

APPRECIATION ❤️ BELONGING ❤️ COMPASSION

*The generous soul will be made rich, and he who waters will also be watered himself*

**Thank you** to everyone who joined us today at our Harvest Festival celebration. The children shared their Harvest poems and songs, including the toe tapping 'Harvest Samba' which is always a popular choice with the children! They have also been learning this week about where food comes from, how lucky they are to have such a lot of choice with their food and where the ingredients for something as simple as pizza actually comes from! The air miles for each ingredient can add up to considerably more than we all thought!



Our youngest children held their own Harvest celebration in their classroom, which their parents and carers were invited to come along to. They are a little too young to join the rest of the school in assembly and celebration time but we hope to see them joining in with the whole school over the coming months.

FROGS also held a raffle for a fantastic hamper and a beautiful dried flower arrangement which was won by Laura W! Thank you to everyone who supported their fundraiser.

We collected a fantastic amount of items for Alton Foodbank which will help to support many families in our area with emergency food supplies, referrals to Citizens Advice and fresh fruit and veg boxes. They also have a uniform bank and have updated their records with our new uniform colours.

For more information please visit their website here:

[Alton Foodbank](#)

Please remember that we are a **Foodbank Voucher Holder**. Any family that is struggling can apply to the foodbank for an emergency supply. All conversations with Miss Vittle are confidential and vouchers are issued electronically on the same day.



This year's **school photos** will again be taken by Fraser Portraits. Their photographer will be in school on **Friday 29th September**, in the Hive, (in the blue door to the left of the main entrance) to take individual and family group photos.

If you would like any siblings **NOT** at our school to be photographed together with your child/ren who **IS** at our school please be here by 8.15am. The photographer will work through the family groups one by one so there may be some waiting around.

**Please note, the 8.15am slot is ONLY for families with siblings at pre-school or other schools.**

Family groups of children who are in school will be taken during the school day.

Each child will have two types of photos for you to choose from. If any families require an additional set of proofs for a parent not living with the family, please let Mrs Burr know. **Please be aware that photos can only be ordered online.** Full details of how to order will be sent out to you after the photo session.

### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast club will operate out of the school hall on this day. Please ring the bell as usual and Sue or Ellie will come around to the main school entrance to let your child in.

### **NORMA'S GARDEN AND KS2 CANOPIES**

Work begins on Tuesday 26th September! We will keep you updated with any access restrictions but please be aware there will be skips and machinery on site which are obviously out of bounds at all times.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Happy Birthday** to all the children who have their birthday in this week

*William M*

*Rosa W*

*Hattie B*

*Anna H*

*Alex M*

*Eden M*

*Thank you to **Anna H and Hattie B** who have donated fantastic books to the library for their birthdays. Mrs Howling will add a sticker to the front with their names on it.*

If you would like to donate a book for your child's birthday, the link to our wishlist is:

<https://amzn.eu/bXvpSme>

## BALLET CONGRATULATIONS!

**Millie P, Holly B and Alice C**

attended an Awards Ceremony at the weekend to receive their certificates for passing Primary Ballet. They have now all moved up to Grade 1. An amazing achievement for them all as they have worked so hard. Well done, girls, we are very proud of you!



## 2ND HAND UNIFORM SALE

**WED 4TH OCTOBER, 3.15PM**

(Weather Permitting)

Come along at the end of the school day and have a rummage to see what is available. All items are in good, clean condition and are only **£1 per item**, which is an absolute bargain! Please bring small change where possible.

## SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN MORNINGS

If you are planning to take your Year 5 child to any Open Mornings, please let us know in advance and, more importantly, let us know your child's lunch choice! Dates of the open mornings are in the next column. Please see the secondary school websites for any further details.

## MACMILLAN 'WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING'

**FRIDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2023**

**8.45am - 12noon**

**ROPLEY COFFEE ROOM**

Pop in for **CAKES & PRODUCE, RAFFLE, TOMBOLA, CHRISTMAS CARDS & REFRESHMENTS!**

Please bring cash/cheques as we can't take cards - although donations can be made with your phone!

