



Rose Hill Primary School

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Headteacher's newsletter

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Dear parents and carers,



This term has been a really rich one....

It was International Week last week, and the children really enjoyed finding out about a different country in each year group. The Salsa and Bollywood dancing was great fun - so lovely to see the children all dancing together on Thursday afternoon. An education officer from Oxfam came in to talk to the children in an assembly.

Overall this term has been a busy one, with so much going on across school. Magdalen College School came and gave a concert for us, lots of classes have been out on trips to a range of places including Year Six's traditional 'IMPS' trip to the JR to learn about First Aid. Children have been involved in pony-riding, rabbit-handling, (thanks to JYC!) and cooking. Year Three and Four had a 'Roman' Day with Roman visitors, and Year Five visited the Natural History Museum in Oxford. Year One and Two are off to the Pegasus Theatre again after half-term.

Many children are now enjoying outdoor learning in our developing Forest School.

This Friday is the traditional 'Rose Hill's got Talent' competition where we always see some amazing talents on view!

Thank you all as always, for your support with these events. It was great to see so many parents and carers coming to see the work that the children had produced during International Week.

Other news

As you know, in the last six months, Ofsted and others have commented on how much the school has improved. We have had letters from the Chief Inspector at Ofsted and from the Secretary of State for Education both noting how our results have improved over the last two years. Our Year Six SATS results on the school website <http://www.rose-hill.oxon.sch.uk/curriculum/attainment> . The children did really well - better than the average for Oxfordshire and nationally.

We know the children can learn brilliantly and have a happy experience in the building as it is - we just think that the building deserves a big facelift! We will let you know as soon as we have any news either about academisation or about the building.

Spreading the word

Like the notice you sometimes see in shops - if you are happy with school, please tell other people! They may not know how well children do here or how many extra experiences they get. We have a settled and highly skilled staff team now and feel ready to take the school on to new heights.

If you're not happy - tell us. I am always keen to hear from you and will always make time as soon as I can if you want to see me about anything.

PTA- 'Friends of Rose Hill'

Our PTA (or 'Friends of Rose Hill) committee is very small and we could do with more people coming along. The group who are involved do a great job of organising events and raising much - needed money for school - but we need more support! The next meeting is on 22nd February at 2.00 - 3.00. The PTA is a great way to get involved in the school, and we would love you to bring some new ideas.

Have a good half - term break and looking forward to some sunshine next term.

Best wishes,

Sue Vermes

