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Newsletter 5

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Dear Families



Rugged Radnage is fast approaching on Sunday 19th November.

You should have already received information regarding the Rugged Radnage 10K. We will need as many parents to volunteer to marshal the race, prep the course, water stations, start and finish, parking marshals and café. To enable as many parents as possible to help with this, the school will open a crèche for children of the volunteer parents on race day. Nearer the time we will require that parents sign up for this in advance to use the crèche. More details about the run can be found at <http://ruggedradnage.uk/>

Thank you to everyone already helping to makes this race a great success!

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend parents' evening sessions this week. Mrs Curran has sent out some information regarding Maths and mastery, which you should all have received. We hope that parents feel they can speak to their child's teacher if they have a question or concern and not wait for parents' evening if you feel it is important. You can contact the teachers via the school office. I would ask that you speak to the teachers about concerns or queries that are specific to your child. It has been brought to my attention that some social media sites are on occasion being used for this. I would urge you to come directly to the school if you have a concern or issue. Your first port of call should always be the class teacher. We are fortunate to have a wealth of experience on the teaching staff at Radnage and I am confident that our teachers are best placed to answer your questions. Should you feel your concern is beyond the class teacher or of a safeguarding/child protection nature, then you can speak to me. I am best contacted through the school office, or in morning on the gate. During my first six weeks as Head Teacher I have been impressed at the dedication and commitment the teachers show to the children in their care at this school.

I have received further complaints from our neighbours on Green Lane about parents parking over drive ways. The neighbour has passed on the registration plate, which I have reported to the local PCSO.

As of Monday 16th October the 'Continued Interest List' aka 'waiting list' for the school is now held by Buckinghamshire County Council admissions team. If prospective parents ask you about places we have in different year groups, please refer them to the links on the school's website to the BCC admissions pages as the school no longer handles its own waiting lists.

At the last PTA meeting those present agreed to the school spending £8,000 of PTA funds on several projects for the children. To keep everyone up-to-date on the expenditure we will be having new playground markings installed in bright and colourful thermoplastic to include a 5-a-side football pitch, hexagon hopscotch, 1-100 number grid, compass clock, adventure trail and road track layout. I have also ordered new chairs and tables for Otters and Badgers as well as a new interactive whiteboard for this class as the current one hasn't been working properly for a while. So, plans are well under way! I will let you know any other projects that we have completed using the PTA funds as I believe it is important that you know where the fundraising cash goes and the positive impact it has on every child's education and well-being. As I write this newsletter over the half-term holiday, Mrs Wilson's class are having a new interactive whiteboard fitted! This will make a great difference to their learning opportunities in Otters and Hedgehogs.

Children in Year 3 and 4 had a wonderful Egyptian Day (photos on the next page). Thank you for the effort parents went to for costumes. The children enjoyed the Egyptian feast and learning the Sand Dance! Thanks to Mrs Curran for making this a memorable day for all.

Class	Award	13 th October 2017	...Congratulations to...
Badgers & Cubs	Values Certificate	Ria – for trying hard to keep our school values.	
	Behaviour	Svana – for remembering and keeping the Golden Rules.	
	Star of the Week	Eddie – for being involved in his learning.	
Otters & Hedgehogs	Values Certificate	Oliver – for pushing himself in his Maths work.	
	Behaviour	Max – for always listening and staying on task.	
	Star of the Week	Savannah – for super 'Flat Stanley' adventure writing.	
Kestrels & Red Kites	Values Certificate	Freya – for being helpful to others in Art.	
	Behaviour	Aaron – for an excellent week of behaviour.	
	Star of the Week	Millie – for working more independently.	
Falcons & Eagles	Values Certificate	Emilia – for being kind and showing compassion.	
	Behaviour	Lily-May – for outstanding behaviour in class.	
	Star of the Week	Jack – for excellent work on pie charts.	



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Egyptian Day 2017



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I hope everyone is having a great half term holiday and we will see the children on TUESDAY 31st October. Thank you for your continued support of our school.

As you may be aware, my wife Louise, **was** expecting a baby in early November. Well, baby Clarence (Clarry) Arthur Charles Long decided to push the eject button early and was born on Friday 20th October at 4.02 pm, weighing in at 6 lb 1oz! Mother and son are doing well at home. Talk about great timing with half term! I will be taking my remaining five days paternity leave over the next few weeks. This will not be in a block. During my absence from school Mrs Curran will be the Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Toby Long
Head Teacher



IBSTONE COMMON

BONFIRE & FIREWORKS

SATURDAY 4th NOVEMBER

Bonfire lighting from 5.45pm
with fireworks to follow

Bar and BBQ

The event is funded by voluntary contributions
on the evening – profits for local good causes

ALL WELCOME

Quote of the Week...

Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

Jeremiah 29: 12-13