



Ryton-on-Dunsmore Provost Williams

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Newsletter 12th January 2024

"Let your light shine"

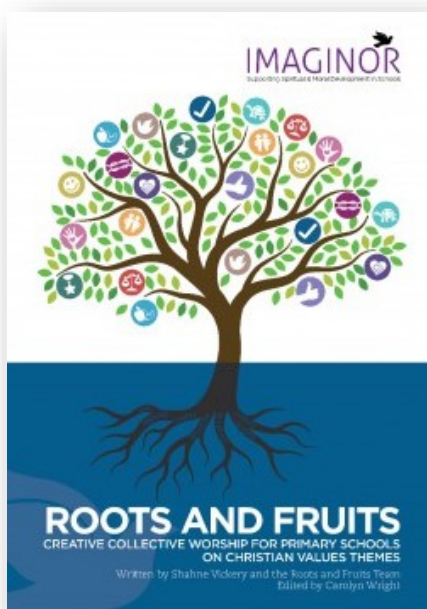
Welcome back to all of our families to the Spring term. It is going to be a short half term, but in school it is always the best, as the learning that the children have achieved in the Autumn term is built upon and we see them start to really flourish and let their light shine.

This term you will be receiving a short report detailing what progress the children have made towards the end of year expectation for their year group. This term we also have a parent and teacher consultations (Spring 2) where you will have another opportunity to discuss your child's progress. If in between this time you have any concerns about your child's progress, then please contact the office (school.parents@rytonondunsmore.covmat.org) and arrange to speak to their class teacher.

We kicked started the term with a staff INSET day. The focus was on resetting expectations which is part of our whole school 'The Way We Do It Here' Handbook. This includes expectations around behaviour for learning, planning and support in school. Staff were able to spend some time exploring and developing their understanding of Communication in Print which is a software package which uses images and words to help children build their understanding. It has been great to already see this being used in classes.

I also had the privilege of sharing with a number of Governors the journey that the school has been on since September and take a moment to reflect on the hard work and dedication of the all the staff at Ryton. They spoke to a number of pupils about their learning with a focus on History and Geography and I shared some of the monitoring that has already taken place this term and the next steps in our curriculum development.

Mrs Lampe Cullen, Head of School



In our Collective Worship time this half term we will be exploring "Courage".

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous.

Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged,

for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9





EARLY HELP/SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITY SUPPORT MEETING

**Friday 26th January
2.45-3.15pm**

There are times in family life when things might be difficult. Ryton-on-Dunsmore Provoost Williams Academy invite all parents to attend an Early Help/SEND support meeting.

The session will be hosted by:-

Sherrise Lampe Cullen (Head of School)

Davina Lambeth (SENDCo)

**Rachel Hands (Parent and Governor with a special interest
in Special Needs)**

The sessions aim to give support and advice on any parenting challenges, or signpost parents to other sources of help.



Diary Dates

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| 17th January | Parent wellbeing workshop 2.45pm to 3.15pm |
| 26th January | Early help/SEN Parent Support Meeting 2.45pm |
| 5th February | Mental Health Week |
| 5th February | Year 2 Come and Learn 2.45pm to 3.15pm |
| 6th February | E-Safety Day |
| | Safety Workshop for Parents 2.45pm to 3.15pm |
| 9th February | Break up for half term |
| 19th February | Teacher Training Day, school closed to children |
| 21st February | Reception Vision Screening |
| 8th March | Mother's Day event |
| 11th March | Science Week starts |
| 18th March | Year 1 Come and Learn 2.45-3.15pm |
| 19th and 20th March | Parent Consultation meetings 3.30-6pm |
| 22nd March | Break up for Easter |
| 2nd May | Teacher training day, school closed to children |
| 3rd June | Teacher training day, school closed to children |

Census Day, Thursday 18th January 2023

Thursday is our Census Day where we are required to report the number of children who take up the option of a free meal. On this day, we will be giving all children eligible for Universal Infant Free School Meals the opportunity to try a hot meal. So if your child usually has a packed lunch, they can still have that as a back-up.



On Friday the children and staff said farewell to Mrs Owen, who is retiring from her position as a cleaner at school for over 8 years.

The cleaning staff work very hard to ensure the children have a clean, tidy and comfortable environment to learn in and we are very grateful for all they do.

Good luck to Mrs Owen, we wish her a long and happy retirement.

