

APPRECIATION ❤️ **BELONGING** ❤️ **COMPASSION**

Let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions. 1 John 3:18

BEE RECOGNISED

In our Bee Book and in Celebration Worship this week the following children were recognised:

Bumblebees: **Freddie H** for brilliant learning in phonics this week with his reading skills, keep it up!

Honey Bees: **Zac C** for sitting so well and writing his numbers yesterday. He showed that not giving up works. Well done!

Carpenter Bees: **Willow S** for brilliant learning in maths this week. You have been super engaged, always had your hand up to answer questions and haven't given up when it got a little tricky. Keep up the super work, Willow!

Year 3: **Hattie B** for some amazing English work this week! She has been focussed and has created some fantastic expanded noun phrases and similes to bring the story to life.

Tabatha H for bee-ing a fabulous learning partner. Not only has she done some brilliant learning of her own this week, but she has been able to help others on her table with their learning as well. Keep being a superstar, Tabatha!

Year 4: **Fraser M, Will H, Alfred DH & Samuel P** for excellent composition in English this week. They wrote fantastic similes creating vivid images for the reader and even included some personification!

Scott C for working very hard in maths this week. He is now able to subtract 4 digit numbers with exchanging. Well done!

Year 5: **Lucy W** for her writing that creates great tension and intrigue.

Ayanna NC & Finley N for their perseverance.

Rafferty H for an improvement in focus, resulting in greater productivity and accuracy.

Year 6: **James B** for his excellent, informative poster about the artist Hobusai. It was eye catching, bright and beautifully presented.

Thom C, Evan G & Ralph D for showing perseverance and resilience when learning long division this week, they worked really hard to master the steps and can now confidently divide with large numbers.

Claude W for his fantastic geography work. He produced a detailed cross section drawing of the earth which clearly showed the earth's different layers.

WESSEX ROTARY SHOE BOX APPEAL

Thank you so much to all the parents and members of our local community who supported the Wessex Rotary Shoe Box Appeal. Our School Council chose this as their charity to support this year.

The School Councillors led a worship to introduce the appeal to the children and also had a stand at our open afternoon. On Wednesday, they led worship again to update the school on the success of the appeal before handing over a fantastic **44 boxes** which is absolutely amazing! This is the first step in achieving our Global Neighbours Award.

All of the boxes will make their way to displaced and disadvantaged children in Eastern Europe who will not enjoy a happy Christmas this year. Thank you, from James at Wessex Rotary, for your generosity in spreading a little happiness.





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

Arlo D **James B**
Sienna J

*Thank you to **Felix M** who has donated 2 fantastic books to the library for his birthday. Mrs Howling will add a sticker to the front with his name 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>

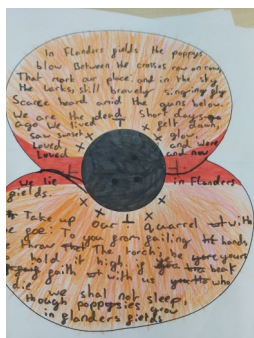
INCLUSION HUB

Please join Mrs Hayes for an Inclusion Hub coffee morning on **Monday 6th November at 9am - 10am**. The purpose of the group is to support parents with children with SEND, but it is also inclusive to parents who have a concern or parenting issue at home/school. It is an opportunity for parents to connect and share useful strategies. It will be hosted in the staff room, tea and coffee provided for a small donation, or you are welcome to bring your own drinks/cakes. We aim to host an Inclusion Hub every 4 weeks. The follow up to this meeting will be on **Monday 8th January 2024**.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

We have a number of child friendly, Remembrance Day items in the entrance lobby, including traditional poppies. There are no pins in the box, if you would like your child to wear a poppy, please send in a safety pin. Please make a suitable donation in the collection tin.

All parents and carers are also invited to join our **Remembrance Service on Friday 10th November at 9.15am, at St Peter's**. Please make your way to the church after drop off and the children will arrive once they have been registered and lunch orders are complete.



