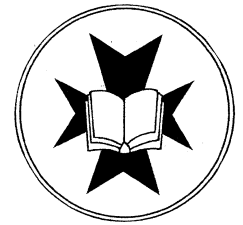


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Week 1: w/c 07.01.19

A big welcome back to you all and a very Happy New Year! It was lovely to see you all return to school so eagerly after the Christmas break. I do hope you all enjoyed some much needed rest and family time.

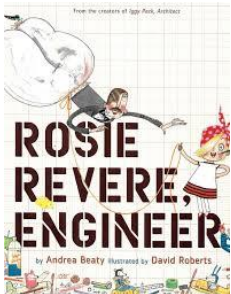
As you know, my time will be split over the next two terms between St John's and Lillington Primary. It is certainly a fantastic opportunity and I know that, on the days that I am not on site, the school will be in very good hands! I will be here on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday morning. Mrs Baker will be at the helm on the remaining days, supported by the rest of Senior Leadership: Mrs Eastham, Mrs Fenner, Miss Tonge, Mrs Tennant and Mr Lee. I know that you will give them your full support.

I started the week by reminding the children of our learning words. Please test your children to see if they can remember them!

Best wishes,

Mr D Barrow
Head Teacher

What We've Been Learning This Week: KS2



In Key Stage Two this week, we have been thoroughly enjoying our writing week based around the book 'Rosie Revere, Engineer' by Andrea Beaty. This text is beautifully illustrated and is written completely in rhyme. Across the key stage, the children have been creatively writing their own versions of the

story and designing their own inventions, inspired by Rosie; they have had a wonderful time. We are really looking forward to sharing our stories with our partner 'reading buddy' classes this Friday afternoon!

What We've Been Learning This Week: KS1

This week in Key Stage One, we have been doing lots of exciting activities for writing week based around our text 'Almost Anything' by Sophy Henn. It is a text based on perseverance and having a positive growth mindset.



The story is all about George the rabbit, who struggles to believe he can do anything until he receives a magic hat from his friend. Linking to our story, we have been learning about what growth mindset is and how we can persevere when we find something difficult.

We used drama to retell the story, and created a new page to add to the book. We really enjoyed making our own magic hats and have completed some artwork showing repeating patterns in the style of Sophy Henn. 'Almost Anything' is a book that has inspired us all to believe in ourselves and we have really enjoyed our learning based around it.

Polite Reminder: Bicycles and Scooters

To ensure everyone's safety, please could we remind you that children (including younger siblings) should not ride scooters or bicycles on the playground in the morning or after school? We would also appreciate it if you could remind children that ball games should not take place on the playground before or after school. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Dinner Money

School lunches for children in Years 3 to 6 are £2.30 per day. Please ensure that you pay in advance, ideally half-termly via ParentPay. Please also ensure that any outstanding balances are settled. Thank you.

Parent Sharing Lunches

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| 4T | 16 th January 2019, 12.30pm |
| 4P | 6 th February, 12.30pm |
| 3B | 6 th March, 12.30pm |
| 3TH | 27 th March, 12.30pm |
| 2T | 8 th May, 12.00pm |
| 1C | 5 th June, 12.00pm |
| RK | 3 rd July, 12.00pm |

STEM Week

We are looking forward to our upcoming Science, Technology and Engineering week, so are busy preparing a wealth of exciting activities for children. If you have a science or engineering background, or know someone who does, and would be willing to spare an hour of your time to come into school, please let Mrs Tennant know.



PTA Disco

Don't forget that Thursday 24th January is a non-uniform day and the school disco (Reception & KS1: 3.30pm – 4.15pm / KS2: 4.30pm – 5.30pm). Cost: £1 non-uniform / £1 entrance to disco. Look out for a letter with further info next week!

The PTA are very conscious of protecting our planet so, due to the excessive waste produced by using disposable plastic cups, are kindly asking that **parents provide any children attending the school disco with their own water bottle**. They will, of course, be happy to refill them when required. Thank you for your understanding.



Term Dates

SPRING TERM

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| INSET DAY CLOSURE | - Mon | 7 | January | 2019 |
| School opens at 8.45 am | - Tue | 8 | January | 2019 |

Half-Term

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| School closes at 3.15 pm | - Fri | 15 | February | 2019 |
| School opens at 8.45 am | - Mon | 25 | February | 2019 |

EASTER HOLIDAY

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| School closes at 3.15 pm | - Fri | 12 | April | 2019 |
| BANK HOLIDAY GOOD FRIDAY | - Fri | 19 | April | 2019 |
| BANK HOLIDAY EASTER MONDAY | - Mon | 22 | April | 2019 |

SUMMER TERM

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| School opens at 8.45 am | - Mon | 29 | April | 2019 |
| BANK HOLIDAY CLOSURE | - Mon | 6 | May | 2019 |

Half-Term

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| School closes at 3.15 pm | - Fri | 24 | May | 2019 |
| School opens at 8.45 am | - Mon | 3 | June | 2019 |
| INSET DAY CLOSURE | - Fri | 21 | June | 2019 |

SUMMER HOLIDAY

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| School closes at 3.15 pm | - Fri | 19 | July | 2019 |
| INSET DAY CLOSURE | - Mon | 22 | July | 2019 |

Diary Dates

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| Mon 14 th Jan | pm: Year 5 personal challenge event (Campion School) |
| Tue 15 th Jan | pm: 4T/3B swimming starts back |
| Wed 16 th Jan | 12.30pm: Parent sharing lunch – 4T |
| Fri 18 th Jan | 9.00am: Celebration assembly Year 6 WW2 evacuee day |
| Mon 21 st Jan | 3.30pm: Residential trip parent information meeting – parents of current Year 5 (Hall) – <i>letter to follow</i> |
| Tue 22 nd Jan | am: Reception/Year 6 height and weight checks |
| Thu 24 th Jan | PTA non-uniform day & New Year disco |
| Wed 30 th Jan | 9.00am: 4P – class assembly |
| Tue 5 th Feb | pm: 4T/3B swimming – last session |
| Wed 6 th Feb | 12.30pm: Parent sharing lunch – 4P |
| Thu 14 th Feb | 2.30pm: Year 1 grandparents' stay and play – <i>letter to follow</i> 2.45pm: Year 4 Chinese performance – parents/carers invited – <i>letter to follow</i> |
| Fri 15th Feb | 3.15pm: Break up for February half-term |
| w/c Mon 25 th Feb | STEM week |
| Mon 25th Feb | Back to school 3.30pm-5.30pm: Parents' evening |
| Wed 25 th Feb | 4.30pm-6.30pm: Parents' evening |

Class Assemblies

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| 4P | 30 th January | 5S | 12 th June |
| 3B | 13 th March | RK | 26 th June |
| 3TH | 10 th April | 6E/6L | Leavers' Assembly: Friday 19 th July |
| 1C | 22 nd May | | |

Teacher-led Extra Curricular Clubs

Teacher-led clubs will start next week (w/c Monday 14th January). Letters have gone home confirming allocation of places. If you're still unsure what clubs your child will be taking part in, please speak to the office.

| Day | Time | Club | Adult |
|------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| Mon | 12.30pm – 1.00pm | KS1 Mindfulness Colouring | Miss Tonge |
| | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Football (Years 5 & 6) | Miss Eggleton |
| | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Football Team | Mr Sharp |
| Tue | 12.00pm – 12.30pm | KS2 Mindfulness Colouring | Miss Baker |
| Wed | 12.30pm – 1.00pm | Choir | Miss Cossins |
| Thu | 12.00pm – 12.30pm | Textiles (Group 2) | Miss Taylor |