

## Parent Newsletter

### Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2024

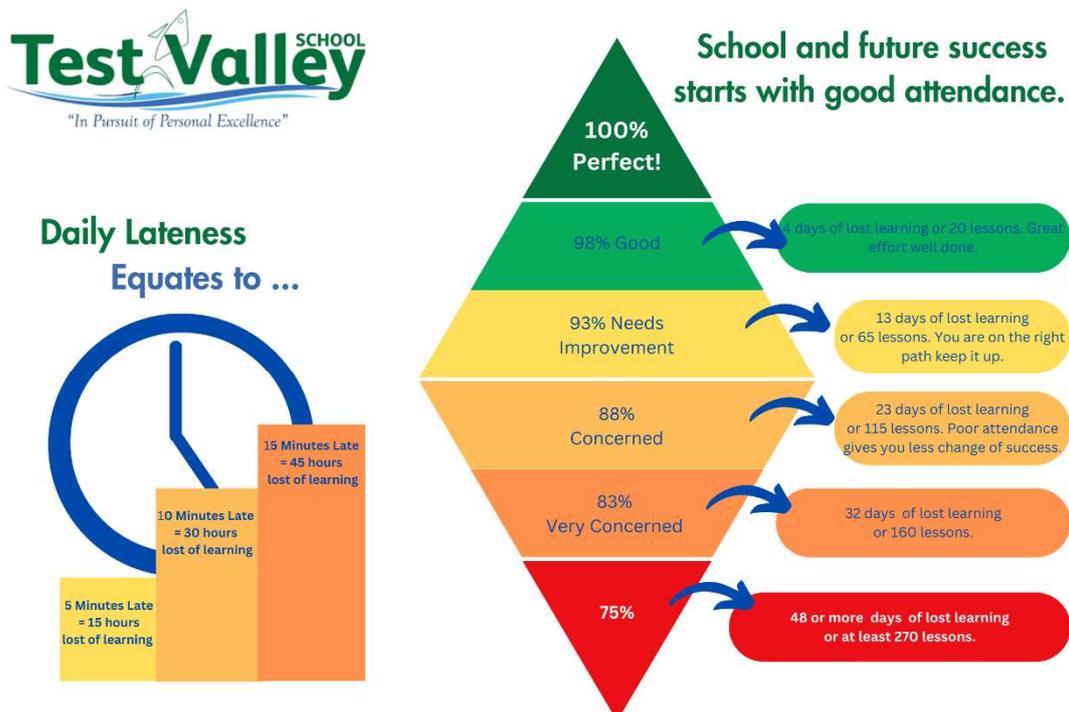
Dear Parents/Carers,

This term has flown by, faster than I can every remember! We've managed to pack lots of work in during lessons and during opportunities to learn beyond the classroom. Mrs Mckeown, SLT and I have been pleased with continued positive changes in behaviour and attitudes, personal development, and the quality of education over the last term. With each term that passes our culture grows stronger and stronger, we are immensely proud of our wonderful pupils and staff.

As a result of the improvements across the school and the relationships we've built, we are welcoming more students to our school each week. Over the last 2 weeks we've welcomed 9 new pupils and toured prospective pupils and parents around the school with a view to joining us after Easter. Our new members of the TVS community come from all over the world, even as far afield as New Zealand! It's so exciting to bring such a wide range of cultures together and learn from each other. I extend a warm welcome to our new families; we look forward to getting to know you and working together.

As you know attendance and mental health is high on the agenda for government, the DFE and everyone within the teaching profession. We are frequently reminded about the importance on adverts, radio, TV and social media. Like all schools, we have made attendance one of our school priorities. Tutors, Year Leaders and SLT are frequently monitoring and supporting pupils and families who need help. If you feel you need support with your child, please do get in touch with your child's Year Leader in the first instance. We do have an incredible Family Support Lead and Pastoral Team who will work alongside you and help to improve your child's attendance.

