

WEEK 14

CHRISTMAS CONCERTS



Thank you to our amazing children and staff for their super efforts with their Christmas concerts and plays this week. So much hard work and effort has gone into learning the

songs, lines and actions, especially Y1 and Y2, who sustained an hour long performance! Well done to everyone, we are really proud of you! We hope that you all enjoyed the experience and hope that you have some magical moments to reflect on. Thank you to our Friends and parents who helped to provide and serve the refreshments, and to everyone who helped stack away the chairs at the end! A great team effort thank you.



Thank you to our Friends association for organising the Christmas raffle this year and to you all for supporting us. There were so many prizes! The draw was held at the end of the KS2 concert, so the remaining prize winners will be contacted by a member of Friends. Please come to the main office to collect your prize.



BUILDING UPDATE



FINAL WEEK OF TERM: Next week w/c 17th December!

Monday 17th December: (AM) Reception Christmas sing along at Takeley Park

Wednesday 19th December: Christmas Lunch and special visitor!!

Thursday 20th December: LAST DAY– GATES OPEN 3PM

IMPORTANT DATES

19 DEC CHRISTMAS LUNCH DAY

20 DEC LAST DAY OF TERM 3PM GATES OPEN

7 JAN INSET DAY– CLOSED TO PUPILS

8 JAN PUPILS RETURN 8.45AM

10 JAN SWIMMING STARTS Y4/5 (WEEKLY)

10 JAN KARATE CLUB STARTS

14 JAN GUITAR LESSONS RECOMMENCE

14 JAN SCHOOL CLUBS START

15 JAN RECEPTION ADMISSIONS FOR 2019 CLOSE

8 FEB MUSIC WORKSHOP

14 FEB BREAK UP– LAST DAY

15 FEB INSET DAY– CLOSED TO PUPILS

HALF TERM 18-22 FEBRUARY

25 FEB PUPILS RETURN 8.45AM

Celebration of Achievement

Assembly

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

Y1: Mie

Y2: Trent

Y3: Jasmin

Y4/5: David

Keep it up!

INCLEMENT WEATHER: NOTIFICATION OF UNEXPECTED SCHOOL CLOSURE

Just in case the weather takes a turn for the worst in December or January the system for notifying parents is through our ParentMail system. We recognise that bad weather causes considerable disruption and endeavour to keep the school open as much as possible and where it is safe to do so. A decision to shut the school is never taken lightly and many factors contribute to making that decision. Myself and the site management team are in contact very early in the morning in order to assess the site. Should the decision be made to close the school, you will be notified by 7.30am at the latest but in reality it is often earlier than this. The website will also be updated.

Please do NOT ring the school. If we open in bad weather we understand that it will take families longer to get to school so allowance is made for this and registers remain open longer. If we need to amend the timings of the school day, e.g. due to weather/police advice, then we will communicate this with you at the time and in advance.

ROSEACRES TERM DATES 2019/20

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

FRIENDS/PTA

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

Contact email

friends@roseacres.essex.sch.uk

XMAS RAFFLE—THANK YOU FOR

SUPPORTING US!

XMAS TEA TOWEL ON SALE £4!

DINNER MENU

NEW MENU: next week: **WEEK 2** 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: It must be nearly Christmas! This week in Reception the children have been so busy; performing our Christmas sing a-long and making mince pies. On Thursday they had a decoration day where everyone enjoyed making lots of decorations including; a Father Christmas paper plates, angels, reindeer, stockings and many more. In Reception, whilst very tired- the children are truly all in the Christmas spirit!



Thank you for coming to the Reception concert and hope that you left with a warm glow in your heart! Congratulations to Amelie and Frankie who have received the Orange certificate for completing the Phase 2 high frequency words.

Year 1: This week Y1 have been consolidating their learning on addition and subtraction in the child led learning tasks. In the creative tasks they have been using and applying the techniques learnt this term through studying different artists to their Christmas cards. We hope you love them!

Year 2: This week in Year 2 we have started to write an information book about China. We have also had a great time performing our Christmas concert. The children really worked hard on their concert and sang beautifully. Despite a few nerves they performed well and hopefully everybody enjoyed the performance.

Year 3: Mozart class have had an active week this week. In science, they created their own magnetic games using the force of attraction. These ranged from creating fishing games, racing games or mazes. In history, the class mummified a tomato! They washed it before pulling out it's brains and organs (aka the seeds). It is now covered in our version of natron in order to dry out and the class will look at what happens to it after Christmas. Mozart also had their last ukulele lesson this week and have done absolutely brilliantly learning the songs, including Silent Night (which some of you will have seen in the concert). Y3 were very lucky to have a professional musician come and teach them how to play this instrument; the class learnt a lot and enjoyed it.

Well done!



Year 4/5: This week has been super busy with craft activities, learning, and of course rehearsals for the BIG day! We hope you enjoyed the KS2 concert this afternoon. The children were amazing and did us all proud!

Clubs: All clubs have now finished for this term. Spring list out. We aim to confirm places by Thursday next week.

Guitar lesson: Guitar 1:1 lessons- have finished for this term; recommence Monday 14th January. Please ensure that you make the advance payment via ParentMail when prompted to do so.

Curriculum Enrichment (up to and including the last day of term)

Monday: sports coach Y2 & Y3; Dance Tues/ Thurs Y1 & Y4/5; Thursday: Y2 swimming (weekly).

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.