

Friday 26th January 2024

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*I am the bread of life, he who comes to me shall never hunger*



## BEE RECOGNISED

**In our Bee Book and in Celebration Worship this week:**

**Bumblebees:** **Jenson K** for some wonderful learning in art this week. He listened carefully when exploring colour mixing and what happens when you add white to a colour. Well done!

**Alex M** for having an amazing week. He has shown great enthusiasm with his learning and created a super concert with his friends.

**Rosa W** for believing in herself this week. She has stepped out of her comfort zone a couple of times, making lovely progress and more friendships along the way. Well done Rosa!

**Honey Bees:** **Amelia N** for writing a fantastic letter and using adventurous vocabulary. You used all of your prior learning to ensure you included everything you needed.

**Hudson R** for having a fantastic, positive attitude to learning all week. You have tried hard and worked independently to prove yourself that you can do it! You've even said 'I think I've smashed this' several times this week!

**Carpenter Bees:** **Teddy M** for really pushing into his challenge zone in maths. He shows real perseverance in his learning and doesn't give up which is brilliant to see. Keep it up Teddy!

**William R** for having an amazing attitude to his writing. He really shows confidence in himself and his abilities and he has used his sound mat and word banks to write some lovely sentences independently. Well done, William!

**Year 3:** **William M** for having a really positive attitude to his learning this week. He has come into school with a smile and has taken on each challenge to really be the best he can be!

**Katie A** for some fantastic reading this week. Not only could she fluently read but she could also retell different stories confidently. Brilliant job, Katie!

**Year 4:** **Nikolas M** for having such a positive attitude towards his learning this week. His pace of work has improved greatly and when things have been tricky he is showing real determination to overcome the challenges. Super work!

**Arthur M** for his excellent contributions in lessons this week, especially in maths. He has shared his strategies when dividing 2 and 3 digit numbers and his systematic use of the written methods we've been learning has meant he's made great progress.

**Ziva P** for bee-ing a brilliant writing partner in English. She shares ideas freely and is always encouraging; meaning the work she produces is an excellent standard.

**Year 5:** **Hugo C, Chase B, Ayanna NC and Ivy B** for showing great perseverance and excellent listening when learning and mastering long multiplication.

**Year 6:** **Thom C and James B** for their handwriting. Thom has worked really hard to gain his pen licence and James for continuing to put in lots of hardwork and effort to achieve his soon.

**Annabel G and Olivia W** for sharing thoughtful and interesting contributions during our shared reading sessions. It was lovely to hear your thoughts and ideas.

## WELCOME TO

We are delighted that **Laura Silk** will be joining our support team at the beginning of February. Laura is already well known to many of you as mum to Zeph and Elsie, but also as an active member of FROGS and also the Tadpoles Committee! Laura will be working across the school supporting the children in various classes. We look forward to welcoming her to the team!

## FROGS QUIZ NIGHT

**See poster on page 4 for more details**

Our Quiz Master and his team are looking forward to welcoming you to the **FROGS Back to School quiz** next **Friday 2 February** at St Peter's Church. Tuck Shop (bar) opens at 7:15pm and prizes will be awarded for best fancy dress! Winning quiz team and best fancy dress prizes sponsored by house. Partnership and "School Dinner" kindly provided by Tichborne Arms, included in ticket price. If you haven't managed to get a table together or are new to school we are accepting single ticket sales, please email [ropleyfrogs@gmail.com](mailto:ropleyfrogs@gmail.com) or ask FROGS/your class rep. It's set to be a great evening with lots of funds raised for school too.

