



# Great Rollright C. E. Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter



Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> October 2020

### Gold Book Term

This week we presented our Gold Book to  
**Meadow: Freya Weller**  
**Woodland: Odin Fisher**  
**Ocean: Henri Shelton**  
**Mountains: Katya Palmer**  
**Well done!**

### COVID -19 survey

Many thanks to all of you who have responded to the COVID-19 survey which was sent via Parentmail to all families who had children in school before the summer holiday.

The survey will close at the end of Friday 9<sup>TH</sup> October.

The link, should you wish to contribute, is below.

<https://forms.gle/dHTj5MHU8wtoyV2n9>

The results are very interesting and the comments will be extremely useful. As always, there are very wide-ranging opinions on what works, what is appropriate and what should happen moving forward. As a school, it will be our job to find a middle way forward which reflects your wishes as far as is possible and practical given the wide range of scenarios we might face in the future.

It is heartening to read the overwhelmingly positive comments made about the school's response to such an extraordinary time and we thank you for these.

### Picture News

Each week in school, we receive a pack of current news items and features for discussion from the company 'Picture News'.

There is also an accompanying parent sheet which is designed to support families in holding interesting conversations about current issues at home (see attachment). From this week I intend to send the weekly 'Picture News' sheet home on a Wednesday via Parentmail so that if you would like to explore some of the topics together then you can.

I'm sure you know that speaking and listening skills are essential in developing successful thinking and learning in our children and I hope that you find the articles useful for creating 'talk' opportunities at home.

### October 100 Club News

The winners of the prize draw this month are:

- 1st Prize - Alexis Knight
- 2nd Prize - Holly Welstead
- 3rd Prize - Lynsey Jones

Congratulations to our winners and a big thank you to all the supporters of the 100 Club!

### Parking outside of school

We are receiving lots of complaints from local residents about the parking at drop off/pick up time each day. Whilst there are more cars travelling to/from school, it is especially important that everyone parks with consideration for the people who have driveways around the school site and on nearby roads.

## WELCOME from the new Friends of Great Rollright School committee.



Hello, my name is Martene and I am the new chair of our school PTA. Firstly I would to say a few thank yous; the previous chair Sam for doing such a great job over the last couple of years. Trustees; Lisa for her dedicated support particularly for the fete and dog show. Treasurer; Michelle who has been on the committee for over 8yrs, dedicating time, hard work, fun and money to help raise over £100k for the school. I know both my sons and your children will have enjoyed the PTA events and also benefitted from the 'extra' school resources. We presented flowers and cards in the rain last week. (sadly Michelle was not available for a



### New Committee

We now welcome a new committee:

Treasurer : Kate Drake

Secretary : Charlotte Robinson

Trustee: Rebecca MacRae

Trustee: Kate Wood

Trustee: Rachel Keenan

We held our AGM meeting last week, all reports will be linked on the school website and the highlights will be communicated separately.

#### So, what's the aim of Friends of Great Rollright?

It's simple. To raise cash to provide the children cool things to do while they are at school, whilst having fun on the way and boosting the community spirit. It's important to remember that the budget the school gets from the Department for Education is to support the curriculum. It's not for workshops, coaches, musical instruments, disco's, climbing frames or fetes. All those extra things have been provided by the PTA at some point in the past.

#### So what next?

We are usually a social bunch but current restrictions mean we are holding our first meeting via zoom on **Wednesday 7th October at 8pm**. This will provide the opportunity to meet, get creative and plan for this years fundraising and social events. (fingers crossed) We hold monthly meetings so please take the opportunity to join in when you can.

click the link to join.

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

### Scholastic Online Book Shop

Our new **Scholastic Book Club is up and running!** Go to <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/great-rollright> to browse the latest books and order online. For **every £1 you spend** on this month's Book Club, **our school will earn 20p** in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your **order online by October 31st, 2020**.

## Worried about a child?

It is everybody's responsibility to keep children and young people safe. If you're concerned that a child is being abused or neglected you should report it so that the child can be protected.

**If you think a child is in immediate danger, call the police on 999. If you have a concern about a child, please call MASH on 0345 050 7666.**

## Where to go for help

If you are a child or young person and you are being abused or neglected **please contact the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub on one of the following numbers:**

- Office hours (8.30am – 5pm, Monday to Thursday, 8.30am – 4pm, Friday): **0345 050 7666**
- Outside office hours: Emergency Duty Team: **0800 833 408**

[ChildLine](#) is the free confidential helpline for children and young people in the UK. Call **0800 1111**.

The [NSPCC](#) has a helpline 0808 800 5000 for children and young people, and a website with helpful advice about what to do if you are worried or scared.

## Value for this week

Our Christian Value for this week is Community