## DIARY DATES

**New dates or changes in bold**

<b>Tues 26th Sept</b>	<b>Amery Hill Open Morning for Year 5</b>
<b>Wed 27th Sept</b>	<b>Amery Hill Open Morning for Year 5</b> FROGS AGM, 8pm Full Governing Body Meeting, 6pm
<b>Thur 28th Sept</b>	<b>Perins Open Morning for Year 5</b>
<b>Fri 29th Sept</b>	Individual Photo Session House Cross Country, 2pm
<b>Wed 4th Oct</b>	<b>2nd Hand Uniform Sale, 3.15pm</b>
<b>Fri 6th Oct</b>	<b>Open Afternoon, 1.30pm</b>
<b>Mon 9th Oct</b>	Year 6 Residential to Avon Tyrrell
<b>Fri 13th Oct</b>	Year 6 return from Avon Tyrrell
<b>Tues 17th Oct</b>	<b>Yr R &amp; 6 Height &amp; Weight</b> Parents Evening, 3.30pm - 6.30pm
<b>Wed 18th Oct</b>	<b>Nasal Flu Vaccination, All Years</b> Parents Evening, 3.30pm - 6.30pm
<b>Fri 20th Oct</b>	<b>Break for Half Term</b>
<b>Mon 30th Oct</b>	Return to School Autumn 2
<b>Mon 13th Nov</b>	<b>INSET Day</b>
<b>Fri 17th Nov</b>	Children In Need Day
<b>Wed 22nd Nov</b>	Full Governing Body Meeting, 6pm
<b>Fri 24th Nov</b>	House Cross Country, 2pm
<b>Wed 6th Dec</b>	Infant Nativity to Parents, 9.30am
<b>Wed 13th Dec</b>	<b>PANTO TIME! - Snow White at The Mayflower, 2pm</b>
<b>Thur 14th Dec</b>	Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
<b>Fri 15th Dec</b>	Christmas Service for Parents, 11am <b>Break for Christmas, 12.30pm</b>
<b>Tues 2nd Jan</b>	<b>Return to School Spring 1</b>
<b>Fri 9th Feb</b>	Break for Half Term
<b>Mon 19th Feb</b>	INSET Day
<b>Tues 20th Feb</b>	Return to School Spring 2
<b>Thur 28th Mar</b>	Break for Easter
<b>Mon 15th Apr</b>	Return to School Summer 1
<b>Fri 24th May</b>	INSET Day



## FROGS AGM

**Wednesday 27th September, 8pm**

**Zoom Meeting**

**Meeting ID: 861 4410 9191**

**Passcode: frogs**

**PLEASE SEE THE POSTER ON PAGE 3 & 4 TO FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN HELP!**

## BESS GETS A MAKEOVER!

A very big thank you to **Tash Hillary** who has given Bess (Best Ever School Sheep) a makeover! We think she looks baa-eutiful!!







# Your school needs you!

Hello all! A big welcome back to all our existing parents and an even bigger welcome to our new parents. For those who don't know us, we are FROGS (Friends of Ropley School Organise Generous Support) and we are the Ropley Primary School PTA and fundraising support. FROGS is a registered charity (Charity number: 270845), which is managed by a fantastic core team of parents. We also have our wonderful class reps who help with school communication and individual class fundraisers in support of our amazing school.

Our core FROGS team are sitting on the lily pads ready to go but we need more help to raise money and host events which will benefit school and our children, so here's the ask...

## Help needed

We're always on the lookout for more people to help with our events. Even if it's just to dip in and dip out of the pond! No commitment needed. No whatsapp groups. Just lending a hand when you can. We are juggling our jobs and families too, so any help is very much appreciated. Here are some examples...

## Are you...?

- Regularly at the 3.15 school pick up and can spend half an hour helping to sell goods on our stalls
- Available for half an hour before pick-up to help set up stalls
- Sitting on an idea for a fun or great money spinner you want to lead the charge on
- A budding baker willing to throw a few delicious tray bakes in the oven for our cake sales
- A real creative who enjoys designing, making, drawing or even foraging!
- An organisational pro who can help to jot down and distribute the minutes from our occasional bigger meetings.
- Local business owner who can donate materials, time, venue space, sponsorship.

The list is as long as all of your skills or ideas!

Your help would be invaluable and would better enable us to reach our fundraising targets which will go towards things such as:

- Christmas Panto for the students
- School Laptops
- Norma's Garden
- Forest School and outdoor learning
- Sports Equipment

If you think you've got capacity to join the core team, or if you're more interested in being a 'dip in, dip out', then we'd really love to hear from you. Here's how:

1. Email us at [ropleyfrogs@gmail.com](mailto:ropleyfrogs@gmail.com)
2. Talk to one of your class reps about it
3. Grab a FROG in the playground and have a chat!
4. Find us at our next events – the Back to School BBQ Tuesday 19 September and School Open Day Friday 6 October.

We're looking forward  
to seeing you.