MENU CHANGE

MONDAY 6TH NOVEMBER

We will be offering the following meal options on Monday:

Pizza Catherine Wheels (R)

Macaroni Cheese (G)

Jacket Potato with beans (B)

Firework Iced Sponge



DIARY DATES

New dates or changes in bold

Mon 6th Nov	Inclusion Hub with Mrs Hayes 9am at school
Mon 13th Nov	INSET Day
Fri 10th Nov	Remembrance Service, 9.15am, St Peter's Church. All Welcome
Fri 17th Nov	Children In Need Day
Wed 22nd Nov	Full Governing Body Meeting, 6pm
Fri 24th Nov	Santa's Grotto & Christmas Fair
Tue 28th Nov	Ukelele Concert to Parents, 11am CARPENTER BEE CHILDREN ONLY
Fri 1st Dec	House Cross Country, 2pm Community Advent Concert, St Peter's Church, 7.30pm
Tues 5th Dec	FROGS Christmas Wreath Workshops
Thur 7th Dec	Infant Nativity to Parents, 9.30am Village Hall
Wed 13th Dec	PANTO TIME! - Snow White at The Mayflower, 2pm
Thur 14th Dec	Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
Fri 15th Dec	Christmas Service for Parents, 11am Break for Christmas, 12.30pm Return to School Spring 1
Tues 2nd Jan	Inclusion Hub with Mrs Hayes
Mon 8th Jan	9am at school
Wed 31st Jan	Year 6 Height & Weight
Fri 2nd Feb	FROGS Evening Social and Quiz
Fri 9th Feb	Break for Half Term
Mon 19th Feb	INSET Day
Tues 20th Feb	Return to School Spring 2
Thur 28th Mar	Break for Easter
Mon 15th Apr	Return to School Summer 1
Fri 24th May	INSET Day Break for Half Term

COMMUNITY ADVENT CONCERT

ST PETER'S CHURCH, ROPLEY

FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER 7.30PM

Start off the Christmas season with a fun evening of music and festive spirit at the Community Advent Concert.

Tickets are just £5

There will be choral items performed by the Ropley King's Singers, audience carols and readings.

Doors and the bar open at 6.45pm.

Buy your tickets here:

<https://www.stpetersropleyvenue.org.uk/buy-tickets>

ALL AGE SERVICE

SUNDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER, 4PM

ST PETER'S CHURCH, ROPLEY

ALL WELCOME



NEWS FROM THE HIVE

The weather hasn't been too good this week so we haven't spent much time outside. We have, however, been playing games in the hall to burn off some energy such as, soft football, what's the time Mr Wolf, and badminton.

Our Bumblebee children have settled well into Breakfast and After school club and are getting used to our daily routines. The older children have taken them under their wing to help them to feel part of our Extended Day family, which is lovely to see.



We have had a busy week decorating biscuits as monsters for Halloween, the children used icing, marshmallows, sprinkles and edible googly eyes. They have also been making firework pictures, using cotton wool buds and coloured paint, there were lots of autumn pictures to colour in, such as, hedgehogs, pumpkins and leaves. We now have a lovely autumnal display on our noticeboard!



There have been lots of other activities and games which all the children have enjoyed playing with this week. The pool table, which has been a favourite, Hama beads, Lego, Dragon Lego, various board games such as, Guess Who, Snakes and Ladders, Dobble and Top Trumps.



The soldiers and wooden castle blocks have been very popular with some of the children this week, they have built amazing castles and forts for the soldiers. It did keep them busy and engaged for ages!!



We always ask the children what they would like to play with and get their favourite toys and games out for them, as well as introducing them to different play experiences throughout the week with activities they may not normally try.



REMINDERS

Please ensure that you collect your children at 6pm Monday-Thursday and Friday at 4.30pm. You will be charged a late pick up fee if you collect your child late. If for any reason you are going to be late, we would appreciate a phone call. Just dial the normal school number - 01962 772381 - then select Option 3 for Extended Day. **THIS IS ONLY AVAILABLE DURING EXTENDED DAY SESSION HOURS.** If you need to leave a message during the normal school hours, please speak to the school office who will pass the message onto us when we arrive at 3pm.