We are so pleased to report that our attendance over the last term continues to improve. There is still much work to be done but we are determined to exceed National figures by the end of the year. Here's a reminder of our attendance diamond, highlighting the impact having days off can have on outcomes.





The Geneva Trip was a great success, pupils and staff were eager to share their stories and photos of the trips and chat about the new knowledge they have acquired. Thanks so much to Mrs White for organising the trip and for Mrs Collins, Mrs Hardy and Mr Thomas for accompanying the trip.



Our school production 'She Stoops to Conquer' was performed on Wednesday and Thursday evening, congratulation to the cast for your creativity when devising and performing the play, it looked like you enjoyed yourselves! Huge thanks to Mrs Brush for inspiring and challenging the cast to step outside of mainstream musical theatre productions, all the hard work paid off!

A polite reminder that all pupils must wear black leather school shoes, trainers are not part of our uniform policy. Nor are acrylic nails, rings, bracelets, and necklaces. I really need your support with this, the vast majority of pupils look exceptionally smart, but we have a small minority who are ignoring these expectations despite support being offered. Reasonable adjustments are made in a minority of cases, but this is discussed with parents and documented.

Yesterday we finished the term off with our whole school celebration assembly, it was brilliant to see so many pupils being recognised for their attitudes to learning, achievements, excellence and for the kindness they show others. I really enjoy moments like these, it's so important that everyone feels part of our community and supports each other. If your child takes part in extra-curricular activities outside of school and there's something you'd like us to celebrate please do let us know, we love to hear about everyone's achievements!

It is with great sadness that we said goodbye to Mrs Whitehead yesterday. She has supported so many children over the last 17 years in so many ways, she will be missed by so many. We wish her lots of love and luck.

Many thanks to our wonderful PTA for your continued support, we are blessed to have such an active team supporting us with so many fundraising activities.

Have a great bank holiday weekend, let's hope the weather improves! We look forward to welcoming your wonderful children back on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

Warm wishes  
Nicky Goodridge

More about all the activities occurring in and out of lessons at Test Valley School can be found on our Facebook page: Test Valley School, Twitter Feed: @testvalleysch and Instagram Account: testvalleyofficial. Reshares and likes are always appreciated!

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## Vacancies

Please see our website for current vacancies: [Test Valley School - Vacancies](#)

## Venue Hire

Do you require a room for a meeting or sports event? School facilities are available to hire outside of the school day. Please email [leisure@testvalley.hants.sch.uk](mailto:leisure@testvalley.hants.sch.uk) for all enquiries.

## Forthcoming Dates

**w/c 15<sup>th</sup> April**

### Week 1 Timetable

School Photographer – Year 11 (& new students) – **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April**

## Inspiring Future Teachers

[Test Valley School - Are you interested in becoming a teacher?](#)



## Congratulations

Beau Dowinton performed on stage at Wembley as part of the backing vocals for the Voice in a Million stage choir. He sang solos in front of 12000 people



## Key Stage 4

### *Easter Revision*

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 10:00am-2:00pm**

Animal Care – Component 2

English is running two additional revision sessions over the Easter holidays. These will be:

**Friday 5 April, 10.00 - 12:15pm**

**At School** (on-site) English Language paper 2, questions 4 & 5

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April, 10.00 - 12:15pm,**

**At School** (on-site) English Literature An Inspector Calls & Poetry comparison

We look forward to welcoming as many students who would like to attend and take advantage of an extra revision opportunity.

**Year 11 GCSE Self Study Programmes** have been emailed to Year 11 and put in the Year 11 MS Teams site ready to keep the exam preparation momentum going.

