



World Class School 2021



End of Term Newsletter

1st April
2022



UNLOCKING  POTENTIAL

LEARNING

OPPORTUNITY

COMMUNITY

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LEADERSHIP

From the Headteacher's Office...

Dear parents and carers,

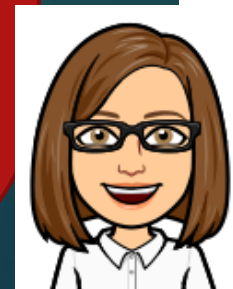
What a week! What a term! Having enjoyed such lovely warm sunshine at the end of last week, who would have thought we would end this week with snow!

This term has certainly been a challenge – we have had our highest ever levels of Covid and this has impacted both children and staff. Thank you to everyone, staff, children and families for your patience, kindness and understanding during this very difficult time. The Government is now moving to the 'living with Covid' strategy and we will continue to follow any guidance. This includes keeping windows open, continuing to wash our hands and asking that, if your child is unwell, that you keep them at home until they feel better.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the virtual parent's evening appointments this week. Over 70% of you met with class teachers over the two days.

This week our Year 6 children have enjoyed their residential trip to Grafham Water – it may have been cold, but we hear that they had a brilliant time. Next term, we are excited to be able to offer residential opportunities to both Year 3 and Year 5 – Year 3's Farm Camp is now fully booked, but look out next term for more information for Year 5!

Best wishes, Mrs Bowyer (Head of School) and Mr Fry (Executive Headteacher)





Dates for your diary

EASTER HOLIDAY - school closed from 1:30pm on Friday 1st April until Tuesday 19th April.

Tuesday 19th April – school re-opens

Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th April – Red Kites Virtual Parents Meetings

MAY

Monday 2nd May – School closed (May Day Bank Holiday)

Week beginning 9th May – SATs week

Week beginning 23rd May – Healthy Week

May Half term – 30th May – 3rd June

JUNE

Monday 6th June – School re-opens

Assembly dates

Parents are invited to join us for their child's assembly. A Microsoft Teams invite will be emailed to you before 11am on the day of the assembly.

Friday 29th April – Year 3

Friday 6th May – Year 1

Friday 13th May – Year 5

Friday 20th May – Year 6

Easter activities with Rutland Outdoor Education Centre



Rutland
Outdoor
Education
Centre



Easter 2022



Why not visit us for one of our family sessions... no age limits - everyone welcome; parents, children, grandparents...!

During your session you will visit our forest & farm school, meeting our Easter Lambs, rabbits & chicks with lots of feeding, cuddles as well as our other farm animals. Then heading down to the Forest School for an Easter Egg hunt and activities such as outdoor cooking on the campfire!

Email admin@roec.co.uk for all bookings!



Session Information:

Tues 5 - Weds 6 - Thurs 7 April

10:00-12:00 (AM)

or

12:30-2:30 (PM)

Tues 12 - Wednesday 13 April

10:00-12:00 (AM)

or

12:30-2:30 (PM)

@ £10 per person - per session

(This includes all animal feed, equipment & food for outdoor cooking for all!)

www.roec.co.uk

Pupil details

It is essential that we have up-to-date records for every child in school, particularly home address, email and mobile phone numbers. If you have moved or changed phone numbers, please email office@rps.pkat.co.uk

Thank you



Injuries (outside of school)

If your child has an injury, such as a broken bone, please do let us know as soon as possible – email office@rps.pkat.co.uk

We will need to put a care plan in place before they return to school.

Thank you

Illness/Other Absences

If your child is ill, please call the school office on 01733 263342 and select option 1 to leave a message (the absence line is available 24/7) or email office@rps.pkat.co.uk

Thank you

Free School Meals

Applying for free school meals is quick and simple to do using the online application form below www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals and select "no" when asked if you have previously claimed.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Medication

If your child requires prescribed medication during the school day, you must complete a medication form, link below

<https://forms.office.com/r/cfRXYcrknQ>



Collection times

Please follow the one-way system at collection times and do not wave across the courtyard for your child to be released.

Please also continue to wear a face covering when on the school site.

If you are going to be late collecting your child, please contact Little Tigers on 01733 330630 to book a space at their afterschool club. We do not offer this.

Thank you

Attendance

We aim for 100% attendance every day. It is said that good attendance = best achievement: it's not just about learning in lessons, but all the interaction with other children and teachers which can give confidence and self-understanding as they grow. We are sure we can count on the support of all our parents and carers to ensure children are in school, on time, every day. Please see the letter about attendance for more information and please contact the school office if you have any questions.