Ryton-on-Dunsmore Academy Stars



EYFS Star Learner this week is

Ollie

Year 1 Star Learner this week is

William



Year 2 Star Learner this week is

Year 3 Star Learner this week is

Chloe

Betsy

Year 4 Star Learner this week is

Sienna



Year 5 Star Learner this week is

Frankie

Year 6 Star Learner this week is

Jacob T



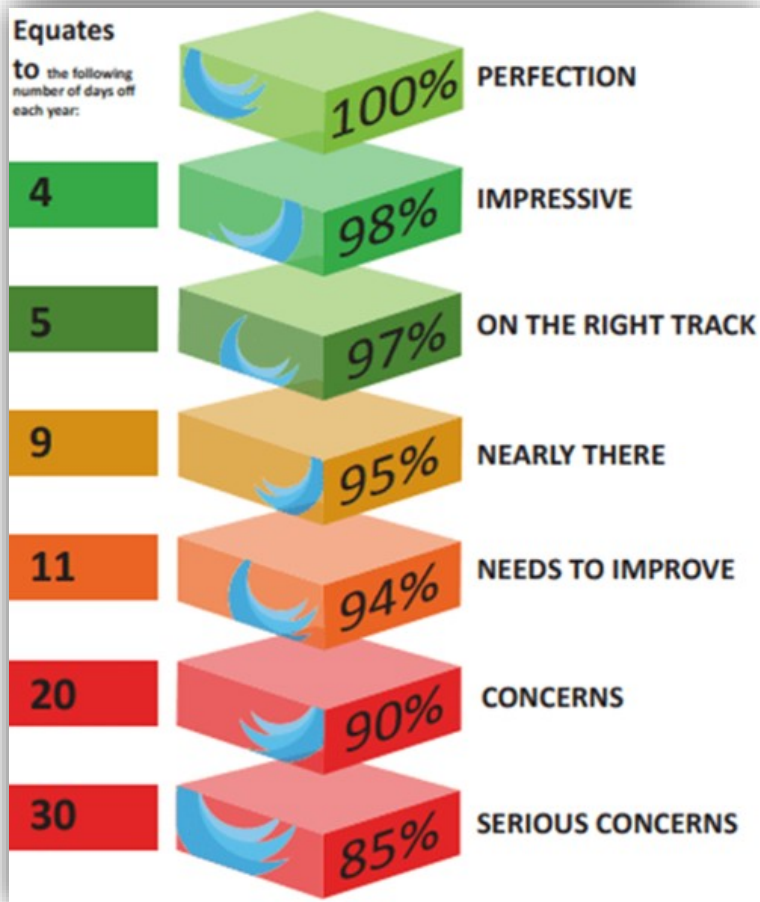
Well done to our Star Learners!

We are very proud of you.



Attendance Update

| Attendance | |
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| Nursery | 91.5% |
| Reception | 100% |
| Year 1 | 95.3% |
| Year 2 | 84.6% |
| Year 3 | 95.6% |
| Year 4 | 94.5% |
| Year 5 | 91.4% |
| Year 6 | 94.3% |



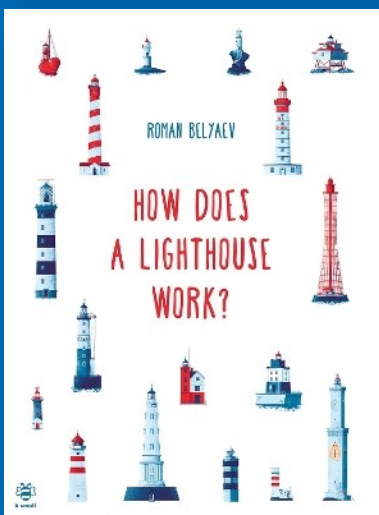
Attendance is closely monitored in our Academy. Aside from publishing attendance figures here, Mrs Baddeley and our Attendance Officer, Mrs Vickeridge meet regularly to review how we can best support families where attendance is below the expected level and take action where appropriate.

Well done to Reception this week for their 100% green result. 84 children across the Academy managed 100% attendance this week.



Be In SCHOOL
Be On TIME

Mrs Lampe Cullen's Recommended Reads

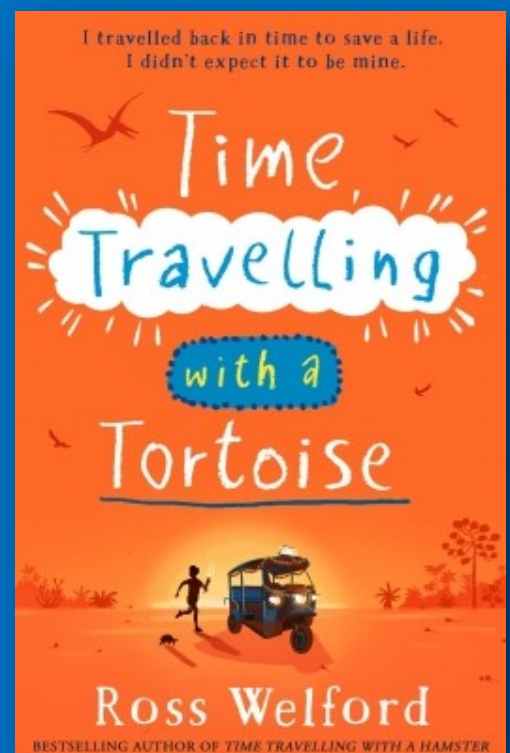


Join a group of school children on this voyage of discovery and discover the answers to lots of questions as well as fascinating facts about lighthouses and how they work. *How Does a Lighthouse Work?* provides a fascinating journey through the science and history of lighthouses around the world. Through history a lighthouse has been an important, in fact essential tool for sailors to navigate safely and this remains so today in order to protect all sailors from the dangerous coastlines and rocky outcrops out to sea that are found all over the world.

Exciting, funny, heartwarming, and mind-bendingly clever, *Time Travelling with a Tortoise* is the extraordinary, adventure-packed sequel to Ross Welford's beloved, bestselling debut, *Time Travelling with a Hamster*.

Al Chaudhry travelled back in time to save his father's life. And it worked - Al's dad is alive again and life is back to the way it should be. At least, that's what Al thinks.

But when an accident robs Al's beloved Grandpa Byron of his world-beating memory, Al is forced back in time again, this time leaving someone behind, trapped in a prehistoric dimension. Al is forced into a rescue mission to recover his friend from the past... and to make sure that there will be a future waiting for them all. It turns out time travel is far more complicated than Al thought.





Update from St. Leonard's Church, Ryton-on-Dunsmore

Over the next year, St Leonard's Church will be joining the parishes of Wolston and Church Lawford to create a group of churches (a combined benefice) that will be working together.

Following interviews in November, a new Priest-in-Charge, the Reverend Malcolm Ingham, has been appointed to lead these churches. We are delighted with the appointment and look forward to welcoming Malcolm, his wife Liz, and family to the three churches and villages after Easter.

**On 28th January 2024
at St Leonard's Church**

**at 9.30 am
(starting in the Church Centre)**

**Family Service
CHRISTINGLE**



*Collection for the work of the
Children's Society*

Everybody welcome!