The FROGS

AGM DETAILS

2000hrs

Wednesday 27th September

Access via Zoom





***Ropley Church of England Primary School  
invites you to our***

# **Open Afternoon**

**On Friday 6th October 1:30pm - 3:00pm**

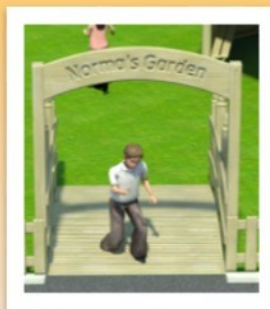
We look forward to welcoming a host of visitors including; villagers, parents (past, present and future), ex pupils, friends of the school and anyone else who would like to visit our wonderful school.

Come and see our **brand new**

***Wildlife and Spiritual Garden and our KS2 Canopies***

Visit the classrooms and see them in action! Take a look at the amazing outdoor equipment and traversing wall as well as the sports pitch and our stunning garden.

***'Norma's Garden' will be formally opened by her husband, Tim Day, at 3.00pm  
All members of our community, past and present, are welcome.***



**Tours will run from 1.30pm to 2.30pm.**

**If you have a child starting school in September 2024, you are welcome to join us for our Open Afternoon as well as booking an individual tour on a separate date with our headteacher.**

***We look forward to welcoming you to our school!***

Ropley Primary School, Church Street, Ropley, Hants, SO24 0DS  
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# Halloween Cooking Party at:

**25th Oct Compton Scout Hut 10-12**

**27th Oct Ropley Village Hall 10-12**



**Delicious  
Spooky  
Biscuits**



**Fun  
Halloween  
crafts**

Make, bake and decorate a spooky selection of Halloween biscuits.

Join in with our Halloween crafts - make your own scary mask, create your own mummy and personalise a Halloween bag.

**Best dressed wins a prize!**

Call Jo 07532490188

Email: Jo@cookstars.co.uk

Book online: <https://cook-stars-mid-hants.classforkids.io/camps>







# AMERY HILL SCHOOL

Education for Life



## Open Evening

Wednesday 20 September

## Open Mornings

Tuesday 26 and Wednesday 27 September

Thursday 12 October

Amery Hill School is a welcoming and supportive learning community where all students are encouraged to become independent, creative, active and resilient learners with the empathy to respond responsibly and morally to the challenges of this ever-changing world.



# Autumn Open Day Event 2023

Thursday 28th September

Morning Tour: 9:00 am – 10:30 am

Evening Tour: 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

We understand that choosing a Secondary school for your child is a difficult decision, which is why our Open Day events help to provide a real window into life at Perins School, giving you and your child a chance to explore our learning environment, meet some of our excellent teachers and students as well as viewing some of the new subjects your child will be learning.

For more information on registering for an event please visit our website [www.perins.net](http://www.perins.net)

Perins School, Pound Hill, Alresford, Hampshire SO24 9BS Tel: 01962 734361



## Eggar's School Autumn Open Events

**21 September 2023 Open Evening**

**22 September 2023 Open Morning**

**13 October 2023 Open Morning**

**Book Online**

**#TeamEggars**

**Belong**



**Aspire**



**Achieve**





Active  
Communities



## COMMUNITY SESSIONS

**Monday**

**£6**

<b>Minis</b>	Aged 4-7	17:30 - 18:15
<b>Juniors</b>	Aged 8-11	18:15 - 19:00



Book by visiting  
[bookings.activeme360.co.uk](https://bookings.activeme360.co.uk)

Starts Monday  
30th October  
and runs until  
11th December.

OR scan the QR code to book.



For more information or to book, visit:

[www.activeme360.com](https://www.activeme360.com)

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# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about LIVE STREAMING

Live streaming involves broadcasting and watching videos online in real time, often on social media or via platforms like YouTube and Twitch. Viewers can interact through comments, chats and reactions during the broadcast: such instant engagement makes this an exciting way to share experiences, learn from others and build digital communities. Despite the many positives, live streaming also creates a potential platform for unsuitable content and poses some risks to children: it's essential to keep privacy and safety in mind and comply with each site or app's age restrictions.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### LACK OF AGE VERIFICATION

Despite their age restrictions, some platforms don't require proof of age at sign up – meaning that anyone can register for an account (and potentially pretend to be older or younger than they actually are). In many cases, this means that young live streamers can never be totally certain exactly who they are broadcasting to and who is engaging with their live stream.

### DISCLOSING PERSONAL INFO

A characteristic of live streaming is the ability for videos to be instantly shared worldwide. Without the correct privacy settings enabled, a child could inadvertently reveal personal information or their location, making them vulnerable to online predators or identity theft. It's wise to regularly check the privacy settings (and what data is being shared) on any apps your child has signed up for.

