

WEEK 23



March already! Can you believe it! Recently, it was lovely to see all the signs of spring, such as the snow drops and daffodils peeping through but the weather certainly presented its challenges this



week. It was like being in the depths of winter again! I had to smile today... (see photo).. 'a new travel to school initiative' encouraging people to leave cars at home!! Please ensure your child is suitably dressed with warm outdoor clothes

each day and a full PE kit with joggers/trainers etc. (Please ensure that the outdoor PE kit is still in school colours– or dark colours (grey, navy, black, royal blue– no reds/pinks etc– thank you.)



In Reception this week, Isabelle WOWed us with her amazing writing about how to plant seeds, even spelling some of the tricky words correctly. Well done!

World book day– unfortunately due to the weather this event had to be cancelled—we will reschedule and confirm the new date as soon as we can.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

5TH MARCH BAG 2 SCHOOL COLLECTION (more info at <http://ukbag2school.com/>)

Please fill the bags sent home and return them on the morning of 5th March by 9am ready for the collection. More information about what can be recycled can be found by following the link above. Thank you for your support.

Good quality second hand uniform gratefully received by our Friends group. Please hand donations into the main office. Don't forget to remove any name labels/ initials beforehand to save any confusion!

9TH MARCH Y1 DANCE FESTIVAL Y1 children will be performing at our local sports partnership KS1 dance festival. Please ensure that your child has the correct/colour/school uniform and that earrings are removed. Thank you.

13TH MARCH BLACK & WHITE PORTRAIT PHOTOS Our school photographer will be in school from 3.00pm to offer our families the opportunity of having a black and white family or individual portrait done (siblings included) at a reasonable price. If you are interested then please let the main office know and/or complete the ParentMail form so that we have an idea of numbers. Thank you.

After School Clubs

External Clubs: Multi-sport (Mon), Street Dance (Tues), Karate (Thurs) last week w/c 19.3.18

External clubs– any missed sessions to be made up will be confirmed with you.

Staff clubs: Board Games (Mon), Construction (Wed), Origami (Thurs), last week w/c 19.3.18

Individual Guitar & Ukulele lessons continue up to and including the last week of term.

IMPORTANT DATES

5 MARCH BAG 2 SCHOOL COLLECTION

9 MARCH Y1 DANCE FESTIVAL

13 MARCH BLACK & WHITE PHOTOS

19 MARCH SPORT RELIEF WEEK* LAST WEEK OF CLUBS

28 MARCH FRIENDS RAFFLE & EGG HUNT*

29 MARCH BREAK UP EASTER HOLIDAY

CLOSED 30 MARCH—13 APRIL

INSET DAY 16 APRIL

FIRST DAY BACK FOR PUPILS

TUESDAY 17 APRIL

**MORE INFO TO FOLLOW*

Celebration of Achievement

Sorry - not this week due to the snow. Normal celebration event back next week as normal all being well.

Well done to Amir and Isabelle who came and shared their wonderful writing this week.

Keep up the good work!

FRIENDS/PTA

Thank you to all the volunteers and committee members for their efforts so far for the book & bun sale– unfortunately the event had to be cancelled due to the snow. New date to be agreed and circulated soon.

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DINNER MENU

MENU—No changes

Next week is **WEEK 3** See website/ outside notice board.

Polite Reminders

Safety:

Pedestrians: Please always **use the path** when entering or leaving the site and not exit via the car park on foot.

Drivers: Please **park safely and responsibly without obstructing the driveways or access to local residents' properties. Please park further down the road and avoid, stopping, turning or reversing in front of the school.** This is a very busy place for children and adults crossing. Very young children often run or scoot ahead of their parents and we would like to avoid a nasty accident occurring.

Attendance/sickness absence:

If your child is off school, please ring on the first day of absence **BEFORE 9.15am**. Also, write a letter with the dates and reason for absence and give this to the office/teacher on the first day back to school. If your child has had sickness, diarrhoea or both, then they should be clear for **48 hours** from the last episode, before returning to school.

