



Weekly Update 09.05.2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a great week!

Collaboration Counts: We continue to explore what being a great team looks like for us as a school and within our families. The book of Proverbs in the Bible says, *"Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed."* Proverbs 15:22. It can be tempting to go alone and do it our way but that is often the short cut to the wrong path. It takes humility and wisdom to seek and weigh up the advice of those around us. One of the collaboration questions from our shared language is, *"What do you suggest?"* and is one we want the children to ask of those around them, friends, teachers, parents, knowing a second or third opinion can be so helpful. It is also a handy question to ask our children when they are telling us how bad our plans are, inviting them to be part of the solution. The next verse in Proverbs says, *"A person finds joy in giving an apt reply— and how good is a timely word!"* Let us also be givers of timely, wise and encouraging words.

VE Day Celebrations: We marked the 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe Day on Wednesday and Thursday this week. Local artist (and very helpful parent) Elizabeth Hammond joined us in school on Wednesday to work with the children in creating some lovely commemorative artwork to mark the occasion which we have displayed in school today. She also brought in a typewriter from the 1940s for the children to have a go using as we stepped back into the past. On Thursday we started the day with a special Collective Worship and explored how VE Day was celebrated in Romsey back in 1945.

Y6 SATs Week: Our wonderful and hard working Year 6 children will be sitting their End of KS2 SATs next week. We are proud of all they have achieved whilst with us over the last 7 years and this is an opportunity to celebrate all they have learned and mastered within the curriculum. The tests take place at the front of school so **please be mindful of noise if you need to pop into the office between 9:00am and lunchtime** from Monday to Thursday.

Romsey Relay Marathon: Children's Race: This excellent community event is coming up soon on Sunday 18th May at Broadlands. The school is entering a staff team and there is also a parent team taking part too. There is also a Children's race at approximately 3:00pm once the marathon relay is finished. There is no sign up for the children's race so do come along if your child would like to take part in a 1.3 mile run with other children across Romsey. If you are interested in finding out more please go to the website <https://www.romseymarathon.co.uk/> or email info@romseymarathon.co.uk. You will **need to have a pass** to enter broadlands so please speak to the office if you would like one.

Term Time Holidays: Please do not book term time holidays. Good attendance is very clearly linked to better progress and achievement in school. We know very well the cost implications of holidays in



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the school holidays but the children's education must be the priority. Fixed Penalty Notices will be issued for 5 unauthorised absences within a 100 school day period. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary: Please check the dates for your diary carefully
each week: https://docs.google.com/document/d/10-Qagv3rcTOhIIgpgLuw5Jpz_roi8-UQP-67qL45jBc/edit

Prayer: I'll finish with a prayer which you are very welcome to join me in praying for Year 6 next week...

*Dear God,
We pray for the Year 6 children and staff ahead of next week's SATs. Please give them confidence, focus and concentration so that they can do their very best in the assessments and be proud of what they achieve. We pray that school would be a calm and encouraging place next week for them and our whole school family.
Amen*

Have a great weekend and we'll see you on Monday!

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