### Spring 2024 celebration assembly recognises for KS4

Freddie	Allsopp	10CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Josie	Cahill	10CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Tom	Hibberd	10CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Oliver	Levy-Clinkard	10CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Megan	Ross	10CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Ailsa	Shand	10CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Zack	Smith-Jones	10CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Eleanor	Yeo	10CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Cain	Fenton	10GR	100% class charts Spring 24	
Jack	Goodridge	10GR	100% class charts Spring 24	
Bethany	Halliden	10GR	100% class charts Spring 24	
Barney	George	10PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Evie	Kanarens	10PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Evie	Laurence	10PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Alfie	Murrell	10PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Elliot	White	10PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Rosie	White	10PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Grace	Clarke	11CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Holly	Gillhespy	11CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Sam	Judges	11CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Jemima	Liddiard	11CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Tyler	Ling	11CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
George	McMenemy	11CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Milly	Puxley-Brown	11CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Mollie	Shaw	11CE	100% class charts Spring 24	
Gergely	Balog	11GR	100% class charts Spring 24	
Hadya	Baqi	11GR	100% class charts Spring 24	
Josie	Bull	11GR	100% class charts Spring 24	
Harry	Glasspool	11GR	100% class charts Spring 24	
Adam	Lees	11GR	100% class charts Spring 24	

Liam	Ngan	11GR	100% class charts Spring 24	
Asha	Parsons	11GR	100% class charts Spring 24	
Iona	Shand	11GR	100% class charts Spring 24	
Kimberley	Turner	11GR	100% class charts Spring 24	
Holly	Whitfield	11GR	100% class charts Spring 24	
Sarah	Baylis	11PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Jack	Freeman	11PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Courtney	Michel	11PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
James	Paterson	11PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Ollie	Potter	11PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Lili Penelope	Russell	11PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Seren	Shirley	11PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Joao	Souza	11PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Ian	Trabinski	11PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Eleanor	Vessey	11PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Lily	Wilkinson	11PH	100% class charts Spring 24	
Avner	Cardoso	11PX	100% class charts Spring 24	
Sam	Clark	11PX	100% class charts Spring 24	
Daisy	Cole	11PX	100% class charts Spring 24	
Ollie	Eggleton	11PX	100% class charts Spring 24	
Keysha	Motlhabani	11PX	100% class charts Spring 24	
Asher	Paes	11PX	100% class charts Spring 24	
Aurelia	Richardson	11PX	100% class charts Spring 24	
Evie	Kanarens	10PH	100% Attendance	
McRyan	Kwarteng	10PH	100% Attendance	
Justin	May	10PH	100% Attendance	
Eleanor	Yeo	10CE	100% Attendance	
Josie	Bull	11GR	100% Attendance	
Avner	Cardoso	11PX	100% Attendance	
Holly	Gillhespy	11CE	100% Attendance	
Sam	Judges	11CE	100% Attendance	

Courtney	Michel	11PH	100% Attendance	
Keysha	Motlhabani	11PX	100% Attendance	
Asher	Paes	11PX	100% Attendance	
Mason	Readings	11GR	100% Attendance	
Joao	Souza	11PH	100% Attendance	
Lily	Wilkinson	11PH	100% Attendance	
Chloe	Witt	11CE	100% Attendance	
				<b>W/E</b>
Elliot	White	10PH	Student of the week Spring 24	05-Jan
Will	Weatherall	10CE	Student of the week Spring 24	05-Jan
Zack	Smith-Jones	10CE	Student of the week Spring 24	12-Jan
Oliver	Levy-Clinkard	10CE	Student of the week Spring 24	12-Jan
Ailsa	Shand	10CE	Student of the week Spring 24	19-Jan
Ben	Whitehead	10PH	Student of the week Spring 24	19-Jan
Tom	Hibberd	10CE	Student of the week Spring 24	26-Jan
Rosie	White	10PH	Student of the week Spring 24	26-Jan
Bethany	Halliden	10GR	Student of the week Spring 24	02-Feb
Evie	Kanarens	10PH	Student of the week Spring 24	02-Feb
Megan	Ross	10CE	Student of the week Spring 24	09-Feb
Josie	Cahill	10CE	Student of the week Spring 24	09-Feb
Cain	Fenton	10GR	Student of the week Spring 24	23-Feb
Luca	Valenti	10PH	Student of the week Spring 24	23-Feb
Jack	Goodridge	10GR	Student of the week Spring 24	01-Mar
Roman	Braharenko	10CE	Student of the week Spring 24	01-Mar
Eleanor	Yeo	10CE	Student of the week Spring 24	08-Mar
Niya	Gurung	10PH	Student of the week Spring 24	08-Mar
Freddie	Allsopp	10CE	Student of the week Spring 24	15-Mar
Olivia	Hopwood	10CE	Student of the week Spring 24	15-Mar
Sofia	Jingo	10CE	Student of the week Spring 24	22-Mar
Evie	Laurence	10PH	Student of the week Spring 24	22-Mar
Keysha	Motlhabani	11PX	Student of the week Spring 24	05-Jan

