

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

Find time to stop and thank the people who make a difference in our lives

BEE RECOGNISED

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

Bumblebees: **James S** for bee-ing such a delightful boy to have in class. James listens well and tries his very best in his learning. Keep up the great work, James!

Niamh B for bee-ing a superstar singer and listener in our Nativity practice this week. Well done.

Rory C for making lovely progress with his writing this week, well done.

Honey Bees: **Amelia N** for 'outstanding' work in English this week. You have used all of the skills we have been learning and applied them to create an amazing description. It wowed us!

Olive H for excellent determination in maths this week. You have worked hard to understand subtraction and have tried different methods to see which helps you best. Well done!

Carpenter Bees: **Theo H** for trying his hardest to be ready, respectful and safe at all times. Theo has also worked really hard at becoming an independent learner, always trying really hard first before asking for help. Your resilience and confidence in your self has been noticed, keep it up!

Year 3 Class: **Finn C & Etta B** for bee-ing fabulous writing partners this week. They have worked collaboratively with their partner not only to create but also perform some fantastic poems. Keep up the hard work!

Year 4 Class: **Nikolas M** for working hard to become a resilient learner. He is working confidently in lessons and using his own initiative to solve problems. That's fantastic!

Fraser M for bee-ing such a helpful member of Year 4 and Honeycomb Class this week. We really appreciate what you are doing to make our school a better place. The writing he's done in English lessons has been excellent too.

Micky N for consistently bee-ing the BEST he can be; he is friendly and cheerful every day making other people feel better as well as producing high quality work in all lessons.

Year 5: **Ellie N, Harry R, Ray G** for making lots of progress in maths, after showing perseverance and determination, with an increase in productivity. Well done.

Year 6 Class: **Ralph D** for really pushing himself in maths this week when working with fractions. He has listened carefully and then applied what he has learnt to successfully add and subtract tricky mixed number fractions.

Ewan C and Jack W for bee-ing excellent mathematicians. They have worked hard to apply their fraction knowledge to complicated multi-step problems showing great resilience and perseverance.

FROGS CHRISTMAS FAIR

Thank you to everyone who came along to Frogs Christmas Fair this afternoon. What an amazing festive event it has been. There were lots of stalls to visit, both inside and out, the new canopies and Norma's Garden looked really festive with the twinkling lights and tinsel and the children visited the most amazing Santa's Grotto!

Every child was given a festive cookie and a hot drink during the afternoon as well as being given the opportunity to look around the stalls with their class. Our Year 6's also became Festive Elves for the afternoon, helping our younger children when visiting Santa and also helping on the stalls. Well done to all of them! All of the money raised today goes towards enriching every child's time at Ropley. From the upcoming Panto through to the laptops the children use every day, books for the library to sports equipment, headphones & a new laptop trolley, Norma's Garden & coaches for events, and much, much more. Frogs fundraising is a significant part of making Ropley the special place it is for us all. A very big thank you to them all for their hard work and endless support.



MENU CHANGE MONDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

Meat Free sausages are currently unavailable so instead of sausages the kitchen will be offering:

Meat Free Burger in a Bap

Please make your child aware of this change.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

Robin G
Daisy A

Lucy W
Gigi G

A very big thank you to Gigi G who has donated a set of colouring pencils and felt tips from our wishlist, for her birthday gift to school. Thank you Gigi, your class will make good use of them!

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

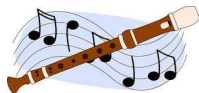
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REMINDER

Carpenter Bee class have been learning the recorder this term as part of their music provision. They will be showcasing their newly learnt talent to their parents on

Tuesday 28th November
11.00am

We hope to see as many Carpenter Bee parents and carers as possible. Please arrive at 10.55am.



PANTO REMINDER WEDNESDAY 13TH DECEMBER

The whole school will be visiting the Mayflower Theatre on this day to see Snow White, featuring Diversity and Christopher Biggins! The Mayflower Theatre pantomime is a show of spectacular effects, sensational song and dance numbers and lots of audience participation. Last year's visit was a resounding success and is only made possible by the support of our amazing FROGS and their substantial donation which pays for a significant portion of the costs to visit a show of this calibre.



This year we are asking for a payment of only £10 per child. This is incredible value for money and will be an experience that your child will remember for a very long time! To date, there is £360 still outstanding. With the end of the month rapidly approaching, please can we ask you to make the payment as soon as possible so that we can put in place our final plans. Payment can be made via your Scipay account or in cash to the school office.

