

The Buzz 26 April 2018

Headteacher's Update

Children in Year 3,4 and 5 have been focusing on researching, discussing, writing and presenting a short 'view point' for the Youth Speaks competition which was held yesterday in our school hall. Miss Lowry and Mrs Appleton, teachers from Fareham Academy, judged the children's presentation and content in their role making an introduction, acting as the main speaker and in summarising for reflection. The children made their presentations to all children in Year 3,4 and 5; **they were absolutely brilliant!** They used sophisticated vocabulary to articulate persuasive points, they identified a topical focus for debate and they evidently researched to underpin key view points with facts.

Presenting your considered opinion to an audience is a real challenge. Our children employed sophisticated skills to use intonation and gesture to emphasise and convince. They were animated and courageous in their presentations and I am so incredibly proud of each and every one of them. Furthermore, when the teachers announced the winning team from each year group, pupils on other teams congratulated the winners demonstrating maturity and generosity. Each and every child participated through the developmental stages which ultimately enabled one team to present. How special they are to value and respect each other as learners.

Mrs Johnson and Mr Castell led an assembly yesterday on competitive sports. The children reflected on the qualities you need as an individual to be competitive with yourself and when you are a team player. Again the children identified exemplar qualities noting it was vital to, 'push yourself to the limit' while being 'compassionate'. We are all looking forward to being the best that we can be and competing in our sports teams—fingers crossed for sunshine :)



Attendance

Please ensure that if your child is unwell you kindly contact the office and leave a message on the answerphone before the start of the day—please also let us know of the reason for your child's absence as we are required to maintain comprehensive records. Statics show that children with an attendance of 96% or above are more likely to achieve their predicted grades at the end of key stage 2.



Writing Prize

Congratulations and well done to Nathan and Tom who have been awarded the Writing Prize. Well done also to all those pupils who have been nominated - keep up the good work!



Maths Prize

Congratulations to Ava and William who have been awarded the Maths Prize since the last Buzz. Well done to all the nominees - it's great to see you placing such effort and pride in your work.

Diary Dates

2 May - 9 May 2018 Traveling Books

Thursday 3 May Film Night

7 May Bank Holiday (School closed)

14 May -17 May Year 6 SATs

21-25 May Walk to School Week

24 May 2018 Star School

25 May Non-Uniform Day

Our school calendar is on our website together with letters that are sent home

Thank you to all parents who volunteer at school events. If you wish to help in any way, either at a Friends of Ranvilles event or by listening to children read, supporting them with art etc., please let the school office know. Thank you in anticipation.



Premiership Bench

Well done to all those children who have earned a place on the premiership bench: Amber, Hollie, William, Summer, Megan, James, Annaliese and Jasmine, William, Maisie, Rhys, Ruby, Oscar, Jorja, Lewis and Lucas.



Pupil Premium for Children with a Parent Serving in the Forces

If you feel that your child would benefit from some emotional support at school owing to the deployment of a parent, please do not hesitate to let us know. Children often display a resilience at school when they might be feeling a little sad / vulnerable inside—they typically let you know this before us. We can offer one to one counselling, group activities and personalised provision to support your child and home/school links.



Social, Moral, Spiritual, Cultural (SMSC) Question for Home/School Discussion

Is it worse to fail at something or never attempt it in the first place?

Our children focus on moral education through Ranvilles STARS. Each STAR represents a different concept. Taking time to discuss SMSC questions helps children to establish their values and appreciate different viewpoints.



Governor News

Many congratulations to Sue Johnson, clerk to the Governing Body, who has had a baby girl named Emily. We are absolutely thrilled for Sue and her family and wish them much happiness.