Punctuality: The gates and class doors open at 8.45am each day (15 mins early) to allow for a flow of parents/carers to drop off their children. We would kindly ask that parents leave the classrooms promptly, so that the day's learning can begin. Children arriving after this time will need to be signed in by their parent/carer giving a valid reason for the lateness, as opposed to just putting 'late'. We are required by law to have this in place and to request this. Thank you for your co-operation and understanding with these matters.

Dental/eye appointments - General check ups. These should be booked for outside the school day or during school holidays.

Medical/hospital appointments - If this occurs during the school day, please let us know in advance and bring with you the appointment card or letter, so that we may take a copy

LEARNING NEWS: ROUNDUP

TOPICS THIS TERM: Rec: 'In the Garden' Y1: Transport Y2: Great Fire of London Y3/4: What a Wonderful World
PE DAYS: Rec: Wed; Y1: Tues & Thurs; Y2: Mon & Fri Y3/4: Tues & Fri

Topic leaflets and Age Related Expectations (ARE) booklets are available on our website under each year group tab.

Reception: This week the children have continued to learn about growing plants. Many children have been very excited to already see little shoots appearing from the broad bean seeds they planted only last week. Some of the class have taken responsibility for watering everyone's plants to help them grow healthily. They have also planted cress seeds, so they hope to see a lot of growth and change over the next few weeks.



Well done to Lacey who used magnetic letters to spell out tricky words!

Year 1 – Miss Cook: Year 1 continue to focus on the author Julia Donaldson. This week the book focus was 'The Everywhere Bear'. The children discussed how it was like their class bear Dave, and found many things in common with the start of the book. In Maths the focus is on measuring; learning how to describe an object based on the height or length. The children used the language of 'tallest, smallest' and 'longest and shortest'. The children carried out lots of practical tasks measuring with a standard unit of cubes. In Science they continued to observe seasonal changes and what a week it was to see and feel the difference! They looked at trees and how they change. They could not believe that even though we are coming into the season of Spring that it is snowing! Though that caused much excitement too!

Year 2 – Mrs Watson: Year 2 have continued to learning about data handling, constructing block graphs, interpreting them and answering questions. In literacy they have been developing the content of their writing by improving the content for the reader by making it more interesting, by adding adjectives, adverbs and frontal adverbials.

Y3/4 - Miss Whates: This week in Maths Year 3 have been adding fractions whilst Year 4 also learnt about improper fractions. In English the children started a new book by Roald Dahl, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, which will be the focus for the next few weeks.

THANK YOU

Understandably, it hasn't been an easy week for anyone with the challenges posed by the weather. I would like to thank parents/carers for their understanding and support. In particular, a massive thank you is extended to the premises team for their efforts this week and to the staff who managed to 'go the extra mile' to get in. A warmer climate is forecast for next week—temperatures up to 9 and 10 degrees—positively tropical in comparison!! **Children's challenge**—spot and talk about seasonal change as we move from one wintry week to (hopefully) a spring like one!

RECYCLING

In order to promote recycling and green initiatives— please save your milk, water and coke bottle tops and send them into school. Miss Whates will then take these bottle tops to the nearest 'Lush' store where they will melt them down and reuse them for their product's packaging. If you are aware of any other local recycling schemes please let us know.

TERM DATES AND INSET DAYS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-19 ON OUR WEBSITE

BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUB FOR ROSEACRES PUPILS: PLACES AVAILABLE for pupils who attend Roseacres school. Parents/carers who are interested in a place full time, part time or for ad-hoc child care, please contact Leigh Parnell directly-mobile: 07884 948769, or email learningtoflychildcareservices@mail.com website: <https://leighparnell.wixsite.com/learning-to-fly>

Please be aware that this is a privately owned and run club and operates independently of Roseacres Primary School. It is registered with Ofsted, meeting their requirements for this facility. Whilst we are able to signpost childcare and other provision, parents are advised to assure themselves of the suitability of any provision and provider in order to meet their needs.