Full details of the timings on the day will be sent out at the beginning of December.

DIARY DATES

New dates or changes in bold

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| Tue 28th Nov | Recorder 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 |
| Fri 8th Dec | Final Soccer Schools Session |
| Tue 12th Dec | Yr1 to visit Brendoncare, Alton |
| 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 |
| Tues 2nd Jan | Return to School Spring 1 |
| Thur 4th Jan | Multisports Club starts, 3.15-4.15pm |
| Fri 5th Jan | KS1 Football Club starts, 3.15-4.15pm |
| Mon 8th Jan | Inclusion Hub with Mrs Hayes |
| | 9am at school |
| Mon 8th Jan | KS2 Football Club starts, 3.15-4.15pm |
| Wed 31st Jan | Runways End Activity Day, Yrs 3, 4 & 5 |
| | Year 6 Height & Weight |

GYMNASTIC CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to **Eleanor H** who won a bronze medal at her first gymnastics competition last weekend in the 6 year old artistic prep group at the Winter Neon Gymnastics Competition 2023. She competed in floor, beam and vault and was fabulous, we are super proud of her! Well done Eleanor.



ONLINE COURSES AND WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS

We have been sent details of lots of different courses, both online and in person, to support parents promote positive mental health in their young person. These courses include:

- * Positive sleep for your autistic child
- * Self harming
- * OCD with Hampshire CAMHS
- * Better Sleep

For full details and dates please visit our website. The link is here:

[Online Courses and Workshops for Parents](#)



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Wreath Making Workshops

ST PETERS CHURCH
ROPLEY, SO24 0DS

Tuesday the 5th of December
11.30am - 1.30pm
or
7pm - 9pm

Make a Wreath, or Table Centrepiece, £45

Tickets include all supplies needed,
full tutorial and guidance, and **most importantly**,
drinks and festive nibbles.

Book via Classlist,
or email
ropleyfrogs@gmail.com

Unable to make either session? Host a wreath making party at home, or get a takeaway sack, with everything you need to make a beautiful wreath, including instructions, for £35 per person.

Alresford Rotary

email: indri50@me.com Phone: 07743 698841 Website: <https://alresford-rotary.org>

To all at Ropley Church of England Primary School

Thank you all from Alresford Rotary for your gift of 45 Christmas shoeboxes of presents for disadvantaged and displaced children in eastern Europe. Many of your boxes will be going to Ukrainian children who are refugees, as well as to those who are in need in the countries of destination. It's been wonderful to have had your school "on board" this year and to see the publicity in the Alton Herald. Hopefully we can do it again next year!

Your 45 boxes joined 406 others collected by Alresford Rotary and were taken to a collection point in Boscombe on 11th November where they added to a further 18,218 boxes collected by Rotary Wessex and very shortly those 18,669 boxes will be on their way to bring happiness to children living in difficult circumstances, many of whom will never previously have been given a present!

Although we are Alresford Rotary we consider our "patch" to include all the local villages and we are keen to help such communities. Each year we are able to give several thousands of pounds to help local, as well as international, needs so please don't hesitate to let us know if there is anything we can help with. Unless you let us know, we can't help you and the worst that can happen is that we turn down your request! Similarly, from time to time, we are able to undertake simple projects such as the recent transformation of a neglected border at the entrance to Perins school.

Alresford Rotary wants to make a greater contribution to the wider mid Hampshire Community. Please let us know how we can and if you would, on a regular or occasional basis, like to help us to do so!

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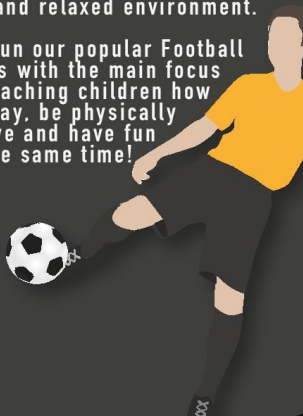
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KS2 FOOTBALL ASC

Soccer Schools UK will be running our KS2 after-school football club from January through to March at Ropley Primary School.

These clubs are for boys & girls who attend the school and want to participate in more sport in a fun and relaxed environment.

We run our popular Football clubs with the main focus of teaching children how to play, be physically active and have fun at the same time!



CONTACT US

admin@soccerschools-uk.com
TELEPHONE - 07463 237878
BOOK ONLINE
www.soccerschools-uk.com/booking

PLEASE NOTE - There are only 16 spaces available at the club, we operate a first come, first served policy. If demand is high, a second coach will be sourced.

