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## **Erme Valley RDA**



Offering opportunity by opening doors

## February 2023

Welcome to our new helpers and participants it is lovely to welcome some new faces. We hope everyone has had a good month. Thanks to all those that have completed their DBS checks and to those that covered the Brook whilst we were away.

A few reminders to everyone:

The signing in book is still in use in the viewing gallery please make sure that you are still signing in and out each day.

Please can all voting members for 2023 check, and sign the list in the office.

It has been necessary to remind people to please drive slowly down the lane, this is at all times of day, there may be horses or people coming out of the gateways. There have been a couple of close incidents this week.

Please make sure you are up to date with the fire drills procedures and code of conduct, if you are unsure please ask someone. There is a copy of the updated code of conduct in the office.

We are really needing to make a big push on fundraising, is there anybody out there that could help us drum up support from local businesses etc? Please speak to Peggy if you think you could help. On the subject of fundraising we are fundraising for the straw for next year and we are 10% of the way there! Please 'buy a bale' if you can this can be done online from the link on facebook or in the office, bales are £4 each and we need to cover at least 500 bales!

A big well done to Mark who is now a group coach.

We are really aware of the big pot hole outside the gate which we are initially hoping to patch and then resurface the whole area when funds allow. Particular thanks to the two outside organisations that use the school that have put in £100 each.

The new regulations for hats have changed as of 1st January. This has meant we have had to replace 17 hats. The cheapest of which is now  $\pounds70$ . If you ride in your own hat these must checked and tagged before being used.

Contact details: Peggy - 07882286421 (Text on day) <u>peggydouglasrda@gmail.com</u> (Email in advance only please)

## Dates:

9th Feb - Final ASDAN session

Friday 10th Feb - Claire Dethrick Para and RDA dressage training (invite only)

11th Feb - 17th Feb - Half Term

1st April - Last session before easter (TBC)

Wednesday 19th April - First session back

Tuesday 25th April - Show jumping at the Brook

29th, 30th April 1st May - ICC at Bicton

Tuesday 9th May - Dressage and countryside challenge @ Lakefield

Thursday 18th May - No sessions

14th 15th 16th July - Nationals @ Hartpury

## Items always needed:

Cleaning stuff Sponges Paper