Attendance Spring Term up to 25th March:

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
Barn Owls	89.56%	Snowy Owls	84.92%
Yellowbill Kites	89.55%	Red Kites	92.21%
Sparrowhawks	87.0%	Goshawks	86.36%
Golden Kestrels	91.87%	Spotted Kestrels	92.75%
Western Ospreys	93.78%	Eastern Ospreys	90.17%
Peregrine Falcons	89.27%	Merlin Falcons	89.89%
Sea Eagles	90.68%	Martial Eagles	90.96%

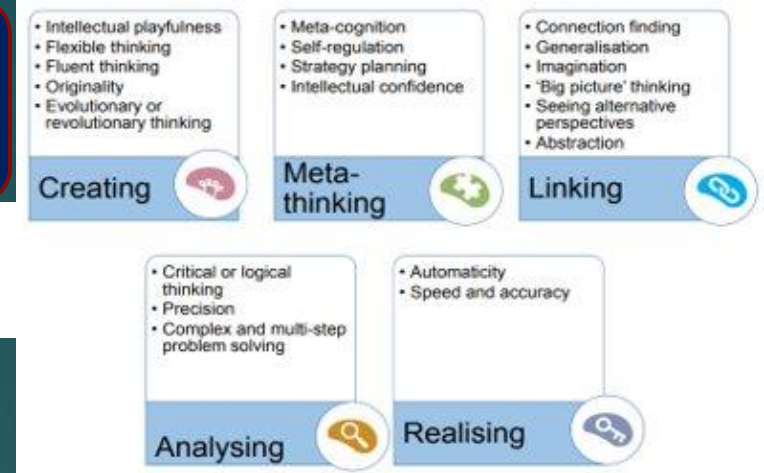


Our Champions of the week.



Celebrating our best!





These children have demonstrated the skills of *the* VAAs this week and are on the way to being High Performance Learners.



Barn Owls:
Marko

3 Spotted Kestrels:
Kevins

5 Merlin Falcons:
Chanel

Snowy Owls:
Sophie

3 Golden Kestrels:
Grace



1 Yellowbill Kites:
Talia

2 Sparrowhawks:
Emilia

5 Peregrine Falcons:
Lyn

4 Eastern Ospreys:
All of Eastern Ospreys

6 Sea Eagles:

1 Red Kites:
Lara

2 Goshawks:
Sophie

4 Western Ospreys:
Sophia

6 Martial Eagles:
Saphia



High
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Learning

VAAAs

Values Attitudes and Attributes



EMPATHETIC

Empathetic

This VAA includes the skills of **Collaboration**, **Concern for society** and **Confidence**. Our KS1 children will recognise the **Collaborative Camel**; the **Concerned Caterpillar** and the **Confident Crocodile**.

Our KS2 literary character is **Tintin**. **Tintin** is a Belgian comic strip boy reporter created by Hergé. **Tintin** has a sharp intellect, can defend himself, and is honest, decent, compassionate, and kind. Through his investigative reporting, quick-thinking, and all-around good nature, **Tintin** is always able to solve the mystery and complete the adventure. **Tintin** **collaborates** with his friends to solve the mysteries; he is driven by his **concern for society** and is **confident** in his abilities to solve each mystery.



TINTIN





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EMPATHETIC

Empathetic – School based examples

- Collaboration
 - Working together on a project with a partner or group
 - Playing your part in a team or performance
- Concerned for society
 - Keeping your table or classroom tidy
 - Picking up any litter seen in the playground
 - Raising money for good causes
- Confident
 - Understanding what you are good at
 - Know what you need to improve
 - Using your skills but ready to learn new ones



TINTIN





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AGILE

Agile

This VAA includes the skills of Enquiring, Creativity and enterprising, Open-minded and Risk-taking. Our KS1 children will recognise the Enquiring Elephant; the Creative Chameleon and the Open-minded Otter and Risk-taking Rabbit.

Our KS2 literary character is **Alice** from Alice in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll where **Alice** follows a white rabbit down his burrow to a world of adventure. Throughout the story **Alice** shows enquiry when following the white rabbit down his hole; creativity when meeting all the strange characters of wonderland; open-mindedness when making friends with these unusual characters and is constantly risk taking when dealing with the Queen of Hearts.





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AGILE

Agile – school based examples

- Enquiring
 - Being able to work alone
 - Wanting to find out new information or better understanding
- Creative and Enterprising
 - Ready with new ideas
 - Able to use different methods to find a solution
- Open-minded
 - To be able to see others point of view or beliefs
 - To be able to change your views if finding new evidence
- Risk-taking
 - Confidence to try new things
 - To be able to learn from your mistakes





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Hard Working

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This VAA includes the skills of **Practice**, **Perseverance** and **Resilience**. Our KS1 children will recognise the **Practice Parrot**; the **Perseverance Penguin** and the **Resilience Raccoon**.

Our KS2 literary character is **Dorothy** from The Wizard of Oz by Frank Baum. In the story **Dorothy** is whisked away by a “Twister” (American slang for tornado) and lands in the magical land of Oz. Here she tries to find her way back to Kansas with the help of friends she meets and the wizard. She also has to avoid the wicked witch who has sworn to kill her. **Dorothy** shows **practice** when learning new skills, **perseverance** to keep going after set backs and challenges and **resilience** to overcome the difficulties put in her way.



