



World Class School 2021



Feelgood Friday Newsletter

24th June
2022

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From the Headteacher's Office...

Dear parents and carers,

Well that was certainly an interesting week! We want to start this week with a huge, heartfelt thank you to everyone in our school community for pulling together on Tuesday as we dealt with the burst pipe at the side of school. Not only did this make it impossible to use our main gate, but we had to contend with a torrent of water coming down the slope onto the Key Stage 1 playground and at the same time the fact that in school we had no running water! Your support and understanding were really appreciated as was the fact that parents and carers responded so quickly to our communications advising that some year groups would have to close early. If you didn't receive the message or if you have recently changed phone numbers or addresses, please do let the office know as soon as possible so that we can contact you in an emergency (although we hope there won't be a repeat of Tuesday!)

This week we also welcomed into school the parents of the reception children who will be starting in September. It was lovely to be able to do this in person this year and to share key messages such as the importance of attendance and being on time. We know that there are times where children are unwell and cannot be in school, but we are unable to authorise holidays in term time, extended visits to family (no matter what the reason). Across our Trust, we have also been advised that appointments to embassies for passports/paperwork cannot be authorised – parents and carers are asked to ensure these are booked during school holidays. As school staff, we understand the difficulty of having to fit everything in to the holidays, but it is so important that the children do not miss out on learning.

We also spoke to our new parents about labelling clothes, shoes, hoodies, coats and all other belongings with their child's name. We have a mountain of lost property currently in school that we cannot return as it is not named. You can get sew on, stick on or stamp on labels for clothes, but you can also use a permanent marker such as a Sharpie, just check every now and again that it has not faded. We will be holding a Lost Property Pop Up Shop on the Courtyard shortly – all unnamed items will be available for parents to take away free of charge or for a small donation.

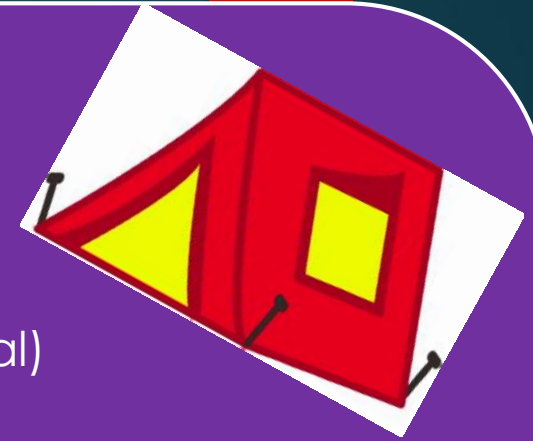
Best wishes, Mrs Bowyer (Head of School) and Mr Fry (Executive Headteacher)



Dates for your diary



JULY



Wednesday 6th July – Year 3 Farm Camp trip (1 night residential)

Friday 8th July – 'Class move up' Day – letters will be emailed out before this date
(Secondary school move up day is Wednesday 6th July)

Friday 15th July – School reports emailed to parents/carers

Wednesday 20th July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9-10am (invite will be sent nearer the time)

Thursday 21st July – Last day of term (early finish: **EYFS, Year 1, 3 & 5 finish at 1:20pm, Year 2, 4 & 6 finish at 1:30pm**)

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>

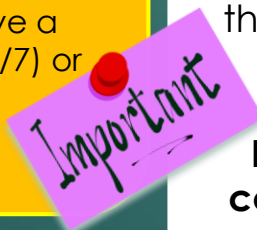


Drop off/Collection

If you travel to school by car, please make sure you are driving & parking safely. Children & babies must be in appropriate car seats for their age/weight/height - this is the law.

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 from 13th – 17th June 2022:

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
Barn Owls	94.0%	Snowy Owls	92.5%
Yellowbill Kites	95.83%	Red Kites	73.08%
Sparrowhawks	93.33%	Goshawks	91.03%
Golden Kestrels	95.17%	Spotted Kestrels	90.74%
Western Ospreys	97.5%	Eastern Ospreys	96.43%
Peregrine Falcons	89.66%	Merlin Falcons	93.75%
Sea Eagles	97.24%	Martial Eagles	91.15%



Our Champions of the week.



