



Rothersthorpe CE Primary School
Pride, Ability, Positivity
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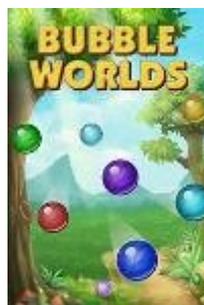
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Dear Parents, Welcome back everyone—it was so lovely to see and hear all the children learning and playing at school again last week.

Although some of the new procedures at school are a little different, the children are proving to be very adaptable, resilient and amazing. We are very proud of them. Well done! Drop off and pick up times are still quite busy, but everyone is social distancing well. However, when Reception children start school next week it will be even busier. Therefore can we please ask that only 1 parent brings/collects their child/ren—this will help to limit the number of people on the pavements and playground. There will also be even more cars parking in the area so class 4 children who are walking to their car, may need to walk a bit further. Please park and drive very carefully and remember to use the 'green cross code'. Thank you. **Kind regards, Mrs Fountain and Staff at Rothersthorpe School**



**Back to School
with bubbles, hearts
and lots of little feet**



THANK YOU!

Thank you for all the thoughtful gifts, cards and kind comments given to staff at the end of the summer term.



We really appreciated everything said and given.





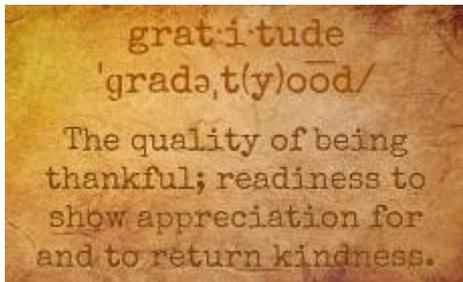
The 'Own it' app/keyboard— Keeping Safe online

The BBC have launched a brand new app called 'own it'. It's there to give everyone help and advice when needed. Download it now to help you take control and lead a positive life online.

The app features a special keyboard, offering 'real time', 'in the moment' help and advice on whatever a person is typing. For example, if a person is typing something which might be upsetting to the person receiving it or typing personal details, the app reminds them to think twice about whether they should type it/share it. It can even recognise language that might suggest they are in trouble and will offer them advice and encourage them to talk to a trusted person.

The app provides a range of resources to help young people make the most of their time online and build healthy behaviours and habits—covering everything from managing screen time to boosting digital wellbeing. Most importantly the app will encourage young people to have open, honest and regular conversations with their parents about their online experiences.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p07nml5h>



Christian Value of the term: Thankfulness

At school we will be exploring the Christian value of 'Thankfulness' by:

Remembering to say Thank you; being appreciative and thankful to all members of our school community; saying Grace and being thankful for our food; praising creation; being thankful for Good News.

This value can be developed further at home by children: learning the words for 'Thank you' in other languages; writing their own mealtime Grace; going on a nature walk and choosing adjectives to describe what they can see, hear and smell; listening to a piece of special music; designing a 'made my day' box where they can place examples of how their friends or family have 'made their day'.



Our Year 6's Leading Assemblies

On Friday our Y6's led a brilliant Zoom assembly to all the classes. They talked about how to set and over-come 'challenges' and shared several practical examples such as—keeping fit, learning words in another language etc. This week they will be sharing acrostic 'Thank you' poems written by the rest of the school.

Well done for a great start Y6!



ClassDojo continued....

We have started to post school assembly PowerPoints onto the ClassDojo main page and Class 4 have already started to use this online learning platform for home work. If you need your child's log in details again, please email your class teacher. The new Y1 children will soon receive their log-in details. (It's similar to Tapestry).



Playing and learning outdoors more is great fun!



Harvest Festival Date—Beginning of October 2020—to be advised

We will still be organising our 'Harvest Festival assembly'. However, as with everything, it will be slightly different. Hopefully we will organise in class bubbles on the field—outside in nature! At the moment, we think it is most probable that parents/families will not be able to attend. However, we will keep you posted. A few days before the assembly a donation box will be outside school for 'harvest food' to be put into. We will leave the donations for 72 hours before distributing to 'The Hope Centre' in Northampton.

Calendar

Monday 7th September	Reception class transition day
Friday 11th September at 2.30pm	First Achievements Special Assembly—see below
Monday 14th September	Reception children start school
Friday 25th September	Macmillan coffee morning in school
Beginning of October	Harvest Festival
Friday 23rd October	Last day before half term
Mon 26th –Fri 30th October	Half Term
Monday 2nd November	Training Day—school closed
Tuesday 3rd November	Back to School
Friday 18th December	Last day of school before Christmas
Mon 21st-Fri 1st January 2021	Christmas holidays
Monday 4th January 2021	Training day—school closed



Special Achievement Assembly Friday 11th September 2020



On Friday 11th September we will re-start our popular achievements assembly. Unfortunately at the present time we cannot open our assemblies to parents/families. However, we will take lots of photos and share them with you. Children can bring to school any certificates/awards they have received outside school from next week, Friday 18th September. They should keep them in their 'school bag' and only the child should 'touch the item'.

As previously mentioned, this week we will be giving out certificates, prizes etc during the assembly. All children will be included as everyone did a range of different learning over the lockdown period from reading, maths, writing, phonics, projects, keeping fit, online activities, baking cakes and cooking, spending time in nature, art and crafts, puzzles, supporting charities, joining in with school zoom events and helping their families and neighbours. So many we can't list them all..... We loved sharing all of your amazing home learning in our weekly newsletters. Class 1 used email, Tapestry and phone calls. Y1-Y6 used a mixture of ClassDojo, email, Zoom, booklets and telephone calls to share their learning. We hope you can continue sharing with us.

For those children who also collected 'ClassDojo points', they will have their points transferred into Dojo certificates—Bronze, Silver or Gold. We know that lots of children and families really enjoyed taking part and this will be recognised. (Each class had a slightly different points criteria—we will award fairly).

We will follow 'Covid procedures' with our assembly. We are hoping to be seated outside in class bubbles. Staff will wash their hands/wear gloves when giving out certificates, prizes etc. We are sure that all the children will enjoy celebrating being 'back at school' with their teachers and friends. Everyone at Rothersthorpe would like to take the time to say well done to all the children and families for their hard work, resilience, care and compassion over lockdown and these unprecedented times. 😊



Macmillan Coffee Morning NOTHING STOPS A COFFEE MORNING

Friday 25th September 2020

Children please bring 50p to school for a cake, which will be donated to the Church MacMillan fund. We will enjoy our cakes at school this year, in our class bubbles.

School will follow Covid procedures when organising.

We will purchase individual packs of cakes and staff will wash their hands / wear gloves.
PLEASE INFORM SCHOOL OF ANY ALLERGIES.

