



# Great Rollright C. E. Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter



Wednesday May 23rd 2019

### **Gold Book Term 5**

**This week we presented our Gold Book to**

**Meadow: Claudie Gormley**

**Woodland: Zara Edmondson**

**Ocean: Willa Buxton**

**Mountains: Pearl Goddard**

**Well done!**

### **Trip to Finland**

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May, Miss Bartlett, Mrs Keene and myself, took 13 children to Finland for five days. This trip started many years ago and is a wonderful opportunity for our children to travel abroad, make new friends and experience a different environment.

During our time in Finland we travelled on a speed boat around the archipelago islands, went fishing, cooked sausages outside, went swimming, climbed a mountain, went to school and spent time exploring the local area including the shops. The children also spent an evening with Finnish families.

The children were an absolute pleasure to be with throughout the trip and their manners were commented on many, many times. The Finnish trip can only continue until our partner teachers finish at the school for their retirement so we are very grateful for every year that we are able to share this wonderful experience with another set of children.

I would like to thank Miss Bartlett and Mrs Keene very much for giving up their time to enable this trip to take place. This school is very lucky to have staff who give so much.

### **Ocean TA Mr Jones**

Last week Mr Jones talked to all the children about his sponsored walk which he is doing this weekend. Not just any walk, but a non-stop 100km walk from London to Brighton. He's aiming to finish in about 28 hours. He also talked about his Parkinson's and how that may affect his walk. The children asked some fantastic question especially about his 'personal trainer' Charlie, his 2 year old labrador.

If you would like to sponsor him you can go online to [www.mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/derekjones2](http://www.mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/derekjones2) or call the School Office where there will be a sponsor form available until June 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **New play equipment installation**

The installation of new play equipment at the bottom of the school field began yesterday. This is long overdue and we very much look forward to having the area back in action.

Our next huge project is to completely renovate the Early Years area. The cost of this could be somewhere in the region of £40,000 and so we will soon start to plan some very significant fundraising to try and meet this need. If you are able to offer your support or skills in any way then please do get in touch as all help will be invaluable in moving us towards this target.

### **School Clubs**

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for next terms clubs via Parent Mail. There are still some spaces available which you can sign up to via the School Office.

### **School Summer Fete - Saturday 29th June**

The preparations for the summer fete are truly underway! This is the biggest fundraiser of the year and we need your help to make it a success.

Please start saving empty jam jars and empty wine bottles (with lids!) for games. We also need tombola prizes, full bottles of wine (!), books and teddies in good, clean condition.

We do not need these items until after half term so please do not send them into school yet. Thank you.

### **Grand Fete Raffle Prizes**

This is one of the biggest fund raising items of the fete and is a great attraction! Are you able to help provide any exciting prizes in the form of merchandise, vouchers, experiences? We of course do contact local businesses, but if you have any connections who could donate anything unusual to make our raffle extra ordinary this year, we'd love to hear from you on [greatrollrightfriends@gmail.com](mailto:greatrollrightfriends@gmail.com)

### **Return of library books**

We need to collect in all of the Warwickshire library books which we currently hold within school. Please could you check very carefully at home and if you find any school/ library books please send them back in as soon as possible. If we can't account for all the books provided to us by the service then the school will be fined.

### **Bingo - Friday 31st May**

Bingo will be on at Great Rollright Village Hall on Friday 31st May.

As always, lots of fun with opportunities to WIN WIN WIN!! Doors open at 7pm and eyes down at 7.30pm. ALL WELCOME

Any enquiries to [grrbingo@aol.com](mailto:grrbingo@aol.com)

### **Future trips**

I thought it would be useful for you to know at this stage about some future events we are planning at school. The whole school will be attending the Oxford Playhouse pantomime of Beauty and the Beast in December and I have booked an RSC experience day for Mountain class which includes a performance of 'The boy in the dress' by David Walliams in February 2020. Hopefully with significant advance warning this will help you in planning any family events for Christmas and beyond!

### **Eco Brick campaign**

We have accumulated another 150 bricks for the Co-Op's Eco Brick campaign! Thank you to everyone who has contributed bricks and please don't stop making them yet.

### **Match Giving - Does your company run this scheme?**

Matched giving (also known as match funding) boosts fundraising as employers match the money raised by employees at events such as the Summer Fete. Some companies offer this on a pound-for-pound basis, while others will specify the amount they're prepared to give.

Can you help school fund raise by asking your work about matched giving? Please contact the Friends for any further help or information, [greatrollrightfriends@gmail.com](mailto:greatrollrightfriends@gmail.com) or speak to Helen Hare 07580132876.

<https://www.cafonline.org/>

### **Value for Term**

Our Christian Value for Term 5 is Friendship

## **Minibus times**

The minibus is no longer navigating roadworks and traffic diversions and is back to its original schedule. The morning bus times are as follows:

**1<sup>st</sup> bus - 7.50a.m. / 2<sup>nd</sup> bus - 8.20a.m. / 3<sup>rd</sup> bus - 8.40a.m.**

**Please be prompt as the bus needs to drive away on time to stay on schedule.**

## **Term Dates**

24.5.19 End of Term

**3.6.19 - INSET day**

**4.6.19 - Term 6 starts**

5.6.19 - Whole school/class photos

10.6.19 - Mountains trip to Gifford Circus – please visit Parent Mail for permission and payments

10.6.19 - Phonics testing week

13.6.19 - Yr 6 Opera day

19.6.19 - New Parent meeting 6pm

20.6.19 - Yr 6 to the Longborough Opera

26.6.19 - Meadow and Woodland trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park

10.7.19 - Sports Day

12.7.19 - Reports home to parents

15.7.19 - KS2 play in afternoon

16.7.19 - KS2 play in afternoon and evening

17.7.19 – Open afternoon

18.7.19 – Move Up morning

26/27 .6. 19 - CNS transition days

29.6.19 - School Fete