



# Robertswood School

# Newsletter

## 2019-20 #1

Dear Parents, Guardians and Children

Welcome to the Christmas edition of the school's Newsletter at the end of a very busy term. It has been a very good one with children enjoying a broad and engaging curriculum – just ask the children in year 5 who have been making bread or year 4 who have been learning about Romans. We have enjoyed two sets of nativity plays from Nursery and Reception, Years 1 and 2 with Years 3 and 5 performing to a packed Gold Hill church. Year 6 managed to get out and about as they performed some songs at the Epilepsy Centre.

Ultimately, the children have been working hard across the very many different areas of the curriculum and this has been reflected in a constantly changing name at the top of the Respect Token competition resulting in the smallest ever winning margin since records began for Citrine. As a result, everybody deserves a well-earned break for Christmas.

### ROBERTSWOOD VOTE ON INTERESTING MANIFESTOS

The term culminated in some very important elections. Children had their chance to cast a vote in KS1 and KS2. The younger children in Year 1 and Year 2 had an assembly to debate the merits of 4 Little Miss and 4 Mr Men characters running the country. Little Miss Magic was the most popular vote for the magical powers that could be exerted to sort out the country.

Meanwhile, in the main hall, Years 3 – 6 had 4 candidates to choose from as each of them presented additional opportunities to be enjoyed at Star Time. Interestingly, many children went into the assembly with definite ideas of who to vote for but came out a lot more undecided, such was the persuasive qualities of speeches and presentations (maybe because this is one of Robertswood's skills). In something of a bold move, Mr Lower secured a landslide victory with the promise of food with the movie that was watched in the hall on Friday. The full results were as follows in alphabetical order from the returning officer (Mr Cartledge): Mrs Chapman 38, Mr Lower 110, Mrs Stanford 45 and Mr Wilson 39.

**VOTE FOR MR LOWER**

THE MOVIE PARTY

Mr Lower wants to spend Star Time with the stars of the silver screen. If he is chosen, there will be a DVD in the hall.

**MAKE STAR TIME SPECTACULAR**

**VOTE FOR MRS STANFORD**

THE SPECIAL PARTY

Mrs Stanford has yet to declare her position on how Star Time can be made more special.

**MAKE STAR TIME EXTRA SPECIAL**

**VOTE FOR MR WILSON**

THE DISCO PARTY

Mr Wilson believes that dance deserves a place in Star Time. If he is chosen, he will provide outdoor disco music.

**BRING DISCO TO STAR TIME**

**VOTE FOR MRS CHAPMAN**

THE OUTDOOR PARTY

Mrs Chapman believes that outside is as important as indoors. Teachers will play outside and will also open the library for all.

**MAKE STAR TIME INSIDE AND OUT**

### SMALLEST EVER WINNING MARGIN IN RESPECT TOKEN COMPETITION

Citrine finally came through to win this term's Respect Token competition by the barest of margins. 7 is the smallest ever winning margin. But the story of the competition is that each house held the lead at various points of the term.

*In such a close competition, all the house captains surround the Respect Token trophy (pictured right)*

#### RESPECT TOKEN TABLE FINAL POSITIONS

|          |      |
|----------|------|
| Citrine  | 6097 |
| Garnet   | 6090 |
| Sapphire | 5950 |
| Emerald  | 5924 |



## YEAR 2 EAT A LOT OF BISCUITS\* IN THE AUTUMN TERM

*\*the biscuit tin is awarded to the class that has the best attendance in any given week*

2K and 2W secured the most victories in the attendance competition this term. Most of their victories came in the first part of the term when the school was at the peak of its health. Since half-term, the year 4's as well as the year 2's have managed to avoid illness and register some consistently good results before Christmas. Hopefully, the New Year will bring increased temperatures and more consistent attendance due to good health. Rest up well everybody.

