

Feelgood Friday Newsletter

7th January 2022











From the Headteacher's Office...

Dear parents and carers,

Happy New Year! Welcome to the Spring Term – although it feels a long way from Spring at the moment in the cold weather. It has been an exciting start to the term here at Ravensthorpe as the children have started our new, whole school topic of 'Ice Worlds.' Hopefully, they will be sharing with you the amazing start they have had to the term – we have had a real life explorer visit Key Stage 1. Year 3 have been looking at how animals stay warm and in Year 5 they have learnt that experiments involving melting ice take a lot longer than planned when the weather is so cold and classrooms have to be well-ventilated!

Of course, our classrooms remain well-ventilated because Covid has not gone away. Rates in Peterborough, with the new Omicron Variant, remain very high and we would like to say a huge thank you to parents and carers for wearing face coverings at drop off and collection. As staff, we will continue to wear face-coverings when walking around the school and the children will continue to frequently wash their hands. Your on-going support during this pandemic is really appreciated. We have sent out more information on the latest Covid guidance for schools via email this week.

As we start this new term we are aware that some families may have moved or updated their phone numbers. Please make sure you let the office know of any changes to your contact details.

Thank you again for your ongoing support.

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



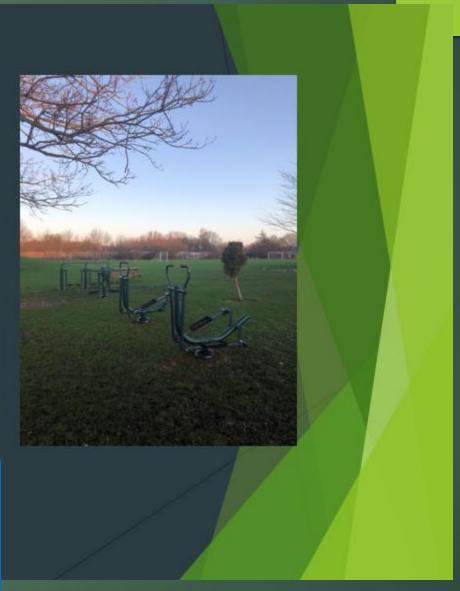
New gym equipment was installed at the end of December



Our new gym equipment!

Year 6 used the new equipment for the first time on Thursday! The area is quite muddy, so please make sure they bring spare shoes/trainers/wellies and a bag if your year 6 child would like to use it.

(We are looking into a more suitable ground covering for this area.)



<u>Pupil details</u>

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

<u>https://forms.office.com/r/cfR</u> XYcrknQ



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.

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 for 29th Nov ember – 3rd December:

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
Barn Owls	80.83%	Snowy Owls	87.69%
Yellowbill Kites	96.69%	Red Kites	89.23%
Sparrowhawks	91.35%	Goshawks	96.9%
Golden Kestrels	95.67%	Spotted Kestrels	90.75%
Western Ospreys	94.96%	Eastern Ospreys	93.85%
Peregrine Falcons	88.28%	Merlin Falcons	89.74%
Sea Eagles	87.88%	Martial Eagles	92.86%





Natalia T in Spotted Kestrels got two silver medals and one bronze medal in her gymnastics competition at the beginning of December.

Well done!

Well done – we are very proud of you!

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

