



# Newsletter 28/03/2024

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Dear Anthony Roper Community,

We have reached the end of another term and this week, we have had the following successes:

- We welcomed a city-centre primary school as they learn about village life! The school visit us every year and work with our Year 3 and 4 children to consider the similarities and differences of their environments – thank you so much to our pupils for being so welcoming and showing them how our school works!
- We held our Easter Services in school as children sang songs and offered readings on the Easter story.
- We wrapped up our Jack Boyd competition – an annual event where every child creates a piece of art based on a theme. This year's theme was related to countries around the world!
- We hosted a Governor Monitoring visit as we continually work on our approach to the teaching of reading in school, a journey that begins with a scheme called Read Write Inc.
- We held our usual end of term festivities, including: our Headteacher's Tea Party, our Achievement Assembly, our scrapbook entries and Exhibition Afternoon. As always, you're welcome to leave exhibition feedback here: <https://forms.office.com/e/3yuEhQSAwq>

Parent/Carer Forum – Friday 26th April, 9.15am

As we head into next term, we are pleased to host our next forum. This time, the theme will be SEND and Inclusion. We would love to collect ideas on how we can develop our approaches in school, not only for those on the SEND register, but for how we can promote equality and our inclusive ethos. For this reason, while this forum is for everyone, there may be some questions or themes that do not apply in some cases. Therefore, please respond to what you feel best applies to you and your children. Equally, even if you don't consider your child to 'have SEND', but still have an idea you want to share, please do!

If you would like to offer your thoughts online, please do so

here: <https://forms.office.com/e/VGyai8G44i>

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

### Staffing

This week, we wished Mrs Kennedy the very best of luck as she leaves us to support her grandchildren! Mrs Kennedy has been a constant support for our school and we are extremely grateful for her time and flexibility.

Today, we are wishing Mrs Jarman a fond farewell as she pursues new opportunities! Mrs Jarman has been an exceptional teacher in our school and her dedication has been limitless.

I am sure our entire community join us in wishing both Mrs Kennedy and Mrs Jarman the absolute best for the future. Come back and see us!

As we head into the Easter holidays, please be reminded that Term 5 starts on Monday 15th April (where some Year 5s will start by heading to Aylmerton!). Have a safe and restful break!

Keep safe,

Mr Adam Nicholls

Headteacher

### Safeguarding

#### **Safeguarding**

This week's resource is the Association for Young People's Health: <https://ayph.org.uk/>

This is a peer support website tackling issues such as health, wellbeing and the barriers faced by young people.

*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 - 93.3%

Mae Class - 100.0%

Knight Class - 95.8%

Armstrong Class - 98.3%

Rose Class - 97.7%

Tull Class - 97.2%

Rashford Class - 95.3%

Othello Class - 96.3%

Einstein Class - 96.4%

Zephaniah Class - 95.2%

Da Vinci Class - 95.7%

*Attendance matters - **The whole school attendance this week is 96.5%**. 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**

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.

### **PTA NEWS**

Huge thanks to parents, carers, children and staff for supporting the PTA Easter activities. We've seen some amazing creativity with the cress heads and bake sale and were very impressed as always. We know it can be a lot to keep track of at times, but every bit of support helps us to provide useful extras for the school and we couldn't do it without you all taking part. We hope the kids had a fantastic time too!

Next term's activities will include the Summer School Disco on the 6th June and Father's Day Shop on the 12th and 13th June.

Just another reminder of the Summer Fair date of 29th June 2024. Hope it's in your calendars and any helpful ideas appreciated.

We hope you all have a fantastic Easter break!

The PTA Team

## Awards

### Numbots Champions

Bear Class - Iris, Thomas, Edie

Mae Class - Elliott, Poppy, Chloe

Knight Class - Theodore, Hudson, Alfie

Armstrong Class - Faith-Evelyn, Anna, Jenson

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 - Holly

Mae Class - Isla-Savannah

Knight Class - Betsy

Armstrong - Jack

Rose Class - Axel

Tull Class - Cora

Rashford Class - Neo

Othello Class - Daniel

Einstein Class - Levi

Zephaniah Class - Emily D

Da Vinci Class - Lucas

### House Points

Knole - 159

Chartwell - 138

Penshurst - 242

Ightham - 152









