

Laying Foundations for Life-long Learning!

# Ridgewell C of E Primary School Newsletter

5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

## BUSY START TO TERM

### Layer Marney Tower

What a great start to the term we've had so far with a busy trip on the first day back. We were all so proud of our children and the way they behaved during our trip to Layer Marney Tower last Tuesday. The children were so polite and listened very carefully throughout the day asking many interesting questions. Well done to all!

Our building work has at last come to an end and the builders are now putting the final finishing touches to the school after the eight-month project. The school now feels much larger and children are enjoying using the full corridor in KS2, giving them inside access to the hall. Mars class have a new carpet and the full size of their classroom once again. Staff have their staffroom back and Suzy has the full size of her kitchen back. We are enjoying every minute of having things back to normal.

We are excited to see the 'Little Woodland Tribe' nursery setting up in the Forest School site alongside the school. The leaders of the nursery are very experienced and passionate about learning in the outdoors the children joining them are going to have a great time!

Please could I remind parents that the school day officially begins at 8:50am. It is really beneficial to children if they can regularly come to school in good time to ensure lessons begin promptly.

Thank you again for all your support.

Mrs. Stuart

### PTFA launch:

Save the date – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm – a link to an online meeting will be sent to all parents.



## Supporting Charities

### Children in Need

At our latest School Council Assembly, the theme of our discussion was around charity days we support in school. Children were all keen to support Children in Need once again this year. We are unable to hold cake sales at the moment, due to the new 'Natasha's Law' guidance. As soon as we receive more information, we may be able to do this again in the future.

A vote was held to decide what we should do this year. Children all voted to have a pyjama day and bring money to school to raise money for Children in Need on **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November.**



# RIC – skills focus

## Introducing RIC

This year, after evaluating the progress we are making, we have identified skills that we are developing throughout school this year. The three areas we are focusing on are: 'reasons for reading', 'independent learning' and being 'courageous' learners.

We have been discussing these areas in our Collective Worship assembly times and the three areas have led to a character named 'RIC' being invented. Children have designed the character and we look forward to introducing him to the school soon...

## Layer Marney Pictures



## Open Morning Reminder

We will be holding an open morning for new parents on **9<sup>th</sup> November**. Please pass this information on to anyone you know with young children who are thinking about school admissions in the next two years.

## School Photographs – Change of Date

Please note that individual school photographs will now be taken on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**. If you would like your child to have their photo taken with younger siblings, please come to school at 8:30am.

Looking  
forward  
to...

- 9<sup>th</sup> November – Open Morning
- 11<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance at Village Memorial
- 17<sup>th</sup> November – Autumn Welly Walk
- 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> November – Y6 Bikeability
- 18<sup>th</sup> November – 7pm -PTFA meeting for all parents/friends of the school
- 19<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need Day
- 22<sup>nd</sup> November – School Photographs