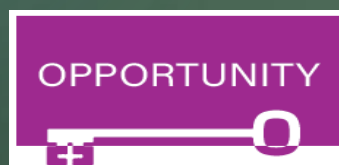




Feelgood Friday Newsletter

5th
November
2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you enjoyed a restful half term break – it always feels a bit more 'wintery' after the clocks have turned back! Please ensure that your children have warm coats, suitable shoes and a warm hat/ gloves so they can continue to learn outdoors.

Unfortunately, we are still very concerned about the impact of Covid 19 on our school community. Covid case numbers are significantly rising in Peterborough and we have three positive cases at this time and have informed the year groups affected. We would advise caution should your child be unwell – if you have any concerns, please book a PCR test as soon as possible. Whilst schools no longer have a remit for track and trace, please do notify us of any positive cases by calling our School Office, to support any necessary planning to keep our children, staff and families safe.

Please remain vigilant in the local area in relation to our email about an unknown man approaching a child at another local school; please speak to your children about being safe outside of school and when playing with friends at weekends etc. We will be giving these messages at school too to help reduce this sort of risk.

We hope you were able to log onto the Parent's Evening system and speak to your child's teacher this week. If you had technical difficulties please contact the office to reschedule an online meeting or a telephone call. We have been advised to stick to virtual rather than in-person events for the rest of this term due to Covid. Please keep an eye on the newsletter for different assemblies and exhibitions. We had to cancel our open morning for parents looking at school places in Reception in 2022, but will be organising an online presentation in the next few weeks.

Have a lovely weekend. If you are going to a bonfire night fireworks display, have a wonderful and safe time!

Best wishes, Mrs Bowyer and Mr Fry

From the Headteacher's Office...

**Message from
Mrs Bowyer and Mr Fry**



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Useful dates

- ❖ **Friday 12th November** – Year 4 assembly (a link will be sent to join Eastern & Western Ospreys virtually)
- ❖ **Monday 15th November** – Anti-bullying week. Wear odd socks to school! (No charge.)
- ❖ **Friday 19th November** – Children in Need. Come to school in spotty/stripey/yellow or fancy dress! £1 suggested donation via ParentPay.com
- ❖ **Friday 19th November** – Classroom exhibitions (virtual)
- **Friday 26th November** – Year 3 assembly (a link will be sent to join Spotted & Golden Kestrels virtually)
- ❖ **Friday 3rd December** – Goshawks & Sparrowhawks virtual assembly (a link will be sent to join virtually)
- ❖ **Friday 10th December** – Yellowbill Kites & Red Kites virtual assembly (a link will be sent to join virtually)



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 for the first half term:

0 days off school in a year 0 lessons missed	100%	Perfect attendance
2 days off school in a year 10 lessons missed	99%	Excellent attendance
5 days off school in a year 25 lessons missed	97%	Good attendance
10 days off school in a year 50 lessons missed	95%	Slightly below average attendance
14 days off school in a year 70 lessons missed	93%	Poor attendance
20 days off school in a year 100 lessons missed	90%	Very poor attendance

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
Barn Owls	95.07%	Snowy Owls	90.49%
Yellowbill Kites	90.36%	Red Kites	93.2%
Sparrowhawks	95.52%	Goshawks	96.89%
Golden Kestrels	94.41%	Spotted Kestrels	92.75%
Western Ospreys	96.88%	Eastern Ospreys	92.68%
Peregrine Falcons	89.65%	Merlin Falcons	94.35%
Sea Eagles	95.07%	Martial Eagles	95.74%

Warning!! Squid Game

Some of you may already be aware of the concerning issues regarding children re-enacting violent games related to the Netflix show, 'Squid Game'.