**Sales close Monday 29 January.**

## GIRLS FOOTBALL NEWS

This week it was the girls' turn to play a friendly football match against Four Marks girls. Our girls have little experience of playing as a team together, but they were enthusiastic and encouraged each other brilliantly! Sadly, they didn't win their game, but they were good sports and congratulated Four Marks at the end of the game and came away with big smiles. We are very proud of you, girls! Well done to **Annabel G, Mary B, Lucy W, Skyla S, Georgie H and Beau B.**





## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

**Rosie R**

**Etta B**

**Freya C**

*Thank you to **Jake S** for the fabulous book he has donated to the library for his birthday, along with a very welcome box of glue sticks for his class.*

*Thank you also to **Freya C** and **Etta B** who have also donated books for their birthday.*

*Mrs Howling will put sticker in the front of the books with their names on.*

*And, finally, thank you to **Ettie D** and **Sophia M** who have donated some books from their home library.*

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

<https://amzn.eu/bXvpSme>

## MEASLES

You may have seen on the news recently that cases of measles are on the rise across the country. The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has now declared a national incident in order to focus actions to limit the spread. Further outbreaks of measles will spread to other towns and cities unless urgent action is taken to increase Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccination uptake in areas at greatest risk. Children who get measles can be very poorly and some will suffer life changing complications.

To support this incident the Department of Education (DfE) has published the following guidance for parents and for schools:

[What to do if you think your child has measles and when to keep them off school](#)

We have also included this link on our website under the [Parents Tab - Child Illnesses and Coming to School](#).

If you have any concerns about your child's health please consult with your GP.

## NORMA'S GARDEN—THE NEXT STEP...

### **WANTED!**

Before we can begin actual planting, we do need some materials. If you have any of these items at home, or are willing to purchase them, please let us know asap:

- ♦ **Soil Conditioner (enough for 34 sq m)**
- ♦ **Scaffold Boards x 3**
- ♦ **Paving Slabs x 17 (any sizes or colours, even odd ones!)**
- ♦ **Garden Wire and Eyelets (For Climbing roses)**
- ♦ **Gravel (approx 10 bags)**
- ♦ **A long, retractable hose (min 50m)**

## DIARY DATES

**New dates or changes in bold**

<b>Mon 29th Jan</b>	<b>KS1 Maths Workshop for Parents 9am</b>
Wed 31st Jan	Runways End Activity Day, Yrs 3, 4 & 5 Year 6 Height & Weight
<b>Fri 2nd Feb</b>	<b>FROGS Evening Social and Quiz</b>
Tues 6th Feb	Safer Internet Day
Wed 7th Feb	Year 6 Flight Simulator Experience
Fri 9th Feb	Pancake Races Break for Half Term
Mon 19th Feb	INSET Day
Tues 20th Feb	Return to School Spring 2
Thur 29th Feb	Last Teacher Led Club Session
Fri 1st Mar	House Cross Country, 2pm
Thur 7th Mar	World Book Day
Wed 13th Mar	Parents Evening 3.30pm-6.30pm
Thur 14th Mar	Parents Evening 3.30pm-6.30pm
Fri 15th Mar	Comic Relief Day
Wed 20th Mar	Full Governing Body Meeting
Thur 28th Mar	Easter Performance to Parents at St Peter's, 9.30am Open Afternoon for parents to view Children's books, 2pm
Thur 28th Mar	Break for Easter
Mon 15th Apr	Return to School Summer 1
<b>Wed 22nd May</b>	<b>Year 4 &amp; 5 Dress Rehearsal</b>
<b>Thur 23rd May</b>	<b>Founders Day</b> <b>Year 4 &amp; 5 Performance, 6.15pm</b>
Fri 24th May	INSET Day Break for Half Term
Mon 3rd June	Return to School Summer 2
<b>Wed 19th June</b>	<b>New Year R Parents Meeting, 6pm</b>
<b>Tues 25th June</b>	<b>Move On Morning No 1</b>
<b>Fri 28th June</b>	<b>Sports Day, 2pm</b>
<b>Wed 3rd July</b>	<b>Move On Morning No 2</b>
<b>Tues 9th July</b>	<b>Move On Morning No 3 (New Yr R)</b>
<b>Wed 10th July</b>	<b>Year 6 Leavers Performance (TBC)</b>
<b>Fri 12th July</b>	<b>Thank You Tea Party, 2pm</b>
<b>Fri 19th July</b>	<b>Year 6 Leavers Service, St Peters 9.30am</b>
<b>Tue 23rd July</b>	<b>Break for Summer</b>
<b>Mon 2nd Sept</b>	<b>Return to School for 2024/45</b>

## MATHS AND PHONICS WORKSHOPS

Thank you to all the parents who attended this week's KS2 maths and EYFS phonics workshops. KS1 maths workshop will be held on **Monday 29th January**, at 9am. Please let us know by email if you are attending. For those of you that are interested, but were unable to attend, the powerpoint for the workshops has now been uploaded to our website under the Curriculum tab. For further support, please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance.