Sam	Judges	11CE	Student of the week Spring 24	05-Jan
Ella-Mai	Kane	11CE	Student of the week Spring 24	12-Jan
Jack	Freeman	11PH	Student of the week Spring 24	12-Jan
Mollie	Shaw	11CE	Student of the week Spring 24	19-Jan
Lily	Wilkinson	11PH	Student of the week Spring 24	19-Jan
Chloe	Woods	11PH	Student of the week Spring 24	26-Jan
Eleanor	Vessey	11PH	Student of the week Spring 24	26-Jan
Milly	Puxley-Brown	11CE	Student of the week Spring 24	02-Feb
Lucy	Turner	11CE	Student of the week Spring 24	02-Feb
Kimberley	Turner	11GR	Student of the week Spring 24	09-Feb
Luna	Almeida	11CE	Student of the week Spring 24	09-Feb
Hadya	Baqi	11GR	Student of the week Spring 24	23-Feb
Esther	Mabaire	11PX	Student of the week Spring 24	23-Feb
Dylan	Lyne	11PH	Student of the week Spring 24	01-Mar
Chloe	Woods	11PH	Student of the week Spring 24	01-Mar
Elle-Sky	Sturman	11CE	Student of the week Spring 24	08-Mar
Courtney	Michel	11PH	Student of the week Spring 24	08-Mar
Ruby	Court	11PX	Student of the week Spring 24	15-Mar
Rosie	Thompson	11CE	Student of the week Spring 24	15-Mar
Seren	Shirley	11PH	Student of the week Spring 24	22-Mar
Joao	Souza	11PH	Student of the week Spring 24	22-Mar

## Key Stage 3

### Year 9 – KS4 Options

Please remember to **complete your options form and return as soon as possible**, if you didn't come to the Year 9 Curriculum evening you can pick up your Options Form and information booklet from the School Office.

### Talking Futures Presentation

Following the Year 9 Curriculum evening and presentation on **Talking Futures**, by Enterprise M3 Careers Hub, we kindly request that you complete the **Parent/Carers feedback form**, using this link <https://forms.office.com/e/OSmdKD3ZXD>. It is very short and all anonymous.

## Sport/Physical Education



No prior rowing experience required

Applicants should ideally be 176cm (f) or 188cm (m) tall or over

### Rowing Taster Sessions

Finding the next generation of talent  
Southampton Coalporters Rowing Club  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April from 10am

For more information or to apply, email [ben.reed@britishrowing.org](mailto:ben.reed@britishrowing.org)



### Southampton Coalporters Rowing Club

#### Rowing taster sessions

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April from 10am  
Northam Road, Southampton, SO14 0QE

The chance to experience rowing for yourself

- Free of charge
- No rowing experience necessary
- Applicants should ideally be over 176cm (f) or 188cm (m)
- See if you could be the next star for GB

For info or to apply, email [ben.reed@britishrowing.org](mailto:ben.reed@britishrowing.org)



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COLLEGE

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Dancers aged 14+

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**JOIN IN WITH CLASSES, MEET THE TEACHERS AND LEARN MORE ABOUT THE COURSE**

April 12th 10am- 3.30pm at DM Studios



**RCO** International Organ Day

**Saturday 20th April**

As part of International Play The Organ Day, piano/keyboard players of all ages are invited to experience playing the organ at the following sessions:

- 10.00am - St Mary's, Longstock
- 11.00am - St Peter's, Stockbridge
- 12.00pm - St Mary's, Broughton
- 1.30pm - St Andrew's, Mottisfont
- 2.30pm - Romsey Abbey

Please get in touch with Sarah at:  
[sarah@seymourartandmusic.co.uk](mailto:sarah@seymourartandmusic.co.uk)  
07833 300504  
to find our more and arrange a time to play.

