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# Roseberry Academy News

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## Pupils of the week

Jessica  
Dumphy-Brook  
Jake Dumphy-Brook  
Joe Dumphy-Brook  
Isla Holmes  
Zach Mackenzie  
Mikey Gallilee  
Felix Lambert  
Oscar Settrington  
Sally Jensen



**Home discussion question**  
**Stan asked...**  
**Why shouldn't we have screen time at bedtime?**



Huge congratulations to everyone who has continued with their learning this week and to teachers for providing such super activities to keep children engaged and enthused. I have enjoyed seeing the work that children have been busy producing and would like to offer heartfelt thanks to adults at home for their ongoing support. Home-schooling isn't easy, but you're doing a brilliant job!

Mrs Channing



## VE Day - or 'Victory in Europe Day'



Today is a really important day, as it marks 75 years since the day that the end of World War Two was announced. On 8th May 1945, Prime Minister Winston Churchill made an announcement on the radio at 3pm that the war in Europe had come to an end, following Germany's surrender the day before. If you are celebrating today, have fun but be safe!

## Planning our safe return to a 'new normal'

You will be aware that there is much speculation in the press and media regarding when children will be able to return to school. Although we have no dates or information about this yet, please be assured that I am working closely with the Enquire Learning Trust to develop an action plan for re-opening which will include measures to keep our school family as safe as possible. Please be assured that as soon as I have information regarding re-opening, I will let you know!

## A HUGE offer of thanks!

I would like to say a MASSIVE thank you to the teachers, Teaching Assistants and kitchen staff who have continued to work in school, looking after the children of Key Workers during this difficult time. This fabulous team may be small in number, but it's doing an amazingly HUGE job!

## Welcome to Teams, Mr Thompson!

During these strange times, we have tried to ensure that we stay together as a school family, albeit virtually. Staff have been having regular video call meetings, children have been chatting and learning online through Teams and Lesley has continued to support the children and families that usually pop in to see her throughout the week via phone contact. Although staff and children have remained in contact, we've missed Mr Thompson who helps so many of our children with their learning throughout the week when we are in 'real' school. I am, therefore, delighted that Mr Thompson has gladly accepted his invitation to join classes on Teams!

## 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>

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If you need to contact us, please call **01642 722883** or email [office@roseberryacademy.org](mailto: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 Tournament Results

★ Miss Harmar	<b>14812</b>	<b>4731</b>	Mrs Charlton
★ Mr Moore	<b>13881</b>	<b>13651</b>	Mrs Davis
Mrs Kearns	<b>3651</b>	<b>9292</b>	Mrs Murton ★

### Wonderful feedback!

*I am delighted by the feedback and kind comments that children are offering one another in response to the work being shared on Teams. This is lovely to see - well done!*

**There is an expectation that ALL children access learning**, even though they are not in school. Please access Teams for your child's assignments. If you cannot access Teams, please call the office on 01642 722883 and they will arrange for your child's teacher to call you.

As school is open for Key Workers' children, some staff are on a rota system. If they do not answer your messages straight away, or give swift feedback to children's work, it may be that they are working with children in school. Thanks for your understanding.

*Although we are now using Microsoft Teams to set learning activities for children to complete, we are still using our website blog pages to celebrate the fabulous work that children produce. I am also updating my blog with assemblies and useful information.*

### Playtime on Teams

Don't forget, KS2 children, that you have the chance to chat to children in your class on Teams each day 10.30am - 10.45am and 1pm - 1.15pm. The Teaching Assistants on playtime duty have been really impressed with how sensible and kind children have been!

### Bedtime routines

*I know that lockdown isn't easy and that normal routines have been disrupted as we have adapted to a new way of living. Keeping a strict bedtime routine, however, will make life so much easier for everyone when we return to school. It also ensures that children have the quality sleep they need to be healthy and keep learning!*

### Times Tables Rockstars awards this week - well done!

Most improved accuracy - Tarna Thompson

Most coins earned in a week - Daniel Lavender

Most Improved speed - Jamie Flanagan



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