# NEWS FROM THE HIVE ....



The weather hasn't been too bad this week and we have managed to get outside to get some fresh air and play games.

We've played football on the top court, lots of running, jumping and climbing to keep warm, hide and seek, netball and tag.

We have made use of the hall this week. The children have had lots of fun playing badminton, ping pong, table tennis and soft football.

We are exploring winter this term. There have been lots of winter art and craft activities out this week. Winter themed colouring, junk modelling and some of the children at breakfast club have made snowman pictures and snowflakes, which are displayed on our board in the Hive, please do come and have a look. The children love to see their masterpieces on display!



Some of our younger children have enjoyed our shop and café role playing area. The older children made menus and price lists, the younger children served the food and were excited to use the interactive tills and money.

There have also been lots of other activities set out for the children to play with such as, Lego, Hama beads, play dough, board games, pool table and lots of other fun activities. The children always get to choose what they would like to play with.

## 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.

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*







# FROGS QUIZ NIGHT





## BACK TO SCHOOL!

**Please submit team name, members & food choices/allergies by email (meat or veg curry) by Monday 29 Jan**

Best fancy dress & quiz prizes sponsored by house. Partnership

Tickets £12 pp/£72 team of 6 - cash & card

No cheating! Detentions/forfeits will be given!



Friday 2 February 2024, 7:15pm

St Peter's Church, Ropley




TUCK SHOP & BAR OPENS 7:15PM

QUIZ 8PM

"SCHOOL DINNER" INCLUDED,

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# FEBRUARY HALF TERM WEEK!

**DODGEBALL,  
GYMNASTICS &  
AFCON WEEK**



SOCCER SCHOOLS UK ARE RUNNING THEIR POPULAR  
**FOOTBALL & MULTI-SPORT CAMPS** ON THE FOLLOWING  
DAYS DURING THE FEBRUARY HALF TERM PERIOD



## FEBRUARY HALF TERM CAMP

### DATES

MONDAY 12TH FEBRUARY

TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY

WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY

THURSDAY 15TH FEBRUARY

FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY

### COST

£20 PER CHILD, PER DAY  
(STANDARD DAY)

£28 PER CHILD, PER DAY  
(EXTENDED DAY)

### STANDARD HOURS

DROP OFF FROM 8:45am - 9:30am

COLLECTION FROM 3:15pm - 4pm

### EXTENDED HOURS

EARLY DROP OFF FROM 8:15am-8:45pm (£5)

LATE COLLECTION TO 4pm -4:45pm (£5)

FULL EXTENDED DAY 8:15am-4:45pm (£8)

## INFO

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR  
HOLIDAY CAMP PROCEDURES, THE  
FORMAT OF THE DAY AND WHAT TO  
BRING, PLEASE CHECK THE HOLIDAY  
CAMPS SECTION, OF OUR WEBSITE-

[www.soccerschoos-uk.com/booking](http://www.soccerschoos-uk.com/booking)

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## Parent/Carer Autism Online Workshops

Whether your child is awaiting a diagnosis or has already been diagnosed, these workshops are a great opportunity to learn more about Autism & ask questions within a supportive group of other parents & carers.

- **Week 1 - An introduction to Autism**

An opportunity to explore what Autism is, the many strengths and the differences that make each child so wonderfully unique.

- **Week 2 - Communication**

Identifying what communication is and the different communication methods that may be helpful for Autistic children.

- **Week 3 - Sensory Processing**

Explaining the 8 sensory systems, how the environment can impact on a child with sensory processing differences/challenges and strategies to meet an individual's sensory needs.

- **Week 4 - Pathological Demand Avoidance**

A look into the interesting subject of PDA, how this may present and what is the best approach to take to avoid conflict.