SESSIONS

EVERY MONDAY!
08/01/24 - 25/03/24
15:15 - 16:15pm
10 SESSIONS (£5 PER SESSION)
INSET DAYS - 19/02/24
TOTAL - £50 PER CHILD

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KS1 & KS2 MULTI-SPORTS ASC

Soccer Schools UK will be running our KS1 & KS2 after-school Multi Sports Club from January through to March at Ropley Primary School.

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SESSIONS

EVERY THURSDAY!
04/01/24 - 28/03/24
15:15 - 16:15pm
12 SESSIONS (£5 PER SESSION)
TOTAL - £60 PER CHILD

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KS1 FOOTBALL ASC

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SESSIONS

EVERY FRIDAY!
05/01/24 - 22/03/24
15:15 - 16:15pm
11 SESSIONS (£5 PER SESSION)
TOTAL - £55 PER CHILD

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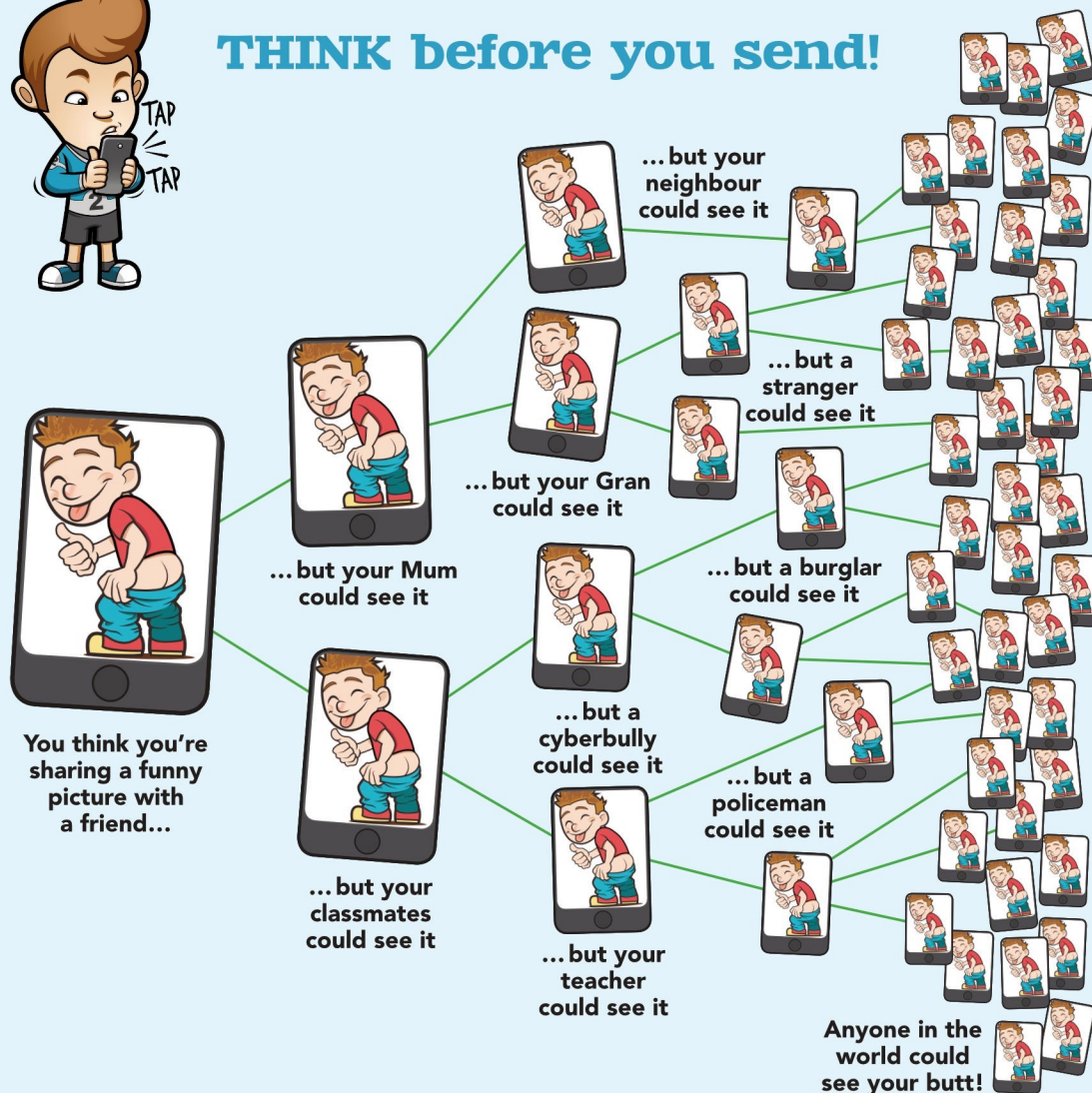


YEAR R CHILDREN MAY SIGN UP!

