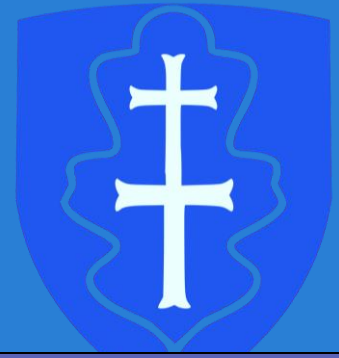


# Radnage Church of England VA Primary School

City Road, Radnage, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, HP14 4DW  
Telephone: 01494 482167 Email: office@radnage.bucks.sch.uk

Head Teacher: Mr Sam Browne



4<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Newsletter 5

## Head Teacher's News

This week, I have thoroughly enjoyed immersing myself in the wonderful learning that has been taking place in all of the classrooms.

In Badgers they have been reading the Enormous Turnip. I saw some excellent writing, counting and, on Wednesday, they made (and rapidly consumed) some absolutely delicious vegetable soup.

Otters and Hedgehogs continued their English lessons based on Funny Bones and, this week, began writing their own versions. I was very impressed by their use of adjectives and how cleverly they constructed their own sentences.

Key Stage 2 have been working hard on their Maths this week; Kites and Kestrels have been exploring the number system, including negative numbers. The level of challenge in the problems they were solving was very high, but the children were impressively strategic and worked their way through to success.

Falcons and Eagles have been using stations for some Maths lessons, and it was great to see such high levels of engagement from the children as they tackled Roman Numerals. Seeing the class using a wide range of resources (including tablets, whiteboards, interactive software) to access their learning was very encouraging.

We have had many parents (and children) visit us for tours of the school already this term ready for next year's Reception intake. We have a 'stay and play' tour on the 8<sup>th</sup> November, when children can experience some time in Reception to get a feel for things, and it is already nearly full. If you have a sibling due to start in September 2020 and would like them to join us for stay and play, please call and book in before spaces go.

On Sunday, we have our Community Clear Up between 10:00 and 12:00. If you are able to come along and help, we would be incredibly grateful. Some of the jobs that need doing are listed below. If you have any tools/equipment that you think may help, please bring them along!

Next Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> October, is #HelloYellow for World Mental Health Day. As such, we will be encouraging all children to wear an item of yellow clothing in return for a voluntary donation of £1. Whether it's a scarf, hat, socks or your favourite bow tie, dig out your best yellow clothes and wear them with pride alongside your usual school uniform. Mental Health is an incredibly important issue, so I am delighted that we are able to support Young Minds UK in this way.

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend.

*Sam Browne*



*A nurturing Christian environment that empowers a confidence and aspiration in our school community to grow, enabling individuals to shine.*

WONDER ~ RESPECT ~ LOVE ~ FORGIVENESS ~ COURAGE ~ CARITAS

## Community Clear Up Jobs

Here are some of the things that need doing:

- Clearing leaves and pollen from pathways, beds etc (I'll bring a leafblower)
- Refixing the front of the PE shed (drills, screws etc – I will bring some of these)
- Tidying, weeding and smartening up some garden areas (any gardening equipment welcome)
- Clearing some areas and filling the skip!
- Repairing broken wooden structures (good quality pieces of timber, screws etc needed)
- Planting up some pots with perennials (I'll provide some plants, but any cuttings welcome)
- Painting internal doors (I'll provide the paint)
- DIY bits and bobs as they appear

## PTA

Our next PTA meeting is on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November at the British Legion, starting at 7:00pm. We had a fantastic turnout at our last meeting, so let's keep it going! This week, we received a delivery of new playground equipment that the PTA kindly purchased for the school. The equipment was chosen by our Head Boy and Girl and here they are after excitedly unpacking the items! Thank you so much to the PTA for enabling us to improve break and lunch times for our children.

Our PTA Facebook page has all of the key information about upcoming events and how you can get involved. Follow this link: [PTA Facebook](#)  
One of our major fundraising events is Rugged Radnage. You can find out more info (or enter) by following this link: [Rugged Radnage](#)



## Photo Return Slips and Christmas Cards

PLEASE RETURN YOUR PHOTO SLIPS AND COMPLETED CHRISTMAS CARD DESIGNS TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE!! Both of these initiatives raise money for the school and are very important!



*A nurturing Christian environment that empowers a confidence and aspiration in our school community to grow, enabling individuals to shine.*

WONDER ~ RESPECT ~ LOVE ~ FORGIVENESS ~ COURAGE ~ CARITAS

## Birthday Treats

I am more than happy for children to bring in treats to hand out to their class on their birthday. However, children will not be allowed to consume these at school and will bring them home. In addition, if you would rather your child did not bring home treats, please let us know and we will ensure that we have alternatives in school for them to take home.

### Diary Dates

Date	Occasion	Location	Who?
<b>October 2019</b>			
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup> – 10:00am – 12:00pm	Community Clear Up Day	Whole School	Everyone!
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>PHOTO RETURN SLIPS BACK</b>	Whole School	Everyone
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup>	#HelloYellow Day	Whole School	Everyone
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00am	Harvest Worship	School Hall	All parents
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> – 3:30-7:30pm	Parents' Evening	School Hall	All Classes
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 3:30-5:30pm	Parents' Evening	School Hall	All Classes
<b>November 2019</b>			
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> – 9:30am	New Parent Tour plus stay and play for prospective children	Whole School	Prospective Parents
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> – 9:30am	Remembrance Service	School Hall	Everyone
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> - 9:30am	English Open Morning	School Hall and classrooms	All parents
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	Children In Need	School Hall and classrooms	Everyone
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> – 10:00am	Rugged Radnage	Radnage Village	Everyone
Weds 20 <sup>th</sup> – 7:00pm	PTA Meeting	British Legion	Everyone!
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 3:30pm	PTA Film Night	School Hall and classroom	All Classes
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> – 9:30am	Maths Open Morning	School Hall and classrooms	All parents
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> – 2:00-5:00pm	Christmas Shopping Event	Whole School	Everyone!
<b>December 2019</b>			
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 9:30am	New Parent Tour	Whole School	Prospective Parents
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> 9:30am	Nativity	School Hall	Reception and 1/2 Parents
Weds 11 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Afternoon	School Hall and classrooms	Whole School
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> – 12:05pm	Reception and 1/2 Christmas Lunch	School Hall	Reception and 1/2
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> – 12:05pm	Year 3/4 and 5/6 Christmas Lunch	School Hall	Year 3/4 and 5/6
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> - 1:00pm	Reception and Year 1/2 trip to Norden Farm	Offsite	Reception and 1/2
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> – 12:45pm	School Carol Concert	School Hall	Everyone



*A nurturing Christian environment that empowers a confidence and aspiration in our school community to grow, enabling individuals to shine.*

WONDER ~ RESPECT ~ LOVE ~ FORGIVENESS ~ COURAGE ~ CARITAS