Newsletter - 23/04/2026

Headteacher's Message

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Dear Anthony Roper Community,

I hope you had a wonderful Easter break and are ready for Term 5 of the school year! Since last writing, we’ve had the following successes:

- Our term ended with a cross country event with the Sevenoaks Partnership – thank you to our families for their support and a huge congratulations to our pupils for their determination!
- Years 5 and 6 went on a river study trip to supplement their Geography learning!
- We were visited by our School Improvement Advisor, who worked with Senior Leaders and spoke with children about their lessons. Thank you everyone for your work!

Staffing Update – Mrs Fredericks

After many years’ of incredible service to our school, Mrs Fredericks will be leaving us at the end of this term. Mrs Fredericks has been an exceptional Teaching Assistant, mostly working with our younger pupils in school to set them up beautifully for their educational journey. Mrs Fredericks’ last day will be Thursday 21st May, before taking a well-deserved early retirement. I’m sure you join us in wishing Mrs Fredericks the very best for the future – thank you for everything, we will miss you!

Looking ahead, some of our Year 5 children are heading on their Aylmerton residential next week to learn about coastlines (among other adventures) and Governors are visiting to complete some monitoring of the school!

As we approach a classic British summer term, please be reminded to be mindful of the weather: sometimes sun-cream and hats may be necessary, whereas others days your child may still need a coat!

Thank you for your continued development of our school.

Keep safe,

Mr Adam Nicholls

Safeguarding

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This week's resource is Safe4Me: https://www.safe4me.co.uk/parents/

This website provides information and advice about crime and criminality, for example county lines (criminal exploitation).

Attendance

Storey Class - 100%

Disney Class - 96.3%

Earhart Class - 96.8%

Peake Class - 97.9%

Pankhurst Class - 94.1%

Frank Class - 91.7%

Anning Class - 93.6%

Middleton Class - 96.8%

Coco Class - 95.5%

Moore Class - 98.0%

*Attendance matters - **The whole school attendance this year is 96.1%**. 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 5: Monday 20th April – Friday 22nd May

Term 6: Monday 1st June – Friday 17th July

Inset Days

Monday 20th July 2026

Tuesday 21st July 2026

Exhibition Afternoons

Wednesday 20th May 2026, from 3:20pm - 4:00pm

PARENTS COFFEE MORNINGS

Mrs Khatib will be hosting Parent Coffee mornings which will run from 9:00am to 10:30am on the following dates:-

Tuesday 19th May 2026

Tuesday 7th July 2026.

Notices

SWIMMING

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

Term 5 – Pankhurst (commencing tomorrow)

Term 6 – Frank

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.

PARKING - IMPORTANT

We have noticed an increase of parents attempting to/parking on site, especially when the weather is bad. Please can we remind you of the below.

- Parking within the school grounds is not permitted at drop off or collection time unless it is for exceptional circumstances
- When parking around the school you must park considerately, not blocking pedestrian access, driveways etc
- Animals are not allowed on the school site at any time
- Please refrain from turning in the entrance

PICK UP

Can we please remind blue badge holders that they are only allowed entry into the car park from 3:20pm. Pedestrians should also remain on the pathways at drop off and collection

PTA UPDATE

We hope everyone had a great Easter break!

Firstly, a big thank you to everyone who signed up for our Easter Egg Hunt last term. The school grounds were full of excitement, and it was wonderful to see the children enjoying the fun. We hope all our hunters were happy with their well-earned chocolate treats!

We have a few more exciting events coming up –

Summer Disco

The next school disco is due to be held on **Thursday 14th July**, KS1 3.30-4.30 and KS2 4.45-5.45. We will be needing quite a few **volunteers** for this event to be able to go ahead. Please contact us on anthonyroperpta@gmail.com or let your Class Reps know if you are able to help out at one or other of the age groups.

Colour Run

The first Anthony Roper Colour Run last year was a huge success and is back this summer by popular demand on Friday 5th June! Details to follow soon!

Awards

Numbots Champions

Storey Class -

Disney Class - Robyn

Earhart Class - Rhiaan, Barnaby, Oliver

Peake Class - Iris, Chloe, Lara

Pankhurst Class - Theodore, Hudson, Karter

Frank Class - Edison, Juno, Fenton

Anning Class - Lydia, William, Rory

Middleton Class - Sophia, Harry, Olivia

Coco Class - Robert, Rudy, Lucienne

Moore Class - Sienna, Elliot, Maisie

Times Tables Rock Stars Champions

Storey Class -

Disney Class -

Earhart Class - Brody, Dougie, Oliver

Peake Class - Chloe, Iris, Elliott

Pankhurst Class - Alina, Jenson, Karter

Frank Class - Jacob, Emily, Edison

Anning Class - William, Belle, Edie

Middleton Class - Jude, Harry, Owen

Coco Class - Jessica, Rudy, Lucienne

Moore Class - Poppy, Marguerite, Arissa

Achievement Awards

Storey Class - Penny

Disney Class - Alli

Earhart Class - India

Peake Class - Lola

Pankhurst Class - Betsy

Frank Class - Harley

Anning Class - Evelyn

Middleton Class - Haamza

Coco Class - Emily

Moore Class - Evelyn

PE - Winter

Artistic - Winnie

Trident Trust - Penelope

House Points

Knole - 608

Chartwell - 783

Penshurst - 727

Ightham - 757

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