| Week #     | RF   | RH   | 1C   | 1KR  | 2K   | 2W   | 3B   | 3DW  | 4C   | 4L   | 5S   | 5T   | 6AC  | 6C   |
|------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1          | 97.3 | 100  | 100  | 96.4 | 100  | 98.8 | 95.8 | 100  | 95.2 | 95.7 | 95.6 | 98.9 | 94.8 | 97.8 |
| 2          | 94   | 89.2 | 96.2 | 97.5 | 98.6 | 91.9 | 99.2 | 95.4 | 90   | 96.7 | 97.3 | 95.2 | 91.7 | 95.7 |
| 3          | 96   | 92.3 | 97.3 | 91.8 | 99.3 | 91.9 | 96   | 99.6 | 97.9 | 98.2 | 98.3 | 98.6 | 90.3 | 98.3 |
| 4          | 92.8 | 94.2 | 96   | 89.3 | 99.3 | 94.2 | 98   | 94.6 | 97.9 | 98.9 | 95.3 | 94.1 | 94.1 | 93.7 |
| 5          | 90.7 | 89.4 | 94.8 | 96.4 | 97.1 | 99.2 | 100  | 92.3 | 94.6 | 95.9 | 96   | 95.5 | 92.8 | 89   |
| 6          | 93.3 | 95.2 | 98.4 | 95.7 | 96.8 | 97.3 | 97.2 | 91.2 | 98.2 | 97.4 | 98   | 97.2 | 90.7 | 99   |
| 7          | 94   | 91.2 | 93.5 | 88.4 | 98.2 | 97.1 | 96   | 96.2 | 97.3 | 95.8 | 96.7 | 97   | 89.7 | 93.3 |
| 8          | 91.1 | 98.8 | 95.2 | 98.6 | 95.6 | 99.2 | 97.2 | 92.3 | 95.7 | 98.2 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 93.8 | 97   |
| 9          | 88.9 | 98.8 | 100  | 98.6 | 99.3 | 97.7 | 98.4 | 97.7 | 97.9 | 96.7 | 100  | 98   | 92.7 | 98.7 |
| 10         | 90.4 | 93.6 | 97.7 | 96.4 | 92.2 | 94.6 | 98   | 96.2 | 94.6 | 99.6 | 94.5 | 88.7 | 92   | 97   |
| 11         | 97   | 98.4 | 91.5 | 90   | 90.7 | 93.6 | 90.4 | 90.7 | 94.6 | 98.2 | 95.2 | 97.3 | 96.7 | 94.3 |
| 12         | 81.9 | 94.4 | 91.5 | 96.1 | 91.9 | 97   | 92.8 | 95   | 92.9 | 95.2 | 94.1 | 94   | 94.7 | 93.7 |
| 13         | 92.9 | 94   | 95.7 | 95   | 96.5 | 96.1 | 96.7 | 94.9 | 95.5 | 97   | 96   | 95.5 | 93.1 | 95.3 |
| 14         | 85.2 | 94.2 | 89.5 | 91.5 | 87.9 | 95.4 | 85   | 73.1 | 89.8 | 92.6 | 64.7 | 60.8 | 90   | 89.6 |
| 15         | 94.8 | 92.3 | 96.8 | 98.2 | 98.9 | 94.6 | 88.6 | 95.2 | 95.6 | 94.6 | 94.6 | 92   | 95.7 | 90.3 |
| This week  | 88.2 | 94.2 | 97.4 | 90.3 | 91.2 | 90.1 | 83.7 | 95.6 | 99   | 88.5 | 94.5 | 97.7 | 99   | 96.1 |
| Total wins | 0    | 2    | 2    | 0    | 4    | 3    | 2    | 2    | 1    | 2    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 1    |

## ROBERTSWOOD FINSH SECOND IN BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

Robertswood came agonisingly close to winning the county finals but lost 4-3 on penalties to Haddenham in the final

Here's how the Saturday morning unfolded.

Match 1 - Won the first game 1-0 against Downley. Brilliant defence and super goal on the break from AY! One more game in the group stage and then semi-finals at least to come.

Match 2 - Tightly fought 0-0 against William Harding, neither side had chances to score. However, the draw is enough to go through as group winners!

Match 3 - Just about to kick off the semi vs Great Missenden (Again!) 1-1 after extra time - penalties HW with a very deserved equaliser. On top for the whole game and very unlucky to have to do pens... Robertswood win. JS the hero, saving 5!

The Final - Dominated the whole game and clearly the better side but couldn't quite force the goal. Lost 4-3 on penalties but they have been an absolute credit to themselves and to the school. All absolutely gutted but couldn't be prouder.

## Romans in Year 4

This term, Year 4 have been learning all about the Romans and their occupation of Britain in AD43. We have been lucky enough to visit the Verulamium Museum in St. Albans, which contained all sorts of artefacts from almost 2000 years ago. In addition to this, we also participated in a 'Roman Day' in school where everybody got to dress up in character, learn battle tactics and even try food from the time period. [More Roman pictures](#)



## Stars of the Term – Autumn 2019

The last assembly of term saw the termly announcement of the Stars of the Term. A mixture of boys and girls stood out with a common theme of trying hard and working hard impressing staff from across the school. Each received a certificate, 5 Respect Tokens and an automatic invitation to the end-of-term Tea Party.



|         |             |  |
|---------|-------------|--|
| RF      | <b>SB</b>   | For always trying her best and having such a positive attitude towards her learning.                   |
| RH      | <b>EP</b>   | For always working hard and making fantastic progress this term 😊.                                     |
| 1KR     | <b>SB</b>   | For her hard work, bravery and for being a great role model.   |
| 1C      | <b>EF</b>   | For always working hard and encouraging others to do the same.   |
| 2W      | <b>TW</b>   | For her quiet enthusiasm and delight in her learning and for always following Star Values.             |
| 2K      | <b>SD</b>   | For always being kind, reliable, helpful, hardworking and cheerful. A real star!                       |
| 3B      | <b>E-SD</b> | For always following the Star Values and working hard in everything and always putting in 100% effort. |
| 3D<br>W | <b>MMD</b>  | For an impeccable attitude towards learning and for being a star member of the class.                  |
| 4L      | <b>AS</b>   | For always bringing a brilliant attitude towards everything that he does.                              |
| 4C      | <b>GB</b>   | For putting in maximum effort without fail and always doing so with a smile.                           |
| 5S      | <b>JR</b>   | For trying her best in everything that she does and always being kind to others.                       |
| 5T      | <b>LM</b>   | For exceptional listening and engagement with all aspects of learning in year 5.                       |
| 6AC     | <b>SH</b>   | For always trying her absolute best in any task she is faced with 😊.                                   |
| 6C      | <b>KB</b>   | For her exemplary attitude towards all aspects of school life, as well as her ever growing confidence. |