**Workshops will be held on a Monday evening from 7:30-8:30pm via Zoom.**

You can benefit from all 4 workshops for just £100 and you will receive a certificate of attendance after the final workshop.

We are only running the 4-week programme in February, March and April.

**To book your place...** Email [enquiries@theautismtrainingnetwork.com](mailto:enquiries@theautismtrainingnetwork.com) with the month you would like to attend, and you will be sent the link to book on.





# SMARTPHONE SAFETY TIPS

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You may have been lucky enough to have unwrapped a smartphone at Christmas, or you might be eagerly anticipating getting a new one at some point during this year. Whether it'll be your first ever phone or an upgrade on your old model, it's always useful to have a refresher about how to set it up and adjust the settings to keep yourself – and your valuable personal info – safe and secure. We've collected some expert tips to help you enjoy your smartphone in the healthiest way possible.

### NEVER SHARE YOUR PASSCODE

Alongside face or fingerprint recognition, your passcode is crucial to unlocking your phone and accessing your apps and personal information. You shouldn't give it out, even to close friends – after all, you wouldn't hand them a key to your house and let them go in for a nosy around! If a friend wants to use your phone, ask them why and make sure you can see what they're doing with it.

### RESPECT PARENTAL CONTROLS

If you're allowed to have a smartphone, it's because your parents or carers feel that you're mature and responsible enough to use it safely. They might set controls and boundaries on your device – not to spoil your fun but to help you avoid hazards like too much screen time or costly in-app purchases. Following these rules means you can enjoy using your phone while respecting their wishes.

### TALK TO A TRUSTED ADULT

Whether it's to listen to music, play games, create content or chat with friends, using a smartphone should be fun. If you're ever feeling anxious, worried or scared about going on your phone, then something isn't right. It's important not to ignore these feelings; instead, talk to a trusted adult about what's happening and how it's making you feel.

### STAY ALERT

Two words: look up. It might sound obvious, but it's so easy to get immersed in what we're looking at or listening to on our phones that we can become unaware of our surroundings – or who might be around us. People often walk with their head down, focusing on their phone, and forget to check for obstacles in their path, cars or other pedestrians coming towards them, which is clearly dangerous.

### DEVELOP HEALTHY HABITS

Phones offer a vast amount of content and the chance to chat with friends whenever we feel like it, which can make it difficult to take time away from the screen. If that's something you struggle with, you could try setting time limits on certain apps. Putting our phones down for a while gives us more time to interact with others or do something physical that helps keep us fit and healthy.

### IGNORE UNKNOWN NUMBERS

There are some scammers who might call or text asking you to share personal data or to click on a link and provide your details. Some may claim to be from a genuine company, but trustworthy businesses don't spontaneously call or message to ask for your information. It's safest to ignore calls or texts from unknown numbers, and never give your personal details out over the phone.

### ONLY USE AGE-APPROPRIATE APPS

Before downloading a new app or game, check what age rating it has. Don't feel pressured into getting a particular game or app just because your friends are using it. If it's intended for older people, there's a definite risk that it could include content (which is violent or frightening, for instance) or language which isn't suitable and may leave you feeling upset or disturbed.

### REMOVE TEMPTATION

A good night's sleep is so important for concentration, mood and overall health. Unwinding properly before going to bed – which means not staring at a screen late at night – can often improve sleep quality. Put your phone on charge overnight, but not in your room. This means you'll have a lot less temptation to check any notifications, reply to messages or get caught up scrolling on social media.

### THINK ABOUT OTHERS

Watching videos, listening to music or calling someone can all help to pass the time while we're on the bus, waiting in a queue or walking down the street. It's important to remain mindful of other people, though: they might not want to hear your tunes or your conversation. Likewise, if you're calling from a public place then don't forget that anyone could overhear something personal about you.

### SWITCH OFF GEOLOCATION

In your phone's settings, you'll be able to disable geolocation for individual apps and photos; this means that people online (including strangers) can't see information about where you are when you share or post a pic. On the subject of images, it's also important to ask permission before taking or sharing a photo of someone – and don't share embarrassing images of your friends with others.

### Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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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**