

# Newsletter 21/03/2024

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Dear Anthony Roper Community,

We hope you've had a great week – we cannot believe we have one week of the term left! Since last writing, our successes have included:

- Thank you to everyone who was able to participate with the Red Nose Day celebrations, with an additional thank you for School Council for running their Red Nose competition you can see the results on Class Dojo!
- This week we hosted our School Improvement Advisor for their termly visit. Every school has an
  external advisor who visits and supports with the school's progress. We are so pleased with their
  feedback on our developments and we look forward to continuing on this journey to make our
  school greater!
- Years 3 and 4 were visited this week by a theatre company who immersed them in a workshop related to their current learning about the Egyptians! Thank you to families for their support with this and to colleagues for their work in arranging this excellent opportunity for our pupils.

Exhibition Afternoon – Wednesday 27th March, 2.15pm

Next week, we are holding our termly Exhibition Afternoon, where you'll also be able to see the children's Jack Boyd Art competition entries. Jack Boyd is a long-held tradition in the school where all pupils create a piece of art on a theme. This year, each class has chosen a different country to be inspired by. This will all be displayed in the Hall, alongside this year's Easter Bake Off competition with our fantastic PTA, with their annual Easter Egg Hunt after school. Because of all of these exciting extras, we are going to start Exhibition Afternoon a little earlier, to give you a chance to see more – Wednesday 27th March, 2.15pm.

#### **Behaviour Policy**

As a result of the work from our Parent/Carer Forum, we wrote last week to explain that Governors were able to review the updated Behaviour Policy. Some of the updated approach will include Zones of Regulation (which aims to teach about managing feelings in order to build mentally healthy people) and more consistent use of Dojo Points. We will share more specific details soon, but some early work has started by adding colleagues to Dojo classes to enable rewards and positive recognition to be more consistent.

Looking ahead, we have a busy final week of term coming up with Exhibitions, the Headteacher's Tea Party, our Easter Services (which will now be held in school due to a family emergency for Rev. Trudi – who we are sending our best wishes to) and fantastic events from our PTA.

Keep safe,

Mr Adam Nicholls

Headteacher

# Safeguarding

#### Safeguarding

This week's resource is the Anthony Walker Foundation: https://anthonywalkerfoundation.com/

This foundation aims to promote racial harmony in order to build stronger communities. It operates locally, regionally and nationally.

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 - 94.2%

Mae Class - 98.1%

Knight Class - 97.5%

Armstrong Class - 95.3%

Rose Class - 97.2%

Tull Class - 92.6%

Rashford Class - 96.4%

Othello Class - 91.7%

Einstein Class - 96.9%

Zephaniah Class - 98.6%

Da Vinci Class - 96.6%

Attendance matters - **The whole school attendance this week is 95.8%**. 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

### **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.

#### **PTA NEWS**

#### **Easter Events**

We're looking forward to seeing your Cress Head entries on Tuesday 26th March and seeing lots of you at the Easter Egg Hunt and Tea Party on Wednesday!

Tickets are still available to buy until 6pm tomorrow, 22nd March for the PTA Easter Egg Hunt and Tea Party, to be held next week, Wednesday 27th March! Tickets are £3.50 per child, with each child getting an Easter egg at the end. Tickets can be bought via the PTA website (www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofanthonyroper/). Tickets for siblings who wish to take part in the Easter Egg Hunt can also be purchased from the PTA website. Please note, it will not be possible to buy a ticket on the day.

The Egg Hunt will take place in the school grounds straight after school finishes at 3.15pm. Please collect your child as usual and supervise them during the hunt. Once your child has found all of the clues, they can collect their Easter egg from the school hall and join us for refreshments, including the Bake Off entries and our Easter competition.

#### Summer Fair - Save the Date

The PTA are very excited to confirm that the Summer Fair will be held this year on Saturday the 29th June 2024 and brainstorming has already commenced. If anyone has any stall ideas they can assist with, any contacts with businesses that might want to be involved or can offer any help with raffle prizes please let us know.

# Awards

# **Numbots Champions**

Bear Class - Iris, Edie, Romir

Mae Class - Elliott, Poppy, Chloe

Knight Class - Theodore, Hudson, Alfie

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, George, Harrison

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 - Mazie

Mae Class - Leo

Knight Class - Paisley

Armstrong - Aston

Rose Class - Talula

Tull Class - Elsie

Rashford Class - George

Othello Class - Evelyn

Einstein Class - Arthur

Zephaniah Class - Max

Da Vinci Class - Scarlett

### **House Points**

Knole - 221

Chartwell - 129

Penshurst - 205

Ightham - 121





