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Dear Families and Friends,

All the staff would like to extend a warm welcome to all our families old and new. What an excellent start to the new academic year. On the two training days, all staff took part in the Level 2 annual safeguarding training and many of our staff also completed the essential first aid training on the Tuesday. Our support staff also did a three-hour course about the importance of play for all ages. Our teachers have worked hard to create stimulating and nurturing learning environments in their classrooms. The whole school has such a welcoming and clam feel.

On Wednesday we welcomed our children in Classes 1, 2 and 3 and on Thursday our new Reception children joined us. As usual I am totally impressed with the way our children have settled so quickly. Already I have seen so many examples of kindness, thoughtfulness, sharing and caring towards others. Excited about and engaged in their learning, they have jumped straight back into being at school. Our new children have quickly become part of our RPS family. It has been a pleasure to see how some children have buddied up with them to support their first few days.

We have enjoyed listening to what the children have been doing over the holidays. It is lovely that so many of you have managed to get away for a summer holiday. Lots of campervan, camping and glamping adventures as well as some of you managing to get abroad.

Thank you to the PTFA for all your support last year and for the welcome breakfast which you are hosting for our families. We have lots of exciting things planned for the upcoming year and we are looking forward to working more closely with you now that many of the CoVid-19 restrictions have been eased.

Dates

20th September

Reception Class Eye Test

27th September

School Photos

W/C 27th September

Meet the Teacher

6th October

Harvest Service

25th – 29th October

Half term

W/C 22nd November

Lantern Making

27th November TBC

Tiverton Lantern Parade

29th November

Theatre Alibi

W/C 29th November

Assessment Week

8th December

Nativity 9.30am

W/C 12th December

Autumn Snapshot Reports out

15th December

Christmas Lunch

17th December

Last day of term





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Afterschool French Club

Bonjour Class 1, Class 2 and Class 3,
Come to discover some French Celebrities!
Come and join La Petite French School After-School Club at Rackenford CE School for 6 weeks of French Fun!

Every week we will meet a famous French person (a famous artist, scientist, chef, footballer, adventurer and musician)

Every Tuesday at 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm for £4/week so for £24 a 6 weeks course from the 21st of September to the 2nd of October 2021. You will receive the form to register on Tuesday

A bientôt ! Madame Jones

Ellie is off for a swim!!!

In order to raise money for a storyteller to come into school to work with the children, Ellie Denno is going to be doing a 2km open water swim in Wimbleball Lake on Sunday 26th September. If you would like to support her and donate, please do so through the PTFA.

Account Number: 16165368 Sort code: 30 98 90.

Thank you very much



Dates

5th January

First day Spring term

W/C 16th January

Parents Evening

21st – 25th February

Spring half term

W/C 20th March

Assessment week

W/C 3rd April

Spring Snapshot reports out

7th April

Last day Spring term

25th April

First Day Summer term

May

KS1 SATS

W/C 9th May

KS2 SATS

WC 29th May – 3rd June

Half Term

6th June

Additional Bank holiday

W/C 4th July

Year R – 5 Reports home

W/C 11th July

Year 6 reports home

22nd July

Last day Summer term



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PTFA News

The PTFA would like to invite everyone to a *New School Year Welcome Breakfast*. On Tuesday 14th September at drop off (9am) by the tennis courts (weather permitting).



AGM

It's that time of year again...the PTFA AGM. It will be on the 28th September. Time and place TBC so please look out for more details. We are looking for a new vice chair. If you would be interested in this role or would like to get involved in the PTFA please get in contact with Ellie

ellie_denno@hotmail.com

07799060050 or Cecile 07929092421.

Miss Wotton is delighted to share with you all that she is expecting her second child, which is due in December. We will keep you updated with who will be teaching in her class during her maternity cover

We are seeking to appoint Mealtime Assistants/Play Supervisor £9 p/h, Monday to Friday, 1 hour per day 12.00 – 1.00pm, during term time

At RPS, we believe that play is fundamental for children's learning, development and wellbeing. We are committed to ensuring that our children flourish through meaningful play opportunities. Such experiences might be child led, open-ended, using loose parts, games, making, and importantly, be creative, imaginative and explorative. We want to enable children to be curious, independent and secure in who they are

Duties will involve:

- Supporting our children during their lunch break when they are in the hall eating their meal and when engaging in play
- Modeling positive behaviours and positive play
- Following the school's behaviour policy
- Establishing positive relationships with children and staff
- Assisting other staff when setting up the hall for the lunch time routine
- Assisting the play supervisor when setting up the playground for play activities and resources
- Applicants must be supportive, reliable and adaptable in order to meet the daily needs of the school.

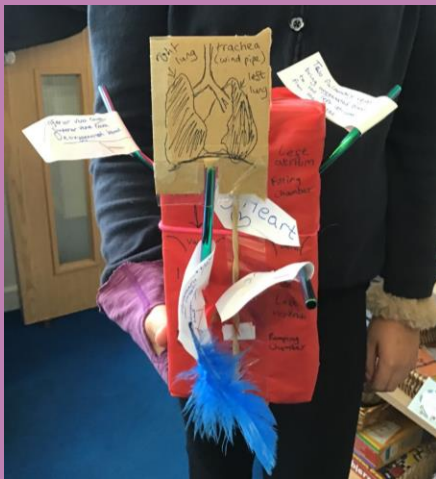
This role requires a DBS disclosure.

This role requires the ability to fulfil all spoken aspects of the role with confidence and fluency in English.

For an application form , please email admin@rackenford-primary.devon.sch.uk



Eleanor has made a model of a human heart out of materials found out home. The model has information and special fold out notes that tell you more. She made this after our first topic lesson based on our topic 'Blood Heart'. Eleanor used blue and red feathers to represent the oxygenated and deoxygenated blood.



Music lessons

We will continue to offer Piano, Drum and Guitar Lessons. Lessons are available to pupils in years 2 – 6. For more information or if you would like to sign your child up then please contact the school office. Lessons are 20 minutes and invoices are sent as a block of 10 weeks.

Drum & Guitar £9

Piano - £9.50

Piano lessons will start next Wednesday and Drum and Guitar will begin the W/C 20th September.

Become a Morrisons Growing school and get Free garden equipment for your school!

For every £10 you spend (in store or online) at Morrisons, you'll get a Grow Token to help our school get everything we need to get growing.

Download the My Morrisons app* or log into your online account today to start collecting Grow Tokens and select Rackenford school to donate them.

Simply scan your digital 'My Morrisons' or physical card in store, or link your My Morrisons card to your online account to get Grow Tokens every time you shop.

The children have enjoyed being able to return to the daily mile as a whole school .

