



# RECREATION ROAD INFANT SCHOOL

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Creative, Caring, Collaborative, Resilient, Reflective, Problem-Solver

## January 2023 Newsletter

Dear Families,

Welcome back and Happy New Year. I hope you had a fun and relaxing Christmas. We are looking forward to a new term with lots going on.

Miss Mattock

### Staffing Announcements

Mr Jarvis has decided to move on to new adventures, to develop his skills beyond teaching. An advert has been placed on Education Jobfinder for a Year 2 teacher. Mr Jarvis has not yet set his leaving date, as this will depend on the new appointment. Please do not share this with children yet as we do not wish to cause them uncertainty. Once a new teacher is recruited, we will be able to ensure a smooth transition. The closing date for applications is 13<sup>th</sup> January.

An advert has also been posted on Education Jobfinder for a Midday Supervisory Assistant. The closing date is 9am on 23<sup>rd</sup> January.

### Safeguarding Message from the Norfolk Constabulary

Norfolk Constabulary's Children and Young People Team will be offering 2 webinars about online safety over Teams on Safer Internet Day, 7th February 2023. The webinars are suitable for parents and carers of children of all ages and will raise awareness of a range of issues and risks that young people face online.

We will have speakers from the following Constabulary departments:

- 1 – The Safer Schools Team – Will talk about their experience in schools and the problems that arise regarding young people and their internet use.
- 2 – Prevent (Counter Terrorism) – Will offer advice and information about extremism and radicalisation in order to prevent children and young people being drawn into this online.
- 3 – SCOLT (Safeguarding Children Online Team) – Will talk about current trends regarding online grooming and child sexual exploitation (CSE).
- 4 – Cyber Security – Will be discussing cyber-crime and offering advice about how parents and young people can keep their personal information safe online.

Please click on the session you would like to attend within the flyer (attached to this email). You will then be redirected to Eventbrite where you can reserve your spot.

Please contact [youthengagementevents@norfolk.police.uk](mailto:youthengagementevents@norfolk.police.uk) if you have any queries.



### Reminders and Thanks

- Thank you for sending in warm clothes and wellies to enable the children to enjoy the outdoor area.
- Thank you to all that attended the Wellbeing Curriculum meetings. Mrs Manrique very much appreciated your feedback.



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### Special thanks to:

Lorna (Sunflower Club) and The Paul Bassham Charitable Trust. Lorna has secured a £5000 donation towards the Climate Classroom, this has been awarded in association with Howes Percival.

### Parent View Feedback

Thank you for completing your parent view questionnaire. Main points raised included:

Stronger communication on children's learning in school.

Streamlined communication of information, particularly emails.

Provision of more enrichment clubs.

There was mixed opinion on parents evening being online or face-to-face.



In response, I am considering ways in which information can be better shared to ensure that important information and pupil progress is not missed. I am also looking into potential external club providers. As you will appreciate, I want to ensure the best services for our children so please bear with me while I research all of our options around information sharing systems and club providers. We will be using the school Facebook more with immediate effect, so please follow us if you do not do so already.

### Diary Dates

WB 23<sup>rd</sup> January - Reception weight, vision and height checks.

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> February and 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Emotional Intelligence sessions with Mollie

Potter – see Ms Manrique if you would like more details.

13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> February – Half term (school closed)



### Learner Values spotlight on... Creative

A key learner value in the spring term is Creative. We will be imagining, exploring and experimenting, developing ideas by trying new things, asking questions and making links. Our Learner Value, Champion (a person or organisation who models the value) are as follows:

#### Creative Learner Values Champions 2022/23



Reception -  
Rosie Revere



Year 1 – Andy  
Goldsworthy (Artist)



Year 2 – Grandma  
Moses (Artist)

Hear the story of Rosie Revere Engineer - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=31eBdgnPsCo>

Find out about the artist Andy Goldsworthy - [https://kids.kiddle.co/Andy\\_Goldsworthy](https://kids.kiddle.co/Andy_Goldsworthy)

Find out about the artist Grandma Moses - [https://kids.kiddle.co/Grandma\\_Moses](https://kids.kiddle.co/Grandma_Moses)