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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have all enjoyed the half term break.

We have our monthly Community Club session on Sunday from 10.00-12.00am. Daniel Ricketts and Wendy Lewis, our school gardener, have plenty of jobs ready for everyone who is willing to help whilst having a chat and enjoying some refreshments. We are looking forward to the arrival of some better weather as spring begins so that we can enjoy more outdoor learning; it will be great to improve the area ready for this.

Don't forget to bring back your daffodil bulbs! They should have grown by now and we are hoping for another year of impressive awards from the London Children's Flower Society when their judge, Ruth, visits us again next Wednesday.

Parent/Carer evenings are scheduled for Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th March. We have a different booking system this year which we hope will make it much easier for parents/carers and staff to arrange the meetings; more details on this will follow next week. You will receive a target/report form in advance of your meeting which you will be able to discuss with staff.

We need your support to make sure children come to school with the correct uniform. The uniform list is available in the Uniform Policy which is on the school website and the list is also attached at the end of this letter. We take pride in our school uniform which creates a sense of belonging and equality in the school environment. We are having particular difficulty in addressing the uniform for PE days and also with footwear.

On PE days children should wear the appropriate PE kit as described on the uniform list:

- royal blue shorts or unbranded royal blue/black jogging bottoms
- royal blue, black or grey plain (unbranded) leggings may be worn underneath shorts for warmth in cold weather
- royal blue sweatshirt
- plimsolls (plain black trainers may be worn outside only -please note that trainers must be completely black without coloured logos etc)
- plain white t-shirt or white Rockmount t-shirt

Footwear - black, flat shoes or plain black trainers with black laces **(please note that shoes and trainers must be completely black without coloured logos etc)**

We thank you for your support and co-operation with this. Please remember to ask at the school office if you require any support with the purchase of appropriate school uniform as we are able to support families with this.

We have a busy time ahead of us with World Book Day (March 7th) and Red Nose Day (March 15th). Details about our plans for these events will be sent out very soon. We are linking World Book Day with a design and technology project for some of our pupils and would be very grateful for donations of any old costume jewellery, beads, buttons, fabric, ribbon or trimmings, sparkly bits etc. A box will be at the school office for any children or adults to leave their donations which we hope will help to make our projects have a wow factor!

We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Helen Carvall

School Uniform

We are proud of our school uniform which makes the children look smart and have a sense of belonging to the Rockmount community. All children at Rockmount are expected to wear school uniform:

General Uniform

- royal blue fleece jacket (for wearing outside only)
- royal blue cardigan or school sweatshirt
- grey trousers or skirt
- royal blue jogging bottoms (Nursery, Reception, Year 1 children only)
- white or blue shirt or polo shirt
- black, flat shoes or plain black trainers with black laces (please note that shoes and trainers must be completely black without coloured logos etc)
- black or grey tights
- white or grey socks

In summer pupils may wear:

- blue/white checked dress
- grey shorts
- Rockmount school cap or plain sunhat
- black, brown, navy or white flat sandals

PE and Sports kit (Years 1-6)

All children wear their PE kit to school on days when they have a PE lesson. There is no need to bring a change of clothes as the children can remain in their Rockmount PE kit/tracksuit (jogging bottoms and sweatshirt) all day. (On days when they are not timetabled to have PE they will continue to wear full school uniform, as usual)

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- royal blue sweatshirt
- plimsolls (plain black trainers may be worn outside only -please note that trainers must be completely black without coloured logos etc)
- plain white t-shirt or white Rockmount t-shirt
- Swimming (Years 4, 5, 6) - swimwear and a towel (no bikinis)

Jewellery

- Plain watches may be worn (no 'smart' watches)
- Earrings may only be worn if they are small, plain studs
- No other jewellery is permitted
- Nail varnish is not permitted

Children wearing inappropriate footwear may be given school plimsolls to wear for the day.

We request that longer hair (shoulder length) is tied back for reasons of health and safety.