Dorothy





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Hard Working

Hard Working – school based examples

- Practice
 - Learning tables or spellings to recall instantly
 - Practicing a sports move or routine
 - Learning to play an instrument
- Perseverance
 - Not giving up when you've made mistakes
 - Redrafting work to make it better
- Resilience
 - To be able to stay focused on task when others are not
 - To remain confident in your skills despite difficulties



Dorothy



Easter Promise Competition



Peregrine Falcons



Merlin Falcons



Barn Owls



Snowy Owls

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Sparrowhawks



Red Kites



Yellowbill Kites



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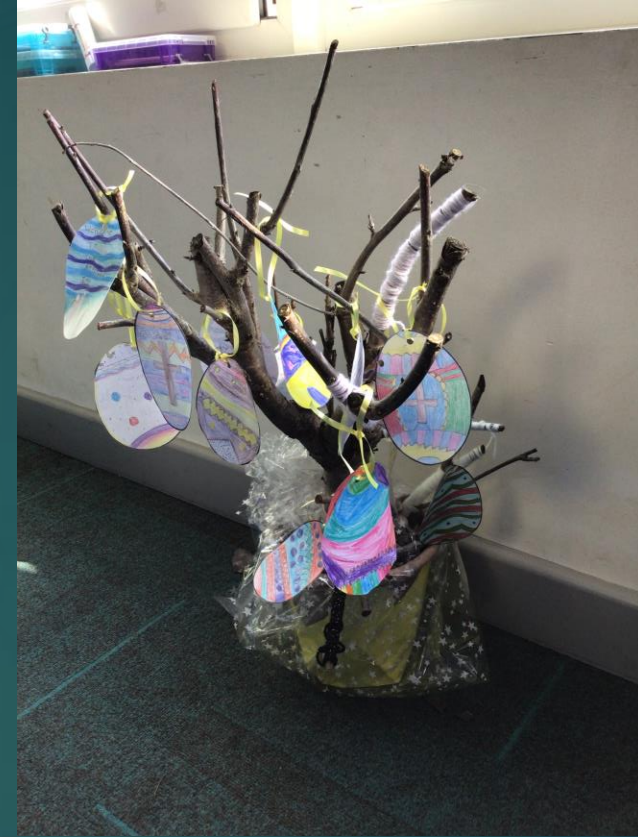
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Martial Eagles



PERSONAL
BEST



Achievements and success
inside AND outside of school.



Year 6 are **succeeding & soaring** on their
residential trip



Grafham Water
2022

Reminder

If your child achieves a
'Personal Best' out of school,
please email in to
office@rps.pkat.co.uk so we
can share their wonderful
achievements.



Well done – we are very proud of you!

Birthdays this week

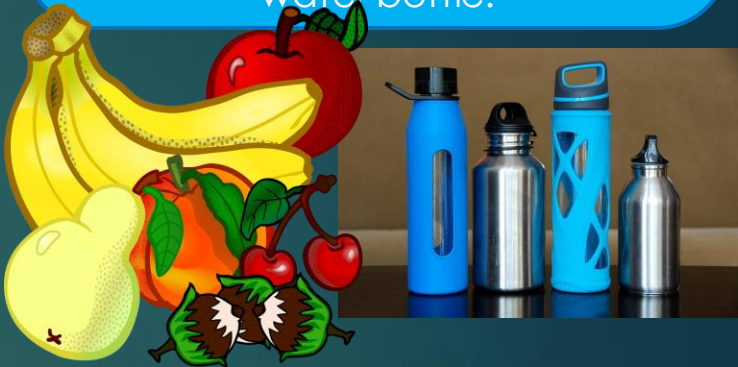


Teejay
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Healthy snacks & water bottles

Children can bring in a healthy snack to have at break time. This **MUST NOT** be chocolate or nuts – we are a nut free school.

Children **must** bring in a named water bottle.



Valters
6

Aiden N
7

Sara
(Year 6)
11

Laurins
9

Leon
G
9

Emily
5

Grace T
8

Sophia CR
9

Easter holiday birthdays

Rebeka	9	Philip	11
Arnas B	6	Alisha	9
Lirael	5	Jessica B	11
Anthony	11	Sophie P	5
Ryan	10	Jerome	6
Bilal	8	Raihana	10
Cristian	9	Mrs Burgess	
		Mrs Molyneaux	

Happy Birthday from everyone at Ravensthorpe!

GOODBYE

It's with much sadness that we say farewell to Mr Tomlins today. Mr Tomlins has been teaching at Ravensthorpe for just over 7 years in different year groups and has been the school's Science leader and our High Performance Learning (HPL) Leader. Mr Tomlins has also shared his many interests with all the children and staff, from football (especially Man Utd!) to his passion for reading and art; from keeping goldfish to making all the staff bacon sandwiches on a Friday! Following our school being awarded 'HPL World Class School' status last summer (please see the photo of Mr Tomlins accepting the award last week on the right!), Mr Tomlins successfully applied for a leadership job working for HPL which will involve him working with children and staff in schools all over the world. It's an incredible opportunity and, whilst we will all miss Mr Tomlins, we are all really proud of him! He has promised to keep in touch with us all and I know everyone at Ravensthorpe will wish him every success in the future.



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Good Luck!