Celebrating our best!



Values, Attitudes and Attributes (VAAs)

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Hard Working



Our focus in school this week has been on practice and perseverance. Our Phase Assemblies used the story of 'The Bear and the Piano' by David Litchfield. This beautiful picture book tells the story of a bear, who finds a piano in the forest. At first it makes a terrible sound, but he practises and practises until he becomes a famous concert pianist! We thought about how we practise in school:



“We practise our handwriting every day” Year 3

“We practise in PE to get better and better” Year 5

How can we show perseverance in school:

“We can answer a question, even if we are not sure we have the right answer” Year 6

“We can keep going, even if we find something difficult at first” Year 4



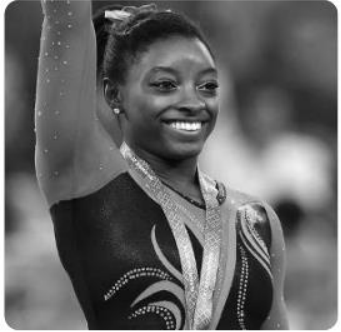
In our assemblies, we learnt that learning is a journey and that sometimes we can all fall into 'the pit'. We watched a short video from Class Dojo about the pit – you can take a look at the video at <http://vid.ly/7s0b8l>



The good news is that it is possible to get out of 'the pit' and today we are looking at how Katie overcame her worries. To watch the video go to: <http://vid.ly/3j6i8k>



Every class has looked at how someone famous showed perseverance.



Simone Biles
Gymnast

Simone Biles is a famous African-American gymnast who won 4 gold medals at the 2016 Olympics. She has also won many other world championship medals. Simone started her gymnastic career at the age of 6 years old. She showed determination and perseverance as she had to train for around 32 hours a week! Simone did not do very well in some competitions, she felt deflated and wanted to give up, but she practiced hard and showed resilience to carry on and achieve her dreams. A true inspiration to us all!

Zendaya Coleman is a singer, actress and more importantly an activist. She is best known for her Disney show and currently starring in the Spiderman series as MJ. She has shown great perseverance when overcoming her own self-doubts about if she would ever be good enough as she puts a lot of pressure on herself to be better. Whilst Zendaya has been in the limelight, she has taken on a lot of criticism about what she looks like. She has shown how great resilience in calmly speaking and overcoming the injustice she currently suffers from and still persevering through. She also makes a positive difference to the world by supporting charities in South Africa and repeatedly raising money for charitable causes.



Zendaya Coleman
Singer

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Beyonce Knowles is an African-American singer song-writer. As a young girl, Beyonce competed in a number of singing competitions as a part of numerous girl groups when she was a child, but they continually lost. Beyonce used the disappointment from these loses as motivation to work even harder. The girls practiced tirelessly by running in the park whilst singing to ensure they built their stamina. In the late 1990's the group, now called Destiny's Child rose to fame. Beyonce has gone on to become one of the most famous selling female artists of our generation.



Beyoncé Knowles-Carter, Singer

Bethany Hamilton is an American surfer who got her arm bitten off by a shark in 2003 when she was just 13 years old. This did not stop her from pursuing her dream of becoming a professional surfer. Shockingly, she returned to the water just 26 days later to continue her training. She was resilient , hard-working and perseverant. She has successfully competed in hundreds of competitions and even written books about her experiences.



Bethany Hamilton
Surfer



Lin-Manuel Miranda
Actor, Playwrite

J.K. Rowling is the author of the best-selling Harry Potter series. It wasn't easy to achieve her dream of being an author. Her first Harry Potter book was rejected by 12 publishers, but she didn't give up! She showed great perseverance and Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's stone was published in 1997. Since then, the Harry Potter books have sold over a billion copies worldwide and she has fulfilled her dreams of becoming an author.



