

WEEK 12

This week has been really busy with lots of enrichment activities taking place. Y2 went on a trip to Holy Trinity church to learn more about places of worship. Reception pupils enjoyed another Forest school session today at TPRA and a group of Y3/4 pupils entered an archery competition against other local schools hosted at Flitch Green– thanks to Miss Whates, Mrs Burles and Ms Mann for organising these.

Y3 parents and family members also had the opportunity of having a lovely roast dinner and sharing a book in our library with the Y3 children on Wednesday. Thank you for coming and for your feedback. On Thursday evening we ran our first prospective parent event for Reception 19 admission. Thank you to the Friends members who helped provide the refreshments– Mrs Vinyard and Miss Pound. Next week we will be offering the day time tours.

Thank you everyone for your generous donations to help the Friends make up the Christmas raffle prizes. The children looked very festive today!

BUILDING UPDATE

SOIL BEING REMOVED– QUITE A FEAT! PLASTERING & ELECTRICS GOING IN. WINDOWS AND DOORS FITTED.



IMPORTANT DATES

- 3 DEC RECEPTION '19 TOUR @ 1.30PM**
- 5 DEC MINI ARCHERY WORKSHOP KS1/2**
- 5 DEC Y4/5 PARENT LUNCH @ 12**
- 5 DEC RECEPTION '19 TOUR @ 1.30PM**
- 6 DEC CHEERLEADING COMPETITION AM Y1/3**
- 7 DEC RECEPTION '19 TOUR @ 9.30AM**
- 12 DEC RECEPTION CHRISTMAS SING ALONG 9.30AM**
- 13 DEC KS1 CHRISTMAS PLAY 2.15PM**
- 14 DEC KS2 CONCERT 2.15PM**
- 19 DEC CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY**
- 20 DEC LAST DAY OF TERM**
- 7 JAN INSET DAY– CLOSED TO PUPILS**
- 8 JAN PUPILS RETURN 8.45AM**
- 8 FEB MUSIC WORKSHOP**
- 14 FEB BREAK UP– LAST DAY**
- 15 FEB INSET DAY– CLOSED TO PUPILS**
- HALF TERM 18-22 FEBRUARY**

PARENT LUNCHES

Thank you to the parents and family members of Y3 who joined their children for lunch this week.



Next Wednesday, 5th December we welcome Y4/5 parents. Please arrive by 12.00. We would also welcome feedback about the new school menu and caterers once you have attended either verbally, by email or by completing one of the 'general comment' slips available at the main office.

Celebration of Achievement

Assembly

Well done to the following children for their efforts and achievement with learning this week...

- Y1: Lucy**
- Y2: Ridley**
- Y3: Teddy**
- Y4/5: Alfie**
- Keep it up!**

Prospective Parent Tours for Reception Entry September 2019

Day time tours: 3rd and 5th December at 1.30pm and 7th December at 9.30am

Places must be booked for the daytime tours as places are limited. Please note that we are not able to accommodate prams inside the building but baby carry seats are fine. Parking is available on the residential road (Roseacres), please respect our residents and park responsibly to allow them free access to their drives/ homes.

FRIENDS/PTA

Friends welcome new members as well as suggestions or the offer of talents/ business.

Contact email
friends@roseacres.essex.sch.uk

XMAS TEA TOWEL ON SALE NOW £4!

ROSEACRES TERM DATES 2019/20

The term dates and inset days for next year are on the website.

DINNER MENU

NEW MENU: next week: **WEEK 3** See website/ notice board.

Polite Reminders

Safety:

Pedestrians:

Please always **use the path** when entering or leaving the site and not exit via the car park on foot.

Drivers:

Please park safely and responsibly on the road without obstructing the driveways or access to local residents' properties/garages. Please park further down the road from the school and avoid, stopping, turning or reversing in front of the school. This is a very busy place for children and adults crossing. Very young children often run or scoot ahead of their parents and we would like to avoid a nasty accident occurring.

Attendance/sickness absence:

If your child is off school, please ring on the first day of absence **BEFORE 9.15am**. If we have not heard from you we will activate our 'First Day Call' procedure. If your child should get sickness and/or diarrhoea then they should be clear for **48 hours** from the last episode, before returning to school.

