



Feelgood Friday Newsletter

3rd
December
2021



LEARNING

OPPORTUNITY

COMMUNITY

PERSONAL
BEST

LEADERSHIP

From the Headteacher's Office...

Dear parents and carers,

We cannot believe it is December already! It has certainly been a busy week in school – particularly for our Spotted Kestrels and Golden Kestrels in Year 3, who enjoyed a fantastic trip to Stibbington for a Victorian Day on Wednesday. Not only did they get to experience a day in a Victorian classroom, but they got to write with ink pens (some still had ink on their hand the following day...) and enjoy playing with Victorian toys in the playground. Year 4 had such a great time on this trip last week and it was lovely to see how excited Year 3 were about their experience.

Trips and visits are one of the things we were unable to do last year due to Covid. Sadly, things are not yet back to normal and you will be aware that this week the Government has reintroduced the wearing of face masks in shops and enclosed spaces. Peterborough is also an 'Enhanced Resource Area' as rates of Covid-19 remain very high in this area. As a result, our reception area is currently for staff only. If you need to speak to the office, please do not enter the school building but use the window to talk to staff. If you need to speak to the class teacher at drop off or collection time, please wear a face mask. All visitors to the school must wear a face mask.

Thank you for your ongoing understanding and support in keeping our school community safe.

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



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Christmas Cards

Children can bring in Christmas Cards for their class from next week. We cannot run our 'school postal service', so please only bring in cards for your own class.

End of Term

It is now only two weeks until the end of Term. Don't forget that school will close for the Christmas Holidays at 1:20pm for Reception, Year 1, 3 and 5 and at 1:30pm for Years 2, 4 and 6.



Dates for your diary

Friday 10th December - Year 1 virtual assembly

Tuesday 14th December - Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day

Friday 17th December - Last day of term

Wednesday 5th January 2022 - School reopens

Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day

Rocky's Diner will be serving up Christmas Dinner on Tuesday 14th December. Children can wear their Christmas Jumpers that day and enjoy a full Christmas Dinner with their classes.



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>



Important

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 22nd - 26th November:

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
Barn Owls	89.6%	Snowy Owls	86.92%
Yellowbill Kites	83.6%	Red Kites	88.85%
Sparrowhawks	93.33%	Goshawks	95.86%
Golden Kestrels	92.67%	Spotted Kestrels	97.0%
Western Ospreys	93.21%	Eastern Ospreys	96.15%
Peregrine Falcons	85.27%	Merlin Falcons	97.3%
Sea Eagles	90.37%	Martial Eagles	92.86%



The Great Fire of London burned for 5 long days. We looked at all the events and ordered them carefully on a timeline.



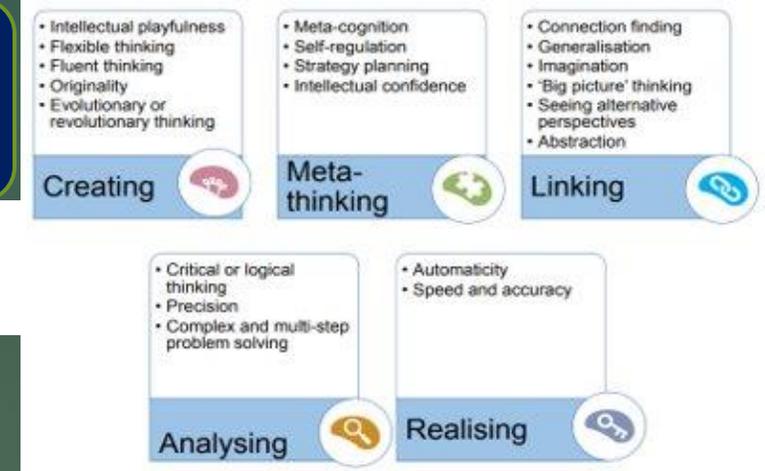


Our Champions of the week.



Celebrating our best!





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



Barn Owls:
Lukas

3 Spotted Kestrels:
Natalia T

5 Merlin Falcons:
Emilis



Snowy Owls:
Riley

3 Golden Kestrels:
David

5 Peregrine Falcons:
Sidra

1 Yellowbill Kites:
Andrew

2 Sparrowhawks:
John-Paul

4 Eastern Ospreys:
Hunter

6 Sea Eagles:
Sophie

1 Red Kites:
Melani K

4 Western Ospreys:
Mercedes

6 Martial Eagles:
Deimante

2 Goshawks:
Dexter



ACPs

Advanced Cognitive Performance Characteristics



Linking

Linking

Linking is about making connections between ideas and concepts and being able to see things abstractly and take on views of others.

