

Term 3  
Holly Class Newsletter  
12th January 2018



## SCHOOL OF ROCK

As your child may have told you by now, we are on an epic musical journey through time. We began with 'Elvis day!' and immersed ourselves into 1950s culture and we're now in the 60s enjoying Beatlemania, some serious distortion pedals (including a Jimi Hendrix-themed guitar workshop) and some political folk from Bob Dylan as well as some inspirational black female artists such as Aretha Franklin and The Supremes. The motivation to use music as a vehicle for the children's learning came from my own love of everything I am educating the children about. I aim to inspire your children to gain a valuable historical perspective by placing their growing knowledge into different contexts. I will guide them to understand the cultural and historical significance of these decades by looking at different artists and their music. We will naturally head off on different tangents: examining where the musicians lived, how they had an impact on society, what obstacles they faced, what was remarkable about their contribution to the music scene and so on. Don't worry, we will still be filling our day with Maths, English and all the other subjects, but all with a twist that will hopefully keep your children wanting to be at school and not miss a day of the journey.

Friday 19th Jan	Russet Team treat: Build a bear workshop
Friday 26th Jan	Holly Class assembly for parents 2.45
Wed 31st Jan	Young Voices at the 02
Mon 5th-9th Feb	Residential trip to Bowles, Year 5&6
Thurs 8th Feb	Welly Walk 1.30 Parents welcome
Fri 9th Feb	Break up for half term
Fri 19th Jan	Return for Term 4

**Bowles - Miss Jones and Mr. leader will send photos through to us each day and we will parentmail these to you. Please make sure we have your correct details so these reach you and put a smile on your face.**

Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school EVERY DAY because we are being flexible with our timetable this term. The PE kit should contain black shorts, yellow Tshirt, plimsolls, outdoor trainers and warmer tracksuit/leggings.

## Home Learning

At this age, your children need to be reading every single day. As I explain to them, it is their chance to actually make themselves smarter. Please ensure they do read as the texts that we use in class are getting increasingly harder and this is the way you can have the most impact to your child's learning.

**Thank you for your continued support.**

## Class Assembly Friday 26th January

Please pop the date in your diary. It is a perfect way to come and see what your child has been up to recently and a really good chance for the children to perform in public, showcasing their talents and achievements to their most important audience—you.