## College Information

There is information on our website regarding forthcoming College open events, including dates and how to book a place.

**Salisbury 6<sup>th</sup> Form College:** [Test Valley School - Salisbury 6th Form College](#)

**Peter Symonds College:** [Test Valley School - Peter Symonds College](#)

**Andover College:** [Test Valley School - Andover College](#)

### **Sparsholt College**

Sparsholt College's next open event on Wednesday 1 May 2024  
(Slots between 5.30pm – 7pm) .

To attend, your students will need to register for the event **as soon as possible** by visiting [Experience Sparsholt - Sparsholt College Hampshire](#) as **our events do fill up quickly!** At this event students will have a tour of the subject area they are interested in at a specific time which they will book in advance.

**Also, it is not too late to apply to Sparsholt College as applications are still open and students can apply by visiting the Sparsholt website or by using [How to Apply - Sparsholt College and University Centre Sparsholt](#).**

## Future Events



# ENGINEERING APPRENTICESHIPS 2024 RECRUITMENT CLINICS

- Tues 5 March
  - Wed 24 April
  - Thurs 16 May
  - Tues 11 June
- 4.30 - 6pm **Booking advised**

#### Why attend?

- Join us at one of our Recruitment Clinics to provide practical support & guidance to anyone from Year 11 upwards wishing to apply for an engineering apprenticeship starting in September 2024 (parents are welcome too).
- Come along to discuss the current vacancies, what the roles involve & get guidance on writing a great application!

#### Who should attend?

- Anyone looking for an engineering apprenticeship starting in September 2024
- School or College leavers in 2024
- Those just thinking about a change in career, this event is for you!

#### Where is it taking place?

SETA Apprenticeship Centre,  
First Avenue, Millbrook,  
Southampton, SO15 0LJ

[www.seta-training.co.uk](http://www.seta-training.co.uk) [info@seta-training.co.uk](mailto:info@seta-training.co.uk)

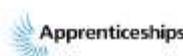
#### REGISTER ONLINE:



<https://www.setatraining.co.uk/seta/events-recruitment-clinic.html>



**Supporting Tomorrow's Engineers**



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[New Maudsley Training Course Dates \(charliewaller.org\)](http://charliewaller.org)

[Supporting a child with an eating problem \(charliewaller.org\)](http://charliewaller.org)



# £500

## to help improve health & wellbeing in Hampshire

- Aged 13-21 and living in Hampshire?
- Are you passionate about health & wellbeing?
- Want £500 to spend on a project to help improve health and wellbeing in your community?

We are looking for passionate young people with an idea to help improve health & wellbeing experiences for people in Hampshire.

Apply now for £500 grant money to help make your idea a reality & receive support from Unloc to make it happen.



 **APPLY NOW**

**P.A.C.E. (Parent, Carer and Professionals Events)**

A free event to help families better understand the needs and difficulties that young people can face and how to manage potential issues/concerns they have about their young person.

**P.A.C.E.**  
2024

MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup>

TESTBOURNE SCHOOL, MICHELDEVER RD,  
WHITCHURCH, RG28 7JF

11TH MAR  
2024



## **'Understanding and Supporting your child with Low Mood' workshop**

Further to the successful pilot of our parent workshop: 'Understanding and Supporting your child with Low Mood' in September 2023, we are looking to roll this out further as part of our Whole School Approach offer. As a service we will be offering this workshop digitally once per term for any parents/carers who you feel may benefit.

The workshop will be mostly informative, with some optional opportunities for discussion, input and questions via the digital chat function. You will not need to have your video-camera or microphone on for the workshop. The workshop aims to upskill parents and carers to understand low mood and depression, the signs and symptoms of this in young people, and provide some simple skills and strategies for you to take away and use to support your young person who may be struggling with their mood.