- **Generalisation** – to be able to link current learning to other situations.
- **Connecting findings** – to be able to link previous learning to current.
- **Big picture thinking** – to be able to work with big ideas and holistic concepts.
- **Abstraction** – to be able to move from concrete to abstract very quickly.
- **Imagination** – to be able to make connections to other prior learning.
- **Seeing alternative perspectives** – to be able to take on the views of others.

Our KS2 literary character for this characteristic is J.R.R. Tolkien's Gandalf the wizard. During *The Hobbit* and *Lord of the Rings* Gandalf is the link between the races. He sees the bigger picture and understands the perspectives of others and uses his imagination to find solutions that no one else could see.

Gandalf



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Linking – school based examples

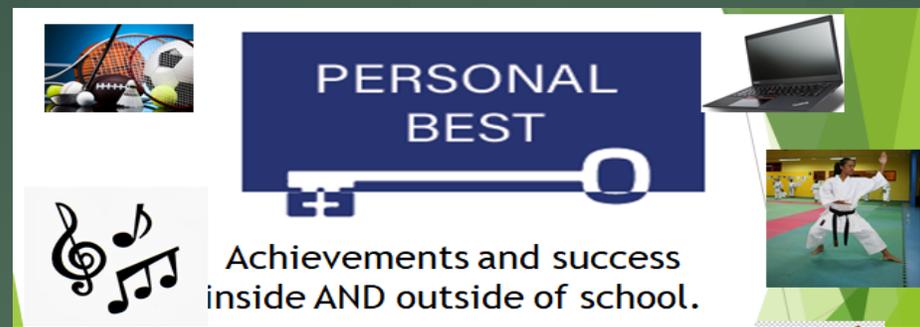
- **Generalisation** – to see how tables knowledge can help with long multiplications.
- **Connecting findings** – learning a phoneme spelling and applying it to “new” spellings.
- **Big picture thinking** – going from counting objects to using numbers.
- **Abstraction** – recording experiments in diagrams and graphs.
- **Imagination** – solving multi-step problems using different language and calculation skills.
- **Seeing alternative perspectives** – listening to others who have differing ideas or listening to complex instructions and being able to follow.

Gandalf





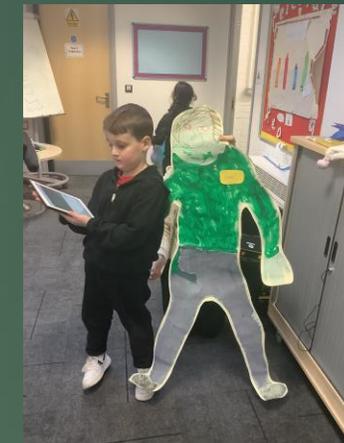
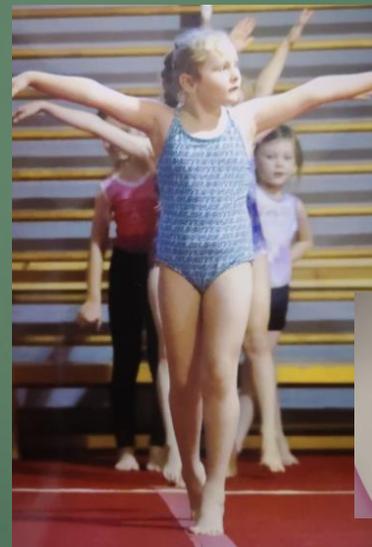
Sophie in Year 2 Goshawks received a Class Star award in Karate for focus and good technique.



Arons in Year 3 has joined a local football team and took part in his first match at the weekend.



Ana in Year 2 Goshawks has achieved well in gymnastics this week gaining her proficiency award Level 8.



Joey in Year 2 Sparrowhawks has created a great model of our school uniform



Keane in Year 2 Goshawks has been enjoying his Beavers club out of school and has made a lovely snowman!

Well done – we are very proud of you!

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



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.



Liliana
5

Tudor
8

Declan
9

Elizabeth
9

Aariya
6



Oliver D
7

Migle
11

Florence
8



Happy Birthday from everyone at Ravensthorpe!