MOTHERS DAY LUNCHES
This week we welcomed mums into the school to share lunch with us. This was a huge undertaking for our school, especially the admin and kitchen staff, but both days ran very smoothly. We received lots of compliments from parents regarding the school food and many commented on how much they enjoyed the occasion. A very big thank you to the kitchen staff for making the event so successful and to the adults in school for the extra helping hands to ensure all our children were fed on time.

Maddock still in the lead with 178 points!

APPRECIATION  ❤️  BELONGING  ❤️  COMPASSION
To the world, you are one person. But to one person you may be the world!

THE BIG FRIEZE
This week all of the classes created their own version of a panel from ‘The Big Frieze’. This art work illustrates the ‘big story’ of the bible. As well as giving children an understanding of the timeline of the bible it has also enabled us to talk through some of the topics that are present in the bible stories such as creation, selfishness, rescue, choice, challenge, repentance, forgiveness, temptation and love to name a few. I am so proud of the results of this mini project and delighted that the children worked together as a team. If you get a chance, why not pop in and see our art work for yourself?

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT AND EGG ROLL
Thursday 25th April 2019
FROGS annual Easter celebrations will take place in the week following the Easter holidays. If your child would like to enter the egg competition, please bring in a decorated hard boiled egg on the morning of 25th April and place on the tables in the entrance hall. Miss Vittle will judge the best dressed egg per class during the day and prizes will be awarded. During the afternoon, all classes will take part in an Easter hunt followed by an Egg roll on the playground, with a prize for the egg that travels the furthest!

LENT CHALLENGES
As we enter the 5th week of Lent it is a good time to think about the challenges we have set ourselves. My challenge of running a mile a day has tested both my fitness and time management: some days I just haven’t managed to find the time to run! When faced with the option of stopping the challenge or carrying on, despite a few missed days, the children and I have decided it is better to keep on trying. We remembered that the chances of success if you give up are 0%! When Rev Clare led our collective worship on Ash Wednesday she gave each class ‘Lent in a bag’. One of the items was a peace lily for each class to grow. Congratulations to Nectar class whose lily has grown very successfully under the diligent care of Phoebe who has watered the plant regularly. How is your Lent challenge going? I know there are others running, some have promised to keep a tidy bedroom and others are giving up chocolate. Keep persevering!

SWIMMING CONGRATULATIONS
On Saturday 23rd March, Ava K, in year 6, and Charlotte P, in year 5, competed in the Alton and District Swimming Club 25m Club Championships. Both girls did amazingly well in their 4 races with Ava achieving 2 first places, 1 second and 1 third and Charlotte achieving 3 first places and a third place. Shields and medals aplenty! Well done Ava and Charlotte.
**MARCH 100 CLUB DRAW WINNERS**
The winners of the first 100 club draw of 2019 are as follows: 1st Place: Abby Griffiths, 2nd Place: Elizabeth Lewis, 3rd Place: Tracey Knight. All winners will be contacted in due course. Once again a massive thank you to them and to all of those who have taken part in the 100 club in support of the Ropley School swimming pool. The third draw of 2019 will take place in May. Should you not currently be a member but wish to take part in the draws in 2019 please obtain a membership application form from outside of the school office. Completed membership forms and membership fees (£16 for the remaining draws of the year / per number) should be returned to the office by no later than the 17th May 2019.

**Bene Ice Coffee Morning with Posie Making and Crafts**
Saturday 30th March 10.00 - 11.30
Pop in to the Coffee Rooms for a drink and a chat - crafts and posy making and crafts available for our younger visitors who can be dropped off and signed in if you wish...

**Farm Church at Scrubs Farm**
Saturday 30th March 2.30 - 3.30
An alternative to Messy Church!
Come and meet some new lambs, hear a story and join in a short outdoor service
No dogs on this occasion and pregnant mums please avoid this session!
Directions (it's easier than it sounds!!)
From Shipton Sutton turn into White Hill Lane (opposite Sutton Manor Farmhouses) & immediately fork left into Scrubs Lane. Follow Scrubs Lane for about 1 mile under the bypass bridge, then round a sharp right hand bend, up a short hill. At the top of the hill turn right into Dark Lane (unmarked) and follow to the farm. Watch out for any signs regarding parking.

**Mothering Sunday**
**All Age Benefice Communion**
Ropley Village Hall
Sunday 31st March
10.00am

**DIARY DATES**
*New events or date changes in bold*

- **Thur 4th April**  Honeybee Class Assembly, 2.30pm
- **Fri 5th April**  Parents in Partnership Meeting, 3.15pm
- **Tues 23rd April**  Start of Summer Term
- **Fri 26th April**  Share the Miracle Lunch, 1pm
- **Sat 11th May**  Year 1 Fundraiser—Race Night
- **Mon 13th May**  Year 6 SATS Week
- **Thur 23rd May**  Whole Governing Body, 6.30pm
- **Thur 23rd May**  Primary Music Festival - Singing Club
- **Fri 24th May**  Founders Day, 2pm
- **Fri 24th May**  Break for Half Term
- **Mon 3rd June**  Inset Day
- **Mon 10th June**  150 years of Ropley School, Celebration Month begins
- **Thurs 13th June**  Yr R visit to Magdalen Hill Nature Reserve
- **Mon 17th June**  Provisional Area Sports Date
- **Tues 18th June**  Provisional Area Sports Date
- **Thurs 20th June**  Sports Day
- **Thurs 27th June**  Reserve Sports Day
- **Fri 28th June**  150 years Open Afternoon
- **Sat 6th July**  **RopleyFest**  - Details to follow soon!
- **Mon 8th July**  Whole Governing Body, 6pm
- **Tues 9th July**  Musical Extravaganza, 1.30pm
- **Tues 16th July**  Year 5’s Perins Taster Day
- **Mon 22nd July**  Leavers Assembly, 9.15am
- **Tues 23rd July**  Yr 6 Character Parade, 9.15am

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