

Newsletter 29/02/2024

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Dear Anthony Roper Community,

We hope you've had a great week! In school, our successes have included:

- Our first Enrichment Day was last Friday, seeing children engage in a variety of practical curriculum areas: puppet making (Design Technology Textiles), orienteering (Geography and PE Outdoor Adventurous Activities), cooking (Design Technology Cooking & Nutrition), playing the ukulele (Music), Forest School (Outdoor Learning), gardening (Science) and swimming (PE) to name a few! We are so pleased to be developing our curriculum in this way, giving all pupils a chance to shine in a variety of areas!
- Our amazing PTA held their Spring Disco a HUGE thank you to all of the volunteers that supported this event. We are so grateful for the massive amount of time and energy that goes into these things and it's really inspiring to see so many community members working together to pull these events off!
- This week, we have held our Parents' Evenings! Thank you to families for engaging with the school to learn about the progress your children are making and how they can develop their learning further. If you would like to leave feedback on your Parents' Evening experiences, please click here: <u>https://forms.office.com/e/MsGCbh8QxF</u>

Parent/Carer Forum – Friday 1st March 2024

Our next Parent/Carer Forum is tomorrow, 9.15am. Our topic will be the curriculum!

If you would like to come in person, please sign-up here: <u>https://forms.office.com/e/y4XLGb7DaX</u>

If you would like to contribute your thoughts online, please click here: <u>https://forms.office.com/e/st1GkkGtXw</u>

Looking ahead to next week, our PTA are holding their Mother's Day sales – see below for more information!

Thank you for your continued support of our school!

Keep safe,

Mr Adam Nicholls

Safeguarding

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This week's resource is the National Youth Advocacy Service: https://www.nyas.net/

Their goal is to support children, young people and adults in vulnerable situations.

As a school we believe that safeguarding is not only about protecting children and young people from abuse and neglect but also their families too. It is our intention therefore to support families by signposting them to universal services which may assist families when they are facing difficulties themselves. For reference, our Safeguarding Team is: Mr Adam Nicholls, Mrs Sandra Goodwin, Miss Jo Leadley and Mrs Jemma Sholl.

Attendance

Bear Class - 96.7% Mae Class - 93.3% Knight Class - 96.7% Armstrong Class - 90.9% Rose Class - 98.2% Tull Class - 96.3% Rashford Class - 98.4% Othello Class - 96.3% Einstein Class - 94.3% Zephaniah Class - 93.3% Da Vinci Class - 96.2%

Attendance matters - **The whole school attendance this week is 95.5%**. We aim for all children to achieve 96% attendance within the school year. For unexpected absences, due to illness for example, please contact the School Office so that we can record your child's absence correctly. All other absences must be requested using the Absence Request Form. A copy of our Attendance Policy can be found on the school website.

Key Dates

Term Dates

Term 4: Monday 19th February – Thursday 28th March Term 5: Monday 15th April – Friday 24th May Term 6: Monday 3rd June – Friday 19th July Inset Days Monday 22nd July 2024 Tuesday 23rd July 2024 Exhibition Afternoons Wednesday 27th March 2024, from 2.30pm Thursday 23rd May 2024, from 2.30pm Tuesday 16th July 2024, from 2.30pm Parents' Evenings Thursday 29th February 2024, 4pm-7pm

Notices

SWIMMING

We are pleased to have secured swimming lessons for all classes in KS2! They will run in the following terms:

Term 4 – Othello

Term 5 - Rashford

Term 6 – Tull

Each class will receive more specific information, such as dates and kit lists, as their turn approaches.

PAYMENT FOR CLUBS

Payment for clubs is now available on Arbor. Can you please ensure payment is made as soon as possible.

MOSQUE VISIT - THURSDAY 1ST FEBRUARY

KS1 (Years 1 & 2) and UKS2 (Years 5 & 6) children visited a mosque in Crayford (Masjid Abu Bakr) on Thursday 1st February as part of their learning in Religious Education. If you haven't done so already, we would really appreciate a contribution of £4.50 towards transport to and from the mosque. This will be available to pay for in the trips section of Arbor.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Following the success of our amazing School Council's fund raising for the new playground markings. They have decided to run the following events:-

RED NOSE DAY - COMPETITION

Red Nose Day is fast approaching and the student council would like to help raise some extra money towards it. They have decided upon a 'RED NOSE DAY COMPETITION'. For this, you need to make your own red nose and decorate it however you like. Please could you try to use recycled materials to create it. It needs to have your name somewhere on it (the inside might be best) and make it as amazing as you can! The Student Council will help to judge them and the winners will be announced during assembly on Friday 15th March 2024. It is £1 to enter. Please hand all entries to Mrs Hibbs in Othello Class when you are ready! Last day to enter is Wednesday 13th March.

FRIDAY 15TH MARCH - RED NOSE DAY

On Friday 15th March children are invited to wear their own clothes in red & white.

PTA NEWS

Mother's Day Shop

The PTA are pleased to be running a Mother's Day shop in school again this year and have

been busy sourcing beautiful gifts for your children to choose from.

This year, the shops will take place on the afternoons of:

Wednesday 6th March - Reception and KS1

Thursday 7th March - KS2

Children are invited to bring in up to £6 for each special person. Further details are available in the recent email.

Awards

Numbots Champions Bear Class - Iris, Thomas, Romir

Mae Class - Elliott, Poppy, Robert Knight Class - Theodore, Hudson, Jacob Armstrong Class - Faith-Evelyn, Anna, Fenton Rose Class - Edison, Ayla, Rory Tull Class - Sophia, Harry, Olivia Rashford Class - Rudy, Iylah-Louise, Ralphy Othello Class - Robert, Riaan, Emily Einstein Class - Sienna, Albie, Tabitha Zephaniah Class - Kaius, Max, Emily D Da Vinci Class - Ilona, Rana, Stanley **Times Tables Rock Stars Champions** Bear Class -Mae Class -Knight Class -Armstrong Class - Oliver L, Faith-Evelyn, Thomas Rose Class - William D, Edison, Jake Tull Class - Owen, Jessica B, Harry Rashford Class - Arissa, Harrison, Sienna Othello Class - Poppy, Lucienne, Marguerite Einstein Class - Levi, Tabitha, Arthur Zephaniah Class - Kaius, Emily D, Emily C-J Da Vinci Class - Mia, Thomas, Bronte

Achievement Awards

Bear Class - Sanderson

Mae Class - Louie

Knight Class - Harley

Armstrong Class - Jenson H

Rose Class - William M

Tull Class - Lola

Rashford Class - George

Othello Class - Ronnie

Einstein Class - Sienna

Zephaniah Class - Lincoln

Da Vinci Class - Shannon

House Points

Knole - 147

Chartwell - 189

Penshurst - 180

Ightham - 170