Please see below the Zoom details to share with parents/carers who you feel may benefit from attending the workshop.

The workshop will take place as follows:

**Date:** Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2024

**Time:** 9am-10:30 am

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Location:** Zoom Webinar, details below:

Mental Health Support Team SouthEast is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

**Topic:** Parent Low Mood Workshop

**Time:** Apr 2, 2024 09:00 AM London

**Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://spft-nhs-uk.zoom.us/j/94454415114?pwd=ZjNDNVZmb1orVTdaS3ZZcTBJQWd3UT09>

**Meeting ID:** 944 5441 5114

**Passcode:** 790525

# Raring2go

The go-to guide for you and your child

The cover features a large purple '2 go!' logo on the left. At the top right, there are three small preview images with their respective page numbers: 'Sustrans Big Walk & Wheel P9', 'Raring2read P19', and 'Raring2make P26'. The main image shows a young child in a blue and white striped dress and bright yellow rubber boots, crouching on a gravel path to look at three yellow rubber ducks. The background is a soft-focus green field with purple flowers. A green banner at the top right of the main image says 'SPRING 2024'. At the bottom, a green banner contains the text 'MAGAZINE & WEBSITE' and 'THE GO-TO GUIDE FOR YOU AND YOUR CHILD'. Below the banner, the website 'raring2go.co.uk' is on the left and 'SPRING 2024' is on the right.

**2 go!**  
Raring2go!

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raring2go.co.uk SPRING 2024

## Year 11 Prom!

### Prom Outfit Event - Unit 12 Community Clothes Pantry, Winchester

Please forward to anyone that may find this useful. We hope to make sure all students are able to go to Prom looking and feeling great, regardless of their financial situation.

**Friday April 5<sup>th</sup> 2pm – 4pm**

Unit 12

Winnall Valley Road

Winchester

SO23 0LD

Come along and borrow a dress, a suit and accessories. We have over 100 outfits and our collection keeps growing!

Free of Charge!

If you have any questions please contact me on this email or Lara the Community Clothes Pantry Manager on [ccp@unit-12.com](mailto:ccp@unit-12.com).

**COMMUNITY  
CLOTHES  
PANTRY**

**Prom Goers - 2024!**  
**Open to All Schools**

Do you need a Special outfit?

You can borrow a dress, suit and  
accessories

At Unit 12 Winnall Valley Road  
SO23 0LD

**Friday April 5th**  
**2pm-4pm**

Contact Lara: [ccp@unit-12.com](mailto:ccp@unit-12.com)

Have a concern about you or  
someone else?



***At Test Valley we are committed to building an engaging inclusive environment where success and excellence is experienced by all. We will achieve this by ensuring:***

## **KINDNESS**

We always show care, respect and consideration for each other. Test Valley is a warm, welcoming and safe place for all.

## **RESILIENCE**

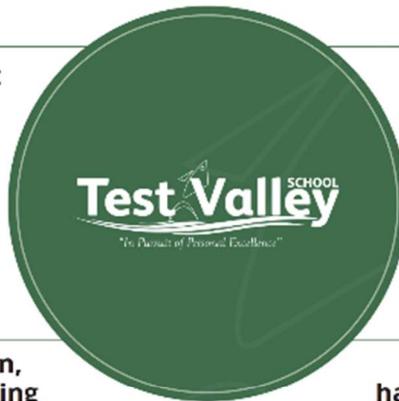
We show courage by not giving in, challenging ourselves, stepping out of our comfort zones and not fearing failure.

## **EXCELLENCE**

We are relentlessly determined to strive for the best in all we do; developing excellent learning habits which help us to grow.

## **EMPOWERMENT**

We help pupils to evolve into happy, independent, knowledge rich citizens who have the skills to make a real difference in our ever changing world.



***In pursuit of personal excellence you must dream big work hard and make it happen.***