

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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FROM MR RARATY



Meet the Senior Leadership Team (SLT)

I am fortunate enough to be supported by a dedicated and talented team at Rodings who make it the special place that it is. I have a Senior Leadership Team who help me take a long term strategic view of the school and help me to plot and plan for the future. I thought it would be great for you to meet the team and find out about the specific responsibilities.



As well as being my Deputy and helping with the daily running of the school, Mr Crawley is responsible for the curriculum design. This includes writing its intent and making sure that it is implemented across the school. He also leads on behaviour making sure that there is consistency in approach from all members of staff. Mr Crawley is also a Deputy Safeguarding Lead.



Mrs Oakley, one of our longest serving teachers, is responsible for wellbeing. She makes sure that both children and staff receive the support they need to flourish at Rodings. She is currently completing a Masters degree in the subject and has plans to implement strategies she has researched to support children and staff even more.



Mr Wright has responsibility for assessment across the school. This means that he collects and analyses data to make sure that the children are achieving what they should be. Recently, Mr Wright has also taken on the role of Disadvantaged champion. This is a new role within school which, as it says on the tin, champions the rights and progress of children that are in some way disadvantaged impacting on their education



Mrs Brown is the school SENCo or Special Education Needs Coordinator. Her role is to organise additional support for children with special needs so that they can access their education. This involves liaising with teaching staff, parents, health professionals and specialist teachers. She also leads a team of learning mentors, providing social and emotional support. Mrs B is also a Deputy safeguarding Lead.



Mrs Paget is the School Business Manager. As well as being the friendly voice at the end of the phone she is responsible for running the school office alongside her team. Furthermore, she is responsible for the school budget and making sure we pay our bills on time, can access any additional funding to make Rodings the best it can be and coordinate any other administrative duties such as GDPR, supporting recruitment and educational visits. Mrs Paget is also a Deputy Designated safeguarding Lead.

Collectively, they are also responsible for behaviour, the School Development Plan and making sure the children are safe and healthy. That all sounds very serious, so the SLT is also the source of the many mad and fun ideas we have as well. What a great team I have!

UPCOMING DATES

Next Week

Tuesday 19th October
Learning Consultations
3.30-6.00pm

Wednesday 20th
October
Learning Consultations
3.30-7.00pm

Friday 22nd October
Non Pupil Day

HOUSE POINTS

1445

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1567

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1448

TILTY

PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING

Each year we receive additional funding called the Pupil Premium Grant. This money is worked out on the number of children who qualify for free school meals, have been in the care and adoption system and children whose parents are in the military. Although these children trigger the funding the money can be spent on any disadvantaged child in school.

From September 2021 the government has issued new guidelines and a new universal template on how this money should be allocated. There is a greater focus on using the money to improve the quality of teaching and learning, training for teachers and 1:1 and small group tuition. This means a greater emphasis on whole school improvement rather than just those children who qualify for pupil premium funding. Consequently, the way we use the money will change in comparison to previous years. We will still provide the majority of support we previously did but full funding for music tuition, residential and educational visits will reduce with families being asked to make some contribution to these costs. Thanks for your understanding.

The News Team News

This week the Penguins went on a school trip to a church. We interviewed Annabelle Copping, Emma O'keefe and Jorge Crow.

This is what Annabelle had to say, Mary and Joseph were Jesus' Mummy and Daddy.

Emma told us this, when they wash the water comes out and into the drain and we could see where the water came out.

We got this information from Jorge, Easter is a time when the crucifixion of Jesus happened. Arches with a round top show that Normans built the Church.

What did they see?

They also told us some information about going to the lectern, glass window, font and altar. The altar is where you get wine and bread from the vicar. A church is also where you get baptised. These are some of the events held by Christians; Christmas and Easter and many more.



How did they describe The church?

They described the glass windows as big and colourful, they also described them as unique because of their pictures and the way the glass represented the stories.





RODINGS STARS

Our truly amazing Miss Raban played as part of the Royal British Legion at Westminster Abbey this week to celebrate the centenary of supporting the Armed Forces Community. The special service of thanksgiving was attended by The Queen and members of the Royal Family along with guests from the Armed Forces community.

We are truly proud and what an absolute Star you really are!





The Rodings Halloween Fancy Dress Sale



A very big thank you to everyone who donated costumes. The sale is now LIVE on the Friends Facebook Page!

Take a look at the outfits we have on sale, the size and price will be written in the photo description.

If you want to buy an item please comment 'SOLD' under the photograph of the item you want. We will like your comment to confirm the purchase, first person to comment gets the item!

The sale ends at midnight on SUNDAY. All money must be paid by the end of Monday 18th October either to the Friends account on Arbor or cash in a named envelope to school.

Happy spooky shopping!!! 🕸️🕷️🦋

Please support the Rodings to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle whilst raising funds for our amazing school.....and picking up a bargain in the process!



Friends of Rodings Primary School



are pleased to announce the return of

FIREWORKS NIGHT

Thursday 4th November 2021

At Rodings Primary School, Leaden Roding

Gates Open @ 6pm for food & drinks

Fireworks @ 7pm

Great Garnetts Hot Dogs - Hot Chocolate - Bar



Bar Kindly Provided by Colchester Brewery



Advance Tickets - £22 per family* or £6 per person

On the Door - £25 per family* or £7 per person

* Family ticket = 2 adults & up to 3 children

All profits made at the event go directly back to the school so please come hungry & thirsty!

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Menu

Week commencing 18th October 2021

MONDAY

Pork meatballs served with tomato sauce, pasta, carrot & cucumber sticks & salad bar



Veggie meatballs served with tomato sauce, pasta, carrot & cucumber sticks & salad bar

for dessert

Flapjack

TUESDAY

Homemade sausage roll served with wedges, baked beans & salad bar



Homemade veggie sausage roll served with wedges, baked beans & salad bar

for dessert

Chocolate or strawberry mousse

WEDNESDAY

Roast Garnett's gammon served with roast potatoes, carrots, green beans, Yorkshire pudding & gravy



Roast Quorn fillet served with roast potatoes, carrots, green beans, Yorkshire pudding & gravy

for dessert

Fruit jelly

THURSDAY

Homemade pasta bolognese served with garlic bread, sweetcorn & salad bar



Homemade Quorn pasta bolognese served with garlic bread, sweetcorn & salad bar

for dessert

Dessert buffet

FRIDAY



Non Pupil Day

THE COOKING POT

