



# Newsletter 3

September 27<sup>th</sup> 2013



## Diary Dates:

### September

27<sup>th</sup> – Pupils from Yrs 5 & 6 to West Buckland School Sports Festival

### October

25<sup>th</sup> – Non-pupil day

28<sup>th</sup> – 1st Nov  
Half-Term

### November

4<sup>th</sup> November – individual/sibling school photographs

### December

20<sup>th</sup> – Last day of term

It's been another busy week here at Rackenford with the start of four clubs and another due to start on Monday. It's great to see so many children taking part. Kim's lunchtime Netball Club has attracted an amazing 30 children! If your child would like to join a club that's already started, please let Justine know. Here's a reminder of the clubs on offer:

| MON                 | WEDS           | THURS | FRI       |
|---------------------|----------------|-------|-----------|
| Football<br>Science | Netball<br>Gym | Music | Animation |

### **Science Club**

This is open to children in Yrs 4, 5 & 6 and starts on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September**. It will run for 12 weeks from 3.45 – 4.45pm and the children will work towards a CREST Star award. There is no charge for this club.

### **Broomhill Sculpture Park**

Class 3 really enjoyed their day exploring this inspiring collection of outdoor art armed with their sketchbooks.



**Olivia Stuckey and Megan Poole** had this to say:

*On Friday the 18<sup>th</sup>, Class Three travelled to Broomhill Sculpture Gardens to take a look at the amazing art works. Class Three were amazed by the size of some of the sculptures there – from giant red shoes to small gold dresses to Carol Peace. It was a fabulous day out and we would recommend it to everyone. Olivia and Megan.*

### **Claire Joyce**

I'm really enjoying my new role as Head of Teaching and Learning. I'm really excited by the input we're receiving from the high school and there are certainly plenty of new challenges to keep me busy! I feel incredibly lucky to be able to combine teaching such enthusiastic children with an opportunity to shape their learning both now and in the future. Thank you to all the parents who have responded to our survey and to those who have offered their talents/knowledge/expertise. It's fascinating to read your feedback and I will be responding in due course.

### **Wheels On The Bus**

We're nearly there! We are almost ready to purchase our very own school minibus. Thank you to everyone both within the school and from the wider community who have made this possible. Any donations would still be much appreciated as we will need funds to keep our minibus on the road.

### **School photographs**

Just a reminder that the photographer will be in on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November to take individual and sibling group photographs. So book those half term haircuts now!

### **Focus on reading**

A huge thank you to the parents who have offered to listen to our children read. Your input will make such a difference to their progress. If anyone else feels they are able to help, please let Justine know.

Enjoy your weekend.

Claire Joyce

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