jobs. For many years Mrs Ramm was the Chairperson of the PTA and as I explained at the meeting, this is something I feel a parent is now better placed to do.



Thank you to Committee members who have agreed to serve for a year in these roles. Please look out for the exciting fundraising

Co-Chairpersons	Becky Rogers & Rachel Pearce
Treasure	Sam Longshaw
Secretary	Brigitte Hughes

opportunities which the PTA will be running shortly.

Following guidelines from the NHS I am informing parents and carers that if your child is sick (actually vomits) or has diarrhoea they **MUST** be kept off school for 48 hours from the last bout of illness. Full guidelines can be found at the following website: <http://www.nhs.uk/Livewell/Yourchildatschool/Pages/Illness.aspx> There is really useful guidance on this website for all sorts of illnesses.

Booking for Parents’ Evening time slots will be coming out today from Mrs Roberts in the office. Any problems with this, please contact the school office.

Class	Award	29 <sup>th</sup> September 2017 ...Congratulations to...
Badgers & Cubs	Values Certificate	Svana – for fantastic sharing.
	Behaviour	Rupert – for involving himself in all Badger Class activities.
	Star of the Week	Henry – for not giving up when he was tired.
Otters & Hedgehogs	Values Certificate	Sunny – for being kind to her fellow classmates.
	Behaviour	Sebastian – for being a delight in the classroom.
	Star of the Week	Finn – for super Funny Bones story writing.
Kestrels & Red Kites	Values Certificate	Isla – Persevering in Maths.
	Behaviour	Grace – for always following our Golden Rules.
	Star of the Week	Logan P. – for fantastic progress in reading.
Falcons & Eagles	Values Certificate	Christian – for pushing himself to be the best he can be.
	Behaviour	Freya – for kindness and patience towards others.
	Star of the Week	Digby – Working hard in his big writing and maths tests.



Quote of the Week...

Daily strength...

... don't get tired of doing what is good. Don't get discouraged and give up...

Galatians 6:9

Year 3 & 4

Egyptian Day



Children in Year 3 & 4 are invited to come to school dressed like an Egyptian...

Please see Mrs Curran's letter.

Class	Award	6 <sup>th</sup> October 2017 ...Congratulations to...
Badgers & Cubs	Values Certificate	Tristian – for helping Bea peel her banana.
	Behaviour	Archie – for showing the class how to tidy up books.
	Star of the Week	Tumi – for dressing himself quickly after PE.
Otters & Hedgehogs	Values Certificate	Florence – for perseverance with her tricky Maths work.
	Behaviour	Evelyn – being kind and helpful to other children.
	Star of the Week	Jamie – for improved concentration and effort in English.
Kestrels & Red Kites	Values Certificate	Jake – for persevering with rounding in Maths.
	Behaviour	Summer – for always following Golden Rules.
	Star of the Week	Millie – for being a super star at rounding in Maths.
Falcons & Eagles	Values Certificate	Evan – for taking pride in his work.
	Behaviour	Sabrina – for being an excellent role model.
	Star of the Week	Charlie – for enthusiasm across the curriculum.



Thank you for all the kind donations for the Harvest Day on Friday. Special thanks to Henry in Badgers and his family for taking all the goods to the One Can Trust. The children had a great day working in their Houses to explore four Harvest related activities, from the colours of the liturgical calendar (ask the children, they should be able to tell you if you don't know) to the fantastic scene of the Sower of the Seeds. The



display can be seen at the end of this newsletter.

Every child made a contribution to this fantastic piece of work. I was truly impressed with the children's attitudes to working collaboratively with pupils of different ages. This also was a great opportunity to enable new friendships to blossom across the year groups.



Some fantastic learning at Radnage over the last week...

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October 2017		
12 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	Tour for prospective parents 9.30am
16 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	Parents Evening Consultations 5.00pm to 8.00pm – details to follow
17 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	Parents Evening Consultations 3.30pm to 5.30pm – details to follow
18 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	Year 3 & 4 Egyptian Day
18 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	Closing date for Parent Governor nominations – 12.00 noon
19 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	School photographer
20 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	Muti-non-uniform Day – bring a small car / toy for Tanzania
20 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	School closes for half term holiday at 3.20pm
30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>School closed for INSET staff training day</b>
31 <sup>st</sup>	Tuesday	School opens at 9.00 am
November 2017		
12 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	Remembrance Sunday
30 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	Health & Safety Audit from Bucks CC
December 2017		
7 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	Full Governing Body Meeting 7.30pm
12 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	EY and Key Stage I Nativity Performance 9.30 am
13 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	EY and Key Stage I Nativity Performance 2.00 pm
18 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	Christmas Party Day
19 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	<b>School closes for the Christmas Holidays at 1.30pm</b>

Thank you for your continued support of our school.

*Toby Long*  
Head Teacher



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