Parent Guides to Online Safety



THINK before you send!



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online



If you share it, you are involved

If you have, or forward an indecent image of someone under 18, it is a criminal offence. It can affect your future.

Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

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Reindeer Run Alton



**Sunday 17 December, 9am
Jubilee Playing Field, Alton**

Join us for a festive family-friendly 3k
run in Alton to raise funds for your local
Hospice!



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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SMART TVs

Smart TVs connect to the internet without the need for a set-top box or streaming device, letting users access a range of features through the TV set itself: from on-demand content apps like BBC iPlayer to streaming services such as Netflix, as well as connecting to smartphones and other wireless devices. Most new televisions are internet enabled – so whether you're thinking of upgrading your home viewing system or buying an additional TV for your child's room, it's now even more important to consider the online safety aspects.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

From Netflix to Disney+ to Prime Video, there is a plethora of streaming services available. While these services offer content catering for younger viewers, they also provide material for more mature audiences. If you don't have parental controls set up on your accounts, your child could find themselves being exposed to shows and movies with adult themes, strong language and violence.

INCREASED SCREEN TIME

The array of content available through smart TVs could lead to your child spending excessive amounts of time in front of the screen. Not only can prolonged screen time distract from important activities such as schoolwork or exercise, but experts have also warned that endless hours in front of the box can lead to health problems including obesity, poor sleeping patterns and depression.

REMOTE-CONTROL RETAIL

Like many online devices, smart TVs facilitate digital purchases: buying a new app or the latest season of a favourite show, for example. If your child has access to a bank card and isn't restricted by spending controls on the system, they could run up a sizeable bill through a smart TV fairly quickly – especially if they're not quite old enough to fully appreciate the value of money.

UNCONVINCING SECURITY

As Internet of Things (IoT) devices, smart TVs can be uniquely vulnerable to attack. Experts warn that internet-enabled TVs tend not to support high-level security software, so you won't always be able to download strong antivirus programmes like you would on a phone or computer. Being targeted by hackers could be deeply upsetting for your child, as well as putting their personal data at risk.

A SILENT SPY?

Some smart TVs already collect data on users' viewing habits and then display targeted advertising based on that personal information – while there have also been reports of internet-enabled TVs (and the apps installed on them) being used to 'eavesdrop' on owners. In models with a built-in microphone (for voice activation), third parties could potentially listen in on someone's home life.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

Many smart TVs can be used for web browsing, social media and live streaming – all of which could allow unknown users to contact your child (or vice versa). If your child engages with these functions of the TV, a stranger could potentially discover their contact information and potentially then use it to obtain even more sensitive personal details, such as your home address.

Advice for Parents & Carers

MAKE IT A FAMILY THING

Family TV time is a great way to model the responsible enjoyment of technology – showing your child how to use the smart TV safely for when they're old enough to watch it independently. You could also take this opportunity to establish some healthy TV boundaries, such as time limits on their daily viewing or how to make sure they're only watching content that's appropriate for their age.

SET UP PARENTAL CONTROLS

It's likely that your smart TV has built-in parental controls, which not only let you filter out age-inappropriate shows, movies and games but can also restrict in-app purchasing, so your child can't accidentally spend money through the device. When you've enabled these safeguards, have an open conversation with your child about the reasons, helping them to understand the potential risks.

CREATE CHILD PROFILES

Much like with smartphones and tablets, apps can be downloaded onto smart TVs: from free content platforms such as BBC iPlayer to paid-for services like Prime Video. Most of these apps allow you to create a separate account for your child which has different settings to your own – suggesting more child-friendly material and reducing the possibility of them viewing explicit content.

CONSIDER THE LOCATION

If you're concerned about the online safety hazards that a smart TV might pose to your child, you could consider where in your home you put the device. The safest option would be to place the smart TV in a shared family space – so that an adult is usually nearby and able to supervise while your child's watching it – rather than in the relative privacy of a bedroom.

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.



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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**