Punctuality/ drop off & collection: The gates and class doors open at **8.45am** each day (15 mins early) to ease congestion. The gates are **locked** at **9am**. We would kindly ask you to be prompt. Latecomers must enter via the main office and provide a valid reason for late arrival (which is a legal duty placed upon schools). At drop off time: KS2 children should say goodbye to their parents in the main playground; please only go around to the class door if you have a message for the teacher. KS1 parents may drop off and collect at the class door (please keep the entrance way clear). Reception parents may come into the class to help settle their child/ make a lunch choice but please leave the site by 9am so that we can secure the site and begin the day's learning. Many thanks for your cooperation.

Dental/eye appointments

General check ups. These should be booked for outside the school day or during school holidays.

Medical/hospital appointments:

If this occurs during the school day, please let us know in advance and provide us with the letter/ appointment card so that we may copy it for the records. On the day, come to the main office to sign your child out.

Contact details: If you or your other named contacts update your phone number or move, please remember to inform the office **as soon as possible**. Thank you.

Class Information

This year the classes have been given class names with the theme of composers:

Year group	Teacher	Class Name	Topic	PE Day/s
Reception:	Miss Mann	Elgar	LIGHT, COLOUR,	Wednesday
	Miss MacKinnon	Beethoven	SHAPE AND PATTERN	Wednesday
Year 1	Miss Cook	Vivaldi	Amazing Animals	Tuesday & Friday
Year 2	Mrs Watson	Holst	CHINA	Monday & Thursday
Year 3	Miss Whates	Mozart	Egyptians	Monday & Friday
Year 4/5	Miss Bruce	Britten	KENSUKIE'S KINGDOM	Wednesday & Thursday

LEARNING NEWS:



ARE booklets and curriculum leaflets for all year groups are now on the class pages of the website . This term there are new curriculum leaflets for Reception, Y2 and Y4/5.



Reception: Elgar & Beethoven: In Reception this week the children have been artists. They have explored the famous artwork of Kandinsky by looking carefully, talking and interpreting some of his abstract paintings. Some of the children suggested he had painted unicorns or sinking ships. After that the children began to create their own masterpieces. On Wednesday the children made the most of the miserable weather, taking colour mixing outside in the rain. They had fun making the puddles colourful and exploring the changes.

Year 1: This week Y1 have been looking at numbers to 20 using pictorial, abstract and concrete apparatus to represent the 'teen' number; breaking this down to understand that, e.g. 14 has one ten and 4 ones. More information and pictures can be found on the class blog.



Year 2: This week the children in year 2 visited Holy Trinity Church. They learnt about the church and, in particular, about advent which is about to start. Ridley impressed all of the children with his rendition of Silent Night on the church organ. Wow! Everyone hopes to hear more from Ridley in the future. In science the children have also been testing materials to see how different forces affect them, making careful observations and recording the results on a table.



Year 3: Mozart class have continued to do kind things for their 'surprise buddy' this week. In English, they were introduced to a new video. After watching part of this video, the class had a debate on what they thought the main character should do next. The class debated in teams and then created a conscience alley. In History, Mozart class were introduced to Ancient Egyptian Gods and Goddesses.



They compared these Gods and used hot seating to further their understanding.

Year 4/5: This week the class have tackled poetry; it's not as easy as you think! The children started off by looking at imagery and their faces began to sink! However, they persevered and put their minds to the task and began by breaking each sentence down before creating their own versions. Now the poems that the class have created have rid them of their frowns!

Curriculum Enrichment

Thursday: Y2 swimming (weekly)

Autumn 2: Afterschool Clubs: Note the last week of staff clubs is w/c 3.12.18

Monday: Multi-sports: lunchtime- (free) all pupils; Afterschool (field/hall) / IT Club (Y1 class) 3.15-4.15

Tuesday: lunchtime sports (Miss Whates) KS2 (free) / PM- Magical Maths KS2 (Practical room) 3.15-4.15

Wednesday: lunchtime choir (free- Miss Bruce) Yr1-5/ PM- Golf (field/hall) / Construction (Y2 class) 3.15-4.15

Thursday: Afterschool Karate 3.15-4.15 and Cookery (Practical room) 3.15-4.30pm (please note later finish time for cookery)

OUT OF HOURS SCHOOL CLUB FOR ROSEACRES PUPILS:

PLACES AVAILABLE for pupils who attend Roseacres school for full time/part time/ ad-hoc child care.

learningtoflychildcareservices@mail.com website: <https://leighparnell.wixsite.com/learningtofly>. **Please be aware that this is a privately owned and run club and operates independently of Roseacres Primary School. It is registered with Ofsted, meeting their requirements for this facility. Whilst we are able to signpost childcare and other provision in our office foyer, parents are advised to assure themselves of the suitability of any external provider.**