

## WEEK 9



This week the children in KS1 and KS2 had a special assembly to learn about the Centenary of the ending of the First World War– The Great War. The children learnt about the poppy and how it came to be the symbol of Remembrance. Thank you so much to all the children and families who so generously supported this worthy cause by donating money to purchase the poppies and other commemorative items. Mrs Burles also kindly brought in treasured family items from the First World War to share with the children.

Children's challenge– to look at children's BBC or other suitable TV channel to watch a special parade or event to commemorate the 100 year anniversary of Armistice.



## BUILDING UPDATE

Roof is on! Underfloor heating going in! Windows next!



## PARENT LUNCHES

It was lovely to see so many Y1 parents join us this Wednesday for a roast dinner. We look forward to welcoming Y2 parents on Wednesday 14th November. 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.



## NEXT WEEK

**Next week is National Anti-Bullying week.** At Roseacres we will be calling this Friendship week and the extra activities that we plan will link in very nicely with our PHSE curriculum and existing code of conduct. This year children in KS1 and KS2 have already been introduced to Kelso's choices by Miss Whates through assemblies and drama activities. The children are getting better at using the strategies shared. Children's challenge next week (and to maintain) is to spread a bit of kindness by doing a kind act each day. Ask your child to explain Kelso's choices and ask them what the school code is– they ought to be able to tell you at the very least one of them– 'kind hands, kind feet, kind words'

## CHILDREN IN NEED

As you are aware we will be supporting Children in Need again on Friday 16th November. For a suggested donation of £1, the children may come dressed as a character from the movies. Children in KS1 and KS2 are also invited to a dance off competition (50p entry) with a prize and certificate being presented to a winner in each key stage. Movie n Munch film night is £2,50 and MUST be booked in advance by Wednesday 14th November via ParentMail form and named envelope of correct money handed into the main office.

## Prospective Parent Tours for Reception Entry 2019

Unbelievably we are approaching that time of year again. Next half term we will offer tours to parents/ carers interested in a place at Roseacres school for the Reception class September 2019

**Main event Thursday 29th November 6.30-7.30pm**

**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.*

## IMPORTANT DATES

- 14 NOV Y2 PARENT LUNCH
- 16 NOV CHILDREN IN NEED EVENTS
- 21 NOV TPRA LUNCH WITH RECEPTION
- 28 NOV Y3 PARENT LUNCH
- 29 NOV SEPT 19 ADMISSION 6.60-7.30PM
- 3 DEC RECEPTION '19 TOUR @ 1.30PM
- 5 DEC Y4/5 PARENT LUNCH
- 5 DEC RECEPTION '19 TOUR @ 1.30PM
- 7 DEC RECEPTION '19 TOUR @ 9.30AM
- 12 DEC RECEPTION NATIVITY AM\*
- 13 DEC KS1 CHRISTMAS PLAY PM\*
- 14 DEC KS2 CONCERT PM\*
- 19 DEC CHRISTMAS DINNER
- 20 DEC LAST DAY OF TERM
- 7 JAN INSET DAY– CLOSED TO PUPILS
- 8 JAN PUPILS RETURN
- \* more info to follow

## Celebration of Achievement

### Assembly

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

Y1: Mateusz

Y2: Harry

Y3: Archie

Y4/5: Dillan

Keep it up!

## FRIENDS/PTA

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

Contact email

[friends@roseacres.essex.sch.uk](mailto:friends@roseacres.essex.sch.uk)

**XMAS TEA TOWEL ON SALE NOW £4!**

### 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 & Pattern	Wednesday
Year 1	Miss Cook	Vivaldi	Amazing Animals	Tuesday & Friday
Year 2	Mrs Watson	Holst	Nurturing Nurses	Monday & Thursday
Year 3	Miss Whates	Mozart	Egyptians	Monday & Friday
Year 4/5	Miss Bruce	Britten	Greeks	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 and Y4/5.**

**Reception: Elgar & Beethoven:** This week Reception have been learning all about Diwali. The children have manipulated clay to make their own diya lamps, then they used tools to create patterns and added paint to decorate them. In maths the children have been sorting and classifying different objects and comparing the size of the groups. Today they all enjoyed the outdoor learning at Forest School.

**Year 1:** This week Year 1 have been looking at subtraction and how this can be represented in different ways. The children started the week off by using concrete apparatus to represent different subtraction calculations, physically taking away the amount. They then moved on to looking at subtraction stories (word problems) and how to write these as a calculation. After securing the 'stem sentences' the children looked at variation and representing the subtraction stories in multiple ways. Finally they applied their learning by answering subtraction word problems. Well done everyone!

**Year 2:** This week the children have continued to look at recipes identifying the main features of instructions in order to invent their own recipe. In maths the children have looked at how to calculate *difference* in a range of different formats and are now adding and subtracting one from any 2 digit number. In computing, the children have also learnt how to program turtles to perform two actions.

**Year 3:** In Science this week, Mozart class learnt about friction. They tested the distance that toy cars would travel on different surfaces. After the experiment, the children realised that each group had different results so they discussed the factors (variables) that may have caused this. Following this, in ICT, the class recorded their results in a bar chart using the iPads and laptops. In English, the class learnt about instructions; one of the tasks was to perform a set of instructions about how to catch a dragon. In Maths, the children were learning how to find the nearest 10 and 100 in order to round numbers; next week they will use and apply this skill to estimate answers.

**Year 4/5:** This week the class have started a wonderful new book, Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo. The literacy work has been based around this book exploring expectations and predictions. The children have also looked closely at the characters and how to portray them in a drama lesson. The class look forward to next week as they have finished on quite a cliff-hanger! In art the children learnt about Japanese script and had a go at writing their name using Japanese characters.



### Curriculum Enrichment

Monday: 1:1 Music Lesson: Guitar (weekly); Thursday: Y2 swimming (weekly)

#### Autumn 2: Afterschool Clubs: w/c 5th November

**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) / Magical Maths KS2 (Practical room) 3.15-4.15

**Wednesday:** lunchtime choir (Miss Bruce) Yr1-5 (free) & 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)

Please note that due to insufficient numbers Street Dance club on a Tuesday night has been cancelled this term.

### 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://leigharnell.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 provision.