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Roseberry Academy News

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Pupils of the week

You are ALL pupils of the week this week for being amazing!

It would have been lovely to be able to wish Mrs Davies well in person as she starts her maternity leave. Mrs Davies has amazed us with her energy during her pregnancy - she was determined to give her all to her class and has continued to do so even whilst at home. It's time now, however, for her to concentrate upon the exciting time of becoming a mum. Mr and Mrs Davies, we wish you both love and happiness as you become parents and we look forward to seeing pictures of your little one when he/she arrives! We can't wait to meet our Roseberry baby! Mrs C

Home learning update

Your child may be coming to the end of their paper based home-learning pack. After Easter, children will continue to receive high quality work to do, but this will be communicated via the internet rather than in paper form. Please don't worry - not all activities will be screen/web based! Following trials of Seesaw and Microsoft Teams, we will also be introducing ways in which teachers can give feedback on the work that children complete and discuss their learning with them. We'll update you soon!

We don't expect your child to complete school work during their Easter holiday, but teachers will share ideas on their blog pages for things that children and families may do to keep boredom at bay!

Internet safety

As children may be having more screen time, it is important that they keep themselves safe online and parents and carers have an important role in this. Internet matters <https://www.internetmatters.org/> provides a range of support for families to enable all family members to stay safe.

Don't forget to check your class blog pages and Mrs Channing's blog page on the website for updates, online learning and fun activities!

How many Easter eggs has Stan hidden in this week's newsletter? Can you find them all?

Free School Meals - if you're eligible, you have a right to claim them!

Please make sure that you check to see whether you are eligible to claim Free School Meals for your child. The eligibility criteria for free school meals can be found on: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Why not sing Sila Sila today?

I've created a video on my blog for you to sing along to.
You could even teach it to your grown ups!

Home discussion question
Stan asked...
Why is it important for us to stay at home?



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If you need to contact us, please call **01642 722883** or email **office@roseberryacademy.org**
Please note that office staff are homeworking and so phones are being diverted. You may need to leave a message on the answerphone. We will respond to you as soon as we can!

Times Tables Rockstars awards this week

Most improved accuracy - Oliver Tombling
Most coins earned in a week - Arthur Jones (71446)
Most Improved speed - Frankie Russell

Congratulations!

Huge congratulations to our families who have welcomed new babies into the world this week. We are looking forward to meeting these precious new members of our Roseberry family when we return to school!

As school is open for Key Workers' children during the Easter holiday, staff are now on a rota system. If they do not update their blog or answer your messages swiftly, it may be that they are having time with their own family.
Thanks for your understanding.

Teachers will be catching up with families once a week via telephone calls. We can't guarantee which day you will be called but please don't ignore a 'no caller ID number', as it could be a teacher!

Celebrating kindness

We have all been amazed at the kindness and selflessness of people within our communities during this difficult time. Stan thought it would be a lovely idea for children to stop and think about kindness this weekend.

Discuss what the word kindness means. Draw a mind map and write down some words related to kindness. How does kindness make us feel? Write or draw what kindness means.

How can we be kind and helpful around the home? Could we keep our bedrooms tidy, help lay or clear the table or put the washing away? Children could ask themselves: How did it feel to be kind? What did it mean to the person I was helping? What might I do next?

Discuss hopes for a kind future. When this difficult time is over how might we continue to be kind to each other?



Think about what you are grateful for. Draw around your hand on a piece of paper and, in each outline of a finger, write one thing you are thankful for. For example: family, friends or the environment.

Think of ways your household or group can be kind to themselves. This could be continuing to do things that make you all happy. Write or draw things you like doing and can still do whilst isolating, such as listening to or playing music, drawing or speaking to friends on the phone.



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