J.K. Rowling
Author



Thomas Edison
Inventor

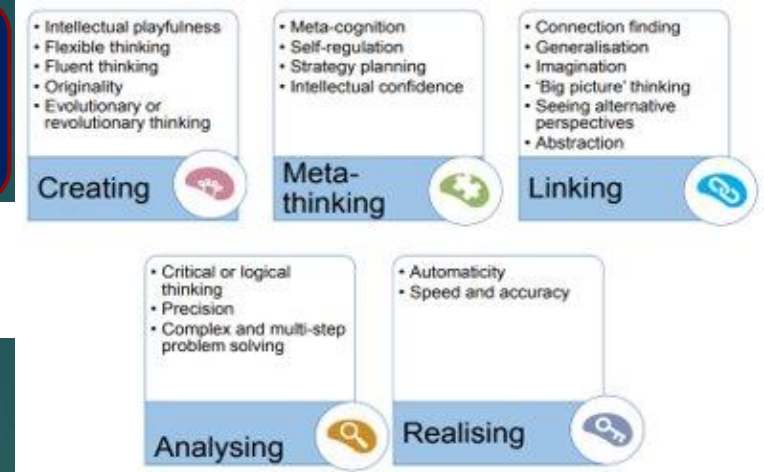
Thomas Edison is well known for his brilliant inventions. His attempts at new designs didn't always go to plan, but he showed perseverance and resilience to alter his designs. This enabled him to produce these inventions – the lightbulb, sound recording and motion pictures. Over time, his inventions have been developed and we still use them today. Thank you, Thomas Edison!



Dr. Martin Luther
King, Jr., Activist

Martial Eagles

We learnt about Dr. Martin Luther King who spent a lot of his short life fighting for people to be treated equally. He wrote letters, campaigned and organised protests which aimed to stop people being judged & treated differently because of the colour of their skin. As a child, he was not allowed to go to some parks or schools because he was black. He made a promise to himself and had to be really resilient to reach his goal, he was threatened and arrested (over 20 times). Luther achieved his aim and the laws were changed. Many people today continue to still be inspired by the success & hard work of Dr. Martin Luther King. One person can have a massive impact and make the world a better place!



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



Barn Owls:

3 Spotted Kestrels:

Tomas E

5 Merlin Falcons:
The camping crew!



Snowy Owls:

3 Golden Kestrels:

Jacob

1 Yellowbill Kites:
Eisa

2 Sparrowhawks:
Anya

4 Eastern Ospreys:
Hallie-Mae

5 Peregrine Falcons:
All of the happy campers!

6 Sea Eagles:
Kiswa

1 Red Kites:
Sophia

2 Goshawks:
Unik

4 Western Ospreys:
Jan

6 Martial Eagles:
Tomas

Young Explorers Farm Camp



Arriving



Pond dipping



Handling
farm
animals



Orienteering



Fire making



Den building



Cooking your
own tea.



Exhausting!



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Achievements and success
inside AND outside of school.



Well done – we are very proud of you!



Goshawks Ana and Kajus both
achieved their Stage 1 swimming
award. Super swimmers!



Ethan, in year 3,
got his 10-metre
swimming award.

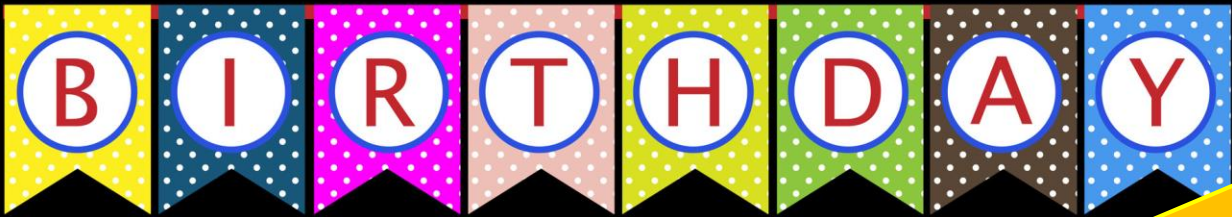
Well done!

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.

Emilia, in year 2, learned to ride her bike without
stabilisers with the help of Dr Bike (in school last
week).
Well done!

Birthdays this week



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.



Sara S
6

Joey
7

Olivia B
7

Emilija C
8

Miss
Chance

Haniyah
7

Edward N
6

Aleks
8

Onel
10

Daniels
10

Azhaan
7

Kian
9

Happy Birthday from everyone at Ravensthorpe!