



Great Rollright C. E. Primary School

Weekly Newsletter



Friday December 16th 2022

The Golden Awards for this term are awarded

Meadow: Albert
Woodland: Pola
Ocean: Emily
Mountains: Audrey
Well done!

The House Cup was awarded to the Eagles and the Tidy Classroom Award to Ocean Class.
Congratulations!

A visit from Santa

Last Friday when the weather was icy cold and the sky was bright blue, The Meadow and The Woodland went to our Forest School site for a special Christmas story and some popcorn around the campfire. They were disturbed half way through by the sound of jingling bells and then who should appear but Santa himself – drawn by the smoke and the sounds of excited children! Santa spent time talking to the children and giving each one a small present for Christmas Day. He also brought two special bat boxes for the Forest School which were very gratefully received. It was a wonderful Christmas surprise for everyone and we are very grateful to Santa for stopping by during his busiest time of the year.

‘Lights, camel, action 2’

We had the enormous pleasure of watching ‘The Meadow and The Woodland’ perform their Christmas nativity this week. They were truly wonderful and spread Christmas cheer to everyone who was lucky enough to see it. We are very proud of all of the children who took part and also very proud of our talented grown-ups who made the magic happen with endless amounts of hard work, patience and enthusiasm. There are lots of pictures of the play and all of our other Christmas events on our school website for you to enjoy.

‘Christmas in Chippy’

Last Sunday we braved the weather and enjoyed an afternoon in the Town Hall. Kate D led the fun during the day and we would like to thank those who volunteered to make the event such a success: Kate W, Martha + Alex, Alisa + Marina and Mrs Hastings. A special thanks to Jenny S who baked a lot of gingerbread men for decorating on the day. We thank Holy Trinity School who invited us along and we raised £184.

ICT club – sharing the great work!

On Friday 9th December, Mrs Buckland and her ICT Club invited in friends and family to see the wonderful games they had been making in the club during the term. Lots of people came to play the games and a great time was had by all! A big thank you to Mrs Buckland for giving up her Friday afternoon slot to create computer magic with this club!

Family Christmas Bingo Friday 16th December from 7pm

Two thirds of profit raised from this evening will be donated to 'Pounds for Playground' Lets make it a big one and raise as much money as possible.

Monday 19th December

On Monday we have our Christmas lunch to look forward to and it is also Christmas jumper day. Your child is very welcome to come to school in a Christmas jumper to join in the fun. We will collect donations on the day to send to Save The Children for this nationwide event. Please give whatever you can.

Christmas Church Services

All are welcome to church services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day at St Andrew's, Great Rollright:

Christmas Eve Crib Service at 3pm, (children can come dressed as an angel, shepherd or king to make a tableau), and Christmas Day Holy Communion 10am. (A later Crib Service is at 5pm on Christmas Eve at St Peter's Hook Norton and if you wish for a short service (without Communion) on Christmas Day then come along to St Peter's, Hook Norton for a Celebration Service at 10am lasting no more than 40 mins.

Thank you for our sticks

Thank you to those kind souls who dropped off some sticks at the Forest School site for the children to build dens with. I am sure they will have tremendous fun with them next term.

Dates for Christmas

- Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day 19th December
- Ocean and Mountains Christmas service in St Andrew's Church 19th December 6.30pm
- Term finishes on Tuesday 20th December at 1.15pm.
- School re-opens Wednesday January 4th 2023.

New Menu

The new lunch menu will begin in our first full week back after the Christmas break, January 9th.

We will send out a copy via Parent Mail as soon as we receive it.

From January 4th-6th we will continue with the current menu.

After School Clubs

A Parent Mail form will be sent out this afternoon with club choices for next term.

Unfortunately, football club is not continuing as the number of participants has been falling over the last few terms.

There are new clubs to choose from including Netball for Mountains Class and Lego club is back, from Reception to Year 6.

Online safety

Please find attached a guide to setting up new apps, games and software.

The Friends wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, enjoy special time with family and friends. See you in the New Year!

Value for this term

Our Christian Value for this week is **COURAGE**.

Luxury Food and Drink Hampers

The wonderful donations from you created 8 luxury hampers plus 3 other prizes which were donated locally. The raffle draw took place on 15th December, winners were drawn by children on the bus journey to the theatre.

Winners have been contacted.

Luxury Hampers:

Ozzie Baker

Charlie Jones

Judy Midwood

Amy Spicer

Emma Weller

Mrs Bolam

M.Wilson

Sarah Edmondson

Fudge Hamper - Jill

Prosecco and Handmade Wreath: Bryony Hex

Gin Hamper - Ruth Baker

Save the Date - Saturday 4th February. Comedy night.

Save the date or buy your ticket to see Award winning comedian Pat Monahan. Tickets are limited, email The Friends!

THE FRIENDS OF
GREAT ROLLRIGHT



COMEDY NIGHT @ GREAT ROLLRIGHT VILLAGE HALL

SATURDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2023



STAND UP COMEDIAN - PAT MONAHAN

Audience favourite Patrick Monahan blends a high energy comedy style with hilarious and engaging topical and observational material. Known for working a room, Patrick is adored by his audiences with whom he makes an effortless connection!

He won the television competition series, Take the Mike, in 2001, and Show Me the Funny in 2011. He has performed regularly at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe. Patrick is also a regular MC and headlining act at the top London and UK comedy clubs and in addition to this he is in huge demand on the corporate circuit as an after-dinner speaker and awards host.

'A star-in-the-making'
Daily Telegraph

'Bright young talent... high energy and conviction, his material is great; he's going to go far'.
Sunday Times

DOORS OPEN 7PM - SHOW STARTS AT 8PM - CASH BAR
£15 PER PERSON - EMAIL: GREATROLLRIGHTFRIENDS@GMAIL.COM
ALL MONEY RAISED GOES TO GREAT ROLLRIGHT SCHOOL

Thank you and Merry Christmas!

At this time of year our thoughts always turn to the people who we want to acknowledge and thank for their support and service to the school. It is a huge list!

I would like to begin with the team of adults who work here and say that we are the luckiest school in the world; our professional and dedicated staff give their best to the children every day and it is only because of these people that we have the wonderful school that we do - I certainly couldn't achieve any of our vision without each and every one of them.

I would also like to extend the same thank you to the governors who work, as volunteers, behind the scenes to support and strengthen the school with their wisdom and commitment.

Onto 'The Friends' - 'The Friends of Rollright' are a tiny team of people who have worked tirelessly throughout the year, organising a wide variety of successful fundraising events. Their funds have supported trips and resources which every child in the school has seen the benefit of and which we wouldn't be able to have without their work. We all owe them a huge thank you.

Finally I would like to thank you as parents and carers who have chosen our school and given us the very important job of educating your children. We take the responsibility very seriously. Our school is a thriving, busy place full of wonderful children – they are the reason that all of the above exists. By working in partnership, and knowing that you support the work we do, even through the trickier moments, makes the job so much easier and the outcomes so much better.

I would like to finish by saying thank you for all of your Christmas gifts and good wishes. From all of the team, we wish you a wonderful Christmas and we look forward to starting back in 2023 – shining even more brightly and finding ever more ways to learn and thrive together.