For those who are not familiar with this, Squid Game is a South Korean thriller series with shows fairly brutal violence that follows a group of adults who compete to win innocent looking playground games, but are killed if they do not succeed at the tasks. **The show is rated 15**, however children are being exposed to violent clips and images which are being uploaded & viewed on other social media platforms and games such as Roblox, YouTube & TikTok. There have been many reports of children creating their own versions of these games (creating a culture of violent bullying), or being invited to online-challenges based on various scenes from the show. There are also gaming platforms that have made various mini games based on Squid Game. These apps and online games convey the violence of the show, some of which use original footage. Please follow this link from the National Online Safety for further information and advice: [squid-game-trending-across-platforms-what-parents-need-to-know](#)

We strongly advise that children should not watch Squid Game and that Parents/Carers should keep a watchful eye on the content that children are viewing. For further advice on how to set parental controls on your child's electronic devices please follow this link : [Using parental controls \(thinkuknow.co.uk\)](#)



IMPORTANT
INFORMATION
FROM
CAMBRIDGSHIRE
CONSTABULARY



Road Safety Week: Be a road safety hero

Road Safety Week takes place from 15th to 21st November with the theme Road safety Heroes, which aims to celebrate the heroic work of road safety professionals.



Who is a road safety hero? Basically, It's anyone who helps to make journeys safer and healthier, including someone who cares for people after a crash. Here are some examples of Heroes: School Crossing patrols, teachers, emergency services, Highway patrols, Medical staff in hospitals, Parents and carers, Road designers, highway engineers & Road safety charities.

Everyone can be a road safety hero. We all have a responsibility to be sensible whilst using roads and pavements to keep ourselves and others safe whilst on our journeys. We can choose safe ways to travel, keep our vehicles road safe and obey road rules whilst travelling at safe speeds. Follow this link to find out more about Road Safety Week and learn about the different ways to can get involved [brake.org.uk/road-safety-week](#)

- Parents and carers can help keep young children safe by:**
- Holding hands with them when walking to school.
 - Crossing roads at safe places.
 - Riding with children on safe paths away from traffic.
 - Making sure children wear a cycle helmet.
 - Making sure a child is sitting in a well-fitted, appropriately sized child seat if travelling by car



Also remember....never use a mobile phone whilst driving, **always** ensure you and your passengers are wearing a seat belt, and **never** drive after drinking or taking drugs.

Road crashes have a devastating effect on families and communities. A recent report from the department for transport claim that more than six children are killed or seriously injured on roads every day in the UK. These tragedies can be avoided if everyone works together to take on their share of responsibilities to keep our roads safe. **This is known as the 'safe system approach'.** Please watch this short video to find out more about how this works. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tijfVzRqwUU> or follow www.brake.org.uk/safesystem

Every death and serious injury on the road is a preventable tragedy.



November 2021

Welcome to our November newsletter: November is gearing up to be a busy month with lots of safety campaigns and awareness events which are all aimed towards specific topics. We have highlighted some of these events along with useful links which we hope will offer support and advice. Parents and Carers are reminded that this newsletter is for **both** Primary and Secondary school children, and therefore trust your judgement to share what you feel is relevant information for your family.

Anti Bullying week: One Kind Word

Anti-Bullying Week takes place from the 15th to the 19th November 2021 and this year's theme is **One Kind Word**. One Kind Word can be a turning point to changing someone's day. It can change the course of a conversation and break the cycle of bullying. This short video demonstrates this further: www.youtube.com/watch?v=VYS-liGv2IY



The week will begin with **Odd Socks Day (15th November)** supported by CBBC and CBeebies star Andy Day and his band 'Andy and the Odd Socks'. There's a serious message behind the fun: let's pull on odd socks to show we're **ALL** unique and different, and let's be kind to each other and respect each other's individuality. Wear odd socks to school or work, or even just at home to highlight that it is **OK** to be different. **Please remember to check with your school and/or employer that this is acceptable.**



The Anti-Bullying Alliance work with children, families and schools to help keep children safe. For more information on other activities for Anti-Bullying week or if you are worried about bullying and need some advice or support, follow this link: anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week.

Remain safe this Bonfire night!

This time last year we celebrated bonfire night in lockdown! I hope you and your families are able to see some lovely displays whether at home or an organised event this year. Please have a read through the **FIREWORK CODE** and the **tips below** to remind and ensure the safety of your families and loved ones. Whilst fireworks are a tradition for this time of year, please consider the impact the loud noises/flashes can have on animals. Please be courteous and advise any neighbours of your plans (note through the door) so they have time to get their pets inside and try and keep them safe and reassured.

