



"Room to Grow"

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The News

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DIARY

Wednesday 24th January Parent
Voice meeting 8.30am

Friday 26th January
PTA Meeting 8.30am

Year 1 Class Worship 2.15pm

Tuesday 30th January
Year 2 Open Classroom to sew
puppets 1pm-2.45pm

Year 1 Open Classroom 1.30-
2.30pm

Thursday 1st February
Reception Open Classroom 8.30-
9.30am

Year 3 Open Classroom 2.15pm-
2.45pm

Maths Challenge 10.30am-
12.30pm at Ryde School 4x Y4
pupils

Maths Challenge 1.45-3.45pm at
Ryde School 4x Y5 pupils

Letters Sent Home this Week:

Isle Rock— to Isle Rock Club

Cross Country Championship—
selected KS2 children

Cross Country after school club
permission— to club only

Maths Challenge— selected Year
4 and 5 children

**All letters are now available on
the newsletter page of the
website.**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Can I start by saying a big thank you for your consideration and support with the parking on Tuesday. Everybody managed to park okay and all the children were delivered safely to their parents.

Can I please ask that if your child is in KS1 they bring a pair of wellington boots into school as this will allow them to use the field even when it is wet.

This term we are having a big focus on presentation of work and pride in the work we produce in our school books. All of the classes have had a discussion and produced a model of what good presentation of work in books looks like. There are examples up in every classroom now. To encourage and celebrate this we will be having a presentation award each week for each class. The children's work will be displayed in school as examples to others.

You will notice that events that have happened in school, such as Class Workshops, will not have their normal write up in the newsletter. This is because we are planning to produce an 'Arreton News' on the last day of this half term. Each class will have their own page where they report what has been happening in their class during the half term. Following the publication any feedback will be very welcome.

The whole school will be starting the Golden Mile on Monday. We have measured the school field and children will have an opportunity to complete laps of the field each day during school time. The number of laps will be recorded and converted into miles. Certificates will be awarded at certain milestones. This is part of the schools initiative to keep the children active and increase well-being. The Friday after school Golden Mile walk will return as soon as the weather improves.

This week some children have been bringing slime, putty and goo into school. Can we ask that this is left at home as some makes contain latex and one of our children has a latex allergy. Thank you for your support with this.

Our school Library is looking better than ever. Members of the PTA have been busy scanning in all the new books and adding them to the shelves. We are very grateful for all the time and effort that has been put in. I would also like to thank Hettie for making us some super wooden boxes to store the returned books and ones that need some TLC (see picture on reverse). We are in the process of organising an official opening of the Library so watch this space.

As always thank you for your continued support and co-operation.

Have a good weekend

Yours sincerely

Mrs Maria Herbert

Worship

This week our Worship theme has been 'perseverance'. This is one of our school values and is a quality we are fostering in all our children as a positive attitude to learning.

We have been reflecting on The Parable of the Lost Sheep, Luke 15 V4-7, which tells the story of a shepherd who did not give up on a lost sheep but kept looking until it was found.

Year 5 led a Church Worship based on the theme and provided us with some inspirational examples of perseverance. Charles H Spurgeon reflected that "By perseverance the snail reached the ark".

A consistent message throughout our school is 'to keep trying, don't give up, ask for help if you need it and you will get there in the end'.



The fantastic boxes
Hettie made for our
library!



Raising awareness of sexual abuse of children (NSPCC)

TV Advert

As you may be aware the NSPCC have been broadcasting a TV advert to raise awareness of how parents can help their younger children keep safe from child sexual abuse. If you've missed it, you can watch it here: <https://youtu.be/nMIKUsZjirA>

Parents' Pack for PANTS message

The TV advert directs parents to the PANTS campaign, used in schools for many years. There is now a pack for parents to use, to encourage them to have a conversation that many might feel uncomfortable about having. Information is also available in Welsh and for children with a hearing impairment. The link to the parents' PANTS pack is here: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/underwear-rule>

Pantosaurus App for iOS and Android

The NSPCC have also teamed up with award-winning animators, Aardman to create a free app, for both android and iOS, featuring the Pantosaurus characters. There are four mini games where players test their skills against Pantosaurus. The app is great fun to use, although I'm rubbish at mobile games and struggled with the basketball game! Get the app by going to the relevant App Store below:

Find on Google Play: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=uk.org.nspcc.pantosaurus>

Find on the Apple App Store: <https://itunes.apple.com/gb/app/playtime-with-pantosaurus/id1258635349?mt=8>

Lost Property

Please check the lost property box in school as it is full of unnamed and unclaimed uniform and coats. Any items that are unclaimed by next Friday will be donated to the uniform sale and Recycle with Michael.

Football Key Stage 2

Children in Key Stage 2 can bring in old trainers to wear at lunch time to play football on the field.

Library Monitors

Congratulations to Ella-Rita, Tahya, Erin and Mia from Year 6 and John, Charlie, Hettie and Poppy from Year 5 who have been chosen to be our Library monitors.

Awards of the Week

Our school values are **perseverance**, **honesty** and **friendship**. Every week we celebrate a child from each class who has gone the extra mile to show one of our values. The work of the week award goes to a child from each class that has produced an exceptional piece of work. The presentation award goes to a child in each class that has presented their work fantastically. Please come into the school foyer to view the star pieces of work on display.

Gruffalo

Work: Leon for brilliant name writing and letter formation.

Value: Freddie for making new friends and being a lovely addition to Gruffalo Class.

Paddington

Work: Riley C for writing a super story independently about a personal experience relating to their class story.

Value: Elizabeth for helping a friend.

Presentation: Indi.

Elmer

Work: Lily for writing amazing sentences independently.

Value: Daisy for really persevering in her maths when trying to learn to add and subtract mentally.

Presentation: Rhianna for her writing in comprehension.

Aslan

Work: Florence for her work on addition and subtraction to 2 digit numbers in maths.

Value: Fraser for his perseverance when writing a letter as Mr Tumnus.

Presentation: Dylan.

Gandalf

Work: Harry for great column subtraction and improved presentation.

Value: Alex for honesty.

Presentation: Thomas S.

Potter

Work: Indie for facts she researched about rich and poor Victorians.

Value: The whole class for their class perseverance Worship at the Church.

Presentation: Freddie.

Hylas

Work: Maya for fantastic effort and persevering with sequences in maths.

Value: Alfie for friendship, for helping peers during a maths lesson.

Presentation: Khai for great effort and care with his maths poster.

Tea, Cake & Tombola

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foodbank
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Saturday 3rd Feb
10am - 1pm

Monthly Clothing Sale

@ Foodbank HQ, Love Lane, Cowes, PO31 7ET
www.isleofwight.foodbank.org.uk

Join us for a
storytime
session in **SPANISH**
at Newport Library

HOLA!

Come listen to some stories in Spanish and get involved in some tale-themed crafts!

3rd February - 10.30am

No need to book your place - just turn up and have fun!

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Children under 8 years must be accompanied by a responsible adult