A reminder that if your child arrives at **breakfast club between 8.15am and 8.30am**, they will only be offered toast or cereal. This allows the children time to eat and also the staff time to clear up and put everything away as the Hive is also used as a classroom every morning. Although we do offer a variety of options at breakfast club, such as porridge, bacon sandwiches, fresh fruit, yoghurt etc, it is simply not possible to offer this variety after 8.15am. Children arriving after 8.30am will not be offered food.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Extended Day Team

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

FIVE NIGHTS AT FREDDY'S

AGE RESTRICTION
PEGI
12

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Five Nights at Freddy's is a series of indie point-and-click horror games whose word-of-mouth success and widespread spin-off content on YouTube have helped each of the nine instalments so far to sell almost five million copies on Steam (the PC gaming platform) alone. Set in various deserted locations at night, with creepy animatronic characters suddenly coming to life, the games are rated PEGI 12 for disturbing/violent content, mild profanity and horror themes.

FRIGHTENING THEMES

Five Nights at Freddy's (FNaF for short) doesn't feature bloodshed like many horror games – but it does build tension and use jump scares, which may be too intense for young players. The sinister animatronic characters and the sensation of being trapped and defenceless could be particularly unsettling, as could the inclusion of disturbing elements such as murder or possession by evil spirits.

STRESSFUL SITUATIONS

Due to FNaF's suspenseful atmosphere, it can be extremely stressful for players. Constantly checking that one's surroundings are safe is a crucial part of the gameplay and could create residual stress or even obsessive-compulsive behaviours. Several media reports have suggested that some younger children have experienced severe nightmares or sleep anxiety after playing games from the series.

IN-GAME SPENDING

FNaF doesn't foreground in-game purchasing as strongly as many other well-known games, but some titles in the series do offer additional content that promises to enhance the experience. Five Nights at Freddy's: Help Wanted, for instance, is complemented by a Halloween-themed expansion pack called 'Curse of Dreadbear' (costing £8.99), which unlocks new levels and mini-games.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

18

As a result of FNaF's popularity, a sizeable YouTube community based on fan-made content has developed around the game. While the majority of this material is still child friendly, there are a number of channels which are geared more towards mature audiences: they contain adult and disturbing themes, for example, and (in some cases) age-inappropriate language.

PLAYING IN ISOLATION

Many parents will be relieved to learn that Five Nights at Freddy's is a single-player game which doesn't include any online chat functionality. Conversely, however, this could also make playing FNaF quite an isolating experience – especially if your child is spending a lot of time investigating the game's spooky, shadowy environments alone in their room, for example.

Advice for Parents & Carers

USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Five Nights at Freddy's doesn't have conventional parental controls. However, if you're concerned about the potential impacts of the game's themes and content, you can simply choose not to let your child play it. If they use an Android or iOS device for gaming, you can adjust Apple and Google's built-in parental controls to restrict your child's access to certain content.

TRY IT YOURSELF

Every child is different, of course, so it could be worth playing Five Nights at Freddy's yourself for a while to gauge how your young gamer might cope with the series' more frightening and disturbing aspects. If they're old enough, you could spend some time playing it together – after all, it usually only takes between two and ten minutes to complete a level.

LIMIT SPENDING

Unlike many popular titles, Five Nights at Freddy's doesn't bombard players with tempting in-game purchase offers. It's worth noting, however, that some instalments in the series do provide the option for players to spend real-world money. With that in mind, it's important to either keep a close eye on your child's expenditure or limit their access to digital payment options.

SPOT THE SIGNS

If you're concerned that your child might be spending too much time on Five Nights at Freddy's, or you're worried that the game's scary themes are taking a toll, watch out for warning signs. Young people may start to prioritise gaming over everyday essentials like schoolwork or sleep; irritability or a lack of concentration could also indicate that their gaming sessions are going on too long.

TALK ABOUT THE RISKS

Before you allow your child to play Five Nights at Freddy's, it's wise to have a conversation about the game so that they're aware of the potential risks. Ensure that your child understands that the series is purposely designed to be tense and unsettling, and that they should stop or take a break if the intensity of the gameplay is making them feel uncomfortable or putting them on edge.

Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced technology journalist with a track record of more than 10 years in the industry. Previously the editor of tech tabloid The Inquirer, Carly is now a freelance technology journalist, editor and consultant.



NOS
National Online Safety®
#WakeUpWednesday

Manor Colts Football Club

A brand new girls football team is currently being formed for Y3!

To register your interest email:
richard.d.platt@gmail.com





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**