- Only **adults** should deal with setting up firework displays, the lighting of fireworks and the safe disposal of fireworks.
- Children and young people should be supervised at all times, and watch and enjoy fireworks at a safe distance.
- Only buy fireworks which carry the CE mark, keep them in a closed box and use them one at a time.
- Light the firework at arm's length with a taper and stand well back.
- Keep naked flames, including cigarettes away from fireworks.
- Never return to a firework once it has been lit.
- Don't put fireworks in pockets and never throw them.
- Direct any rocket fireworks away from spectators.
- Never use paraffin or petrol on a bonfire.
- Make sure that the fire is out and surroundings are made safe before leaving.
- and finally.....remember, alcohol and fireworks do not mix !!



Click on this link for further safety information on fireworks and bonfires: <http://www.rospa.com/Home-Safety/Advice/Fireworks-Safety>



Our School Uniform

Uniform Years 1-5

In September we will be returning to our school uniform on non-PE days. For Years 1-5 the uniform will be white polo shirt, green sweatshirt or cardigan, with grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress (shown in pictures). Black or grey socks/tights with **smart** black trainers or shoes.

Thank you to everyone who completed the uniform survey.

Years 1-6 PE Uniform

PE Uniform for PE days ONLY

Black sweatshirt &
PE T-shirt in House colour
(Red, Blue, Green or Yellow)



Black PE Shorts



Plain Black joggers



AND Black trainers
(NOT Plimsolls)



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Year 6 uniform (in preparation for secondary school)

We would like our year 6 children to wear a shirt/blouse and house team tie (one will be provided for every child in September, if it gets lost parents will need to replace it). With a grey v-neck knitted jumper. This will be worn with grey trousers/skirt, grey or black socks/tights and smart black trainers or shoes.

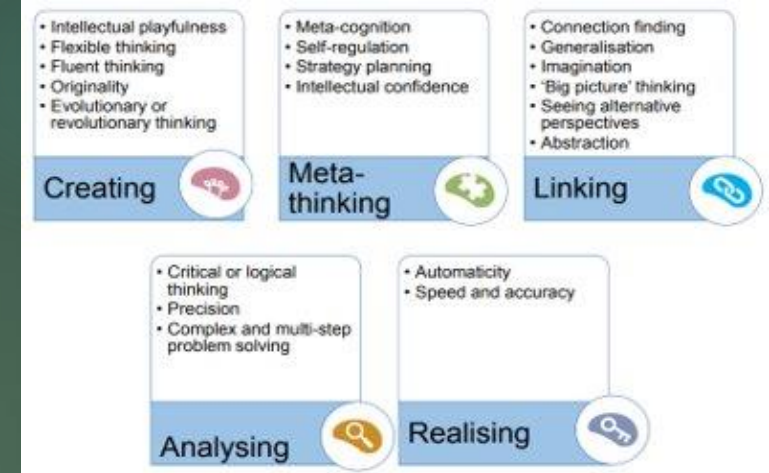


EYFS will wear
this every day as
their 'activity
uniform'

From September we will be calling parents if the incorrect uniform is worn. Uniform standards will also be part of our Home School Agreement.



We will be sharing more information
about High Performance Learning
with parents every week in this
newsletter and on Twitter
@RavensthorpeP



Barn Owls:
Marko

3 Spotted Kestrels:
Joshua

5 Merlin Falcons:
Callum

Snowy Owls:
Aishmeet

3 Golden Kestrels:
Emilia G

5 Peregrine Falcons:
Ryan

1 Yellowbill Kites:
Oliver

2 Sparrowhawks:
Arnas

4 Eastern Ospreys:
Daisie-Mae

6 Sea Eagles:
Ealaf

1 Red Kites:
Marlie-Rose

4 Western Ospreys:
Krishna

6 Martial Eagles:
Maita

2 Goshawks:
Blake

Just before half term Chloe in Year 6 joined a new football team called ICA girls and she played her first football match ever.

She played in defence and her team played against Ramsey and her team won 2-1.

Well done – we are very proud of you!



PERSONAL
BEST



Achievements and success
inside AND outside of school.



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.



Birthdays this week

COMMUNITY



Healthy snacks & water bottles

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

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



Elijah A
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Misela
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Kawser
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Klaudija
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Zeineldin
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Damian
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Happy Birthday from everyone at Ravensthorpe!

