



# Great Rollright C. E. Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter



Friday May 13th 2022

### **Gold Book**

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

Meadow: Tové

Woodland: Charlie

Ocean: Otto

Mountains: Percy

**Well done!**

### **Curriculum Newsletter**

Please find attached the curriculum newsletter for the Summer Term. It contains an overview of the learning taking place in our topic work across the school with key questions, vocabulary and useful resources. Please do take a look.

### **Year Six SATs**

This week our year Six children sat the government tests in English and Maths. After such a disrupted period of schooling over the last two years, this was a challenging experience for all and the children rose magnificently to the task – facing the tests with quiet determination, good humour and resilience. We are very proud of them for trying their best and look forward to celebrating the outcomes, alongside all their other achievements, later in the term.

### **Picture News**

This week the discussion is around the question ‘What makes us unique?’

### **Staffing plans for September 2022**

As you will no doubt be aware, Mrs Buckland has returned from her period of statutory maternity leave this term and is back teaching in The Ocean. Mrs Bell is also continuing to work alongside Mrs Buckland for two mornings each week to provide continuity of provision and extra support for this class which has been most disrupted by Covid.

In September, Miss Bartlett will begin her maternity leave. To ensure that this is handled as smoothly as possible, Mrs Buckland will then move into the Year 5/6 teaching role. She will be using this term in The Ocean to make sure that the new Year 5 group (currently Year 4) will be very well known to her so that they can hit the ground running. Mrs Bell will be returning full time in September to cover the maternity gap by taking Mrs Buckland’s place in The Ocean. She will know the new Year 4 cohort (currently Year 3) very well as she has already taught them for two terms as well as continuing to work with them this term. We are very aware of the staffing changes which have been unavoidably necessary over the last two years; they are keenly felt in a small school. However, we have done all we can to minimise the disruption – pandemic aside – and we hope that you join with us in celebrating the fact that some of our own wonderful teachers are embarking on the exciting journey of becoming parents themselves.

### **Value for this week**

Our Christian Value for this week is COURAGE

### **Jubilee Celebrations**

Planning for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration at school on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May, continues. Thank you to all who have already sent in their 1 pence and 2 pence coins, please continue to send those in. The plan is to use what we collect in a range of games and activities on the day, culminating in making a sculpture of the Queen's head out of the coins.

We will then count the coins and bank them to buy something special.

Thank you to all that responded to the Parent Mail form requesting your child's meal choice for the Jubilee picnic on May 25<sup>th</sup>. The form is now closed but if you would like your child to have a school lunch that day please email the school office asap.

Many thanks for your help.

### **Friends; Creating Fun and Social times whilst fundraising.**

We hope everyone is looking forward to the Jubilee celebrations and the extended bank holidays - let's hope the sun is shining! We only have 1 fundraising event at the moment, we are looking at a couple of social ideas in the coming weeks, one when the new playground in Great Rollright is finished at the end of May. If anyone has any fundraising or fun social ideas please get in touch.

#### **Chastleton House Café - Sunday 22nd May. WE NEED YOU!**

#### **This is our only date in this school year that requires volunteers and bakers!**

Our priority now is for volunteers, we have 2 people so far - thank you! We would ideally like 3-4 more people at least so perhaps you and a friend can come along. It's a fun afternoon especially if you don't mind washing up or making hot drinks.

If you can, please give your time for just 1 hour between 12.30pm to 5pm.  
We hope you can join us!

#### **Friends Jubilee Competition - Guess the name of the 'Queens Corgi'**

Well not the actual name of the Queens Corgi as that would be too easy. Look out for the competition coming soon!

#### **Bingo Friday 10th June**

Join in the fun at Great Rollright Village Hall. The hall opens at 7pm and 'Eyes down' is 7.30pm. We welcome all players from 4-90 years, It's a relaxed family event with cash prizes, plus snacks and a bar.

Duncan (Finlay and Louie's) dad runs the event for fun! Profit is split between the Village Hall, our School and a guest charity each month. If you have a cause that would benefit let us know.

#### **Autumn Fair and Scarecrow Trail - Saturday 10th September 2022**

Put the date in the diary as our community event comes back in the Autumn.

Would you or do you know a small business who would like a stall at this year's fair?

Our 'Grow the tallest Sunflower' competition will be back this year, seeds will be sent out shortly so you will have plenty of time to watch them grow!

Plus look out for the Flower and Produce entry form and be sure to enter a Scarecrow in the trail - even if you do not live in the village!