### ANYTHING COULD HAPPEN

As the video streams are live, children might encounter (or inadvertently share) inappropriate content. Most live-streaming apps have rules to prevent this and monitor their services, also providing report buttons where content can be flagged for review. It may not be dealt with instantly, however, meaning that your child could be further exposed to harmful content during a live stream.

### UNAUTHORISED RECORDINGS

Each live streaming platform stores completed videos for different periods (Twitch saves broadcasts for 60 days, for example, while Facebook and YouTube remove them only at the creator's request). Deleting a video, though, doesn't always stop it from being shared: in some cases, streams have been illegally recorded (or screenshots taken) by certain viewers and redistributed on other sites.

### ROGUE CONTENT CREATORS

Children can also watch other people's live streams, which could potentially contain anything at any time (such as nudity, drug use or profanity). Most apps claim to monitor live streams and will stop any that don't adhere to their guidelines – but with millions of streams per day, it's complicated to regulate them all, so children could be exposed to inappropriate content without parents knowing.

### DANGER OF GROOMING

There are increasing reports of children being coerced into performing "suggestive acts" by strangers on some live-streaming apps. Due to the lack of verification required for certain apps, almost anyone can sign up to these services (including anonymously or under a fake identity). It's vital, therefore, to ensure the correct safety measures are in place before your child begins live streaming.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### PUT PRIVACY FIRST

Through the streaming app's settings, switch your child's account to 'private', so only their friends and followers can see their broadcasts. You could also turn off the live chat, shielding your child from any upsetting comments – although viewers' feedback is often seen as an integral part of the fun. Identify any nearby items (such as school uniforms or visible landmarks) that could give away your child's location.

### MANAGE MULTISTREAMING

Some apps and sites let users stream their content through multiple social media platforms at once. A broadcast on SteamYard, for example, can be shared on YouTube, Twitch, X and Facebook if the accounts are linked. The privacy settings can differ on each of these, so we'd suggest only streaming via one platform at a time to maintain greater control over who's watching your child's videos.

### GET INVOLVED YOURSELF

Research suggests a significant number of streams show a child on their own, often in a supposed safe space like their bedroom. If your child wants to live stream, ask if you could be present because you're interested in how it works. You could even set up your own account to gain a more detailed knowledge of what your child talks about in their live streams – and who they're broadcasting to.

### TALK ABOUT LIVE STREAMING

Try to start with positives before discussing potential risks. You could ask which live streaming apps your child likes and how they use them. Do they just watch streams or create their own? Explain why it's unwise to reveal personal information while streaming (even to friends). If you feel your child's too young for live streams, explain your reasoning to them and perhaps agree to review this decision in the future.

### CONSIDER THEIR ONLINE REPUTATION

As the broadcasts are live, it often causes the misconception among young people that whatever happens in their video simply 'vanishes' once the stream ends. However, videos can stay online indefinitely or be recorded by other users. It's important that your child understands what they do and say in a live stream could potentially damage their online reputation and, quite possibly, be seen by prospective future employers, colleges or universities.

## Meet Our Expert

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Source: <https://www.itw.org.uk/media/233362/distribution-of-captures-of-live-streamed-child-sexual-abuse-final.pdf>





## **PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING**

Every year, the Government allocates funding to schools to help address the national trend that disadvantaged students do not attain as highly as non-disadvantaged students. This valuable extra money is allocated to schools to provide additional or enhanced provision, so that no child is left behind in their education as a result of financial circumstances. This can include subsidising after school clubs and trips as well as providing additional learning support or resources in class, for example.

### **Eligibility criteria**

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Parents and carers can check eligibility simply and easily by visiting:

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants/>

and clicking on 'New Application'. Once you have input your details it will return an instant result and notify the school office electronically of your eligibility. If you would prefer us to check on your behalf, please email Mrs Burr with YOUR name, YOUR date of birth and YOUR national insurance number. We would like to reassure you that all applications made are confidential and no child is identified as a Pupil Premium child in any way in their day to day school life. Equally being entitled to free school meals does not mean your child has to eat a meal every day!

**Even if your child is in Year R, 1 or 2 and already entitled to Universal Free School Meals, if you think you might be entitled to this benefit please complete the form. This valuable extra funding ensures that we can offer many different types of support throughout the years your child is at our school and will ensure they continue to receive free school meals as they move into KS2.**

**Just one day of qualifying entitlement = 6 years of funding!  
Current funding = £1455 per child per academic year**