

27TH MAY 2021

A Message From Mr Lillo

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the end of Summer Term 1 and what a busy term it has been! We have seen some changes around the school and it has been lovely to see the children back in the Dinner Hall at lunchtime and parents allowed back in the playgrounds before and after school. Please do remember not to cross from one playground to another in Key Stage 1, but rather to walk around to the entrance via Sandown/Oakley Roads. Please wear a face covering unless you are exempt and ensure that children do not play on the climbing frames.

Please remember to social distance where possible and book a PCR test via <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> if you or your child display any symptoms of COVID over half term.

The weather seems to finally be looking up. The sunshine has brought smiles across the school today - long may it continue! Wishing you all a relaxing and sunny half term break. See you in Summer Term 2 for the final term of the year!

Glenn and the Ryelands Team

Spelling Shed

This week's spelling shed class league table:

- 1st place- Owl Class
- 2nd place - Woodpecker Class
- 3rd place - Raven Class

This week's individual spelling shed league table:

- 1st place - Arfa, Owl
- 2nd place - Thara, Owl
- 3rd place - Angela, Owl

Maths Shed

This week's Maths shed class league table:

- 1st place - Owl Class
- 2nd place - Raven Class
- 3rd place - Woodpecker Class

This week's individual Maths shed league table:

- 1st place - Dinushanth, Raven
- 2nd place - Dithusha, Owl
- 3rd place - Ayub, Raven

Class Attendance This Week

Robin	85.7%	Wren	93.9%
Sparrow	98.2%	Starling	97.5%
Chaffinch	96.6%	Goldfinch	94.6%
Kingfisher	98.6%	Woodpecker	93.8%
Magpie	99.1%	Owl	97.9%
Heron	85.1%	Raven	96.3%
Eagle	97%	Hawk	97.3%
School Weekly Total:	95.2%	School Year to Date:	96.5%



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This Week's Adventures

Nursery: The Nursery children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about dinosaurs this week. We imagined what it would be like to live in a world full of dinosaurs millions of years ago! We looked at the features of a variety of dinosaurs, and found out whether they were carnivores or herbivores. We learnt many of their names but some of them were very difficult to pronounce! We looked at dinosaur fossils and foot prints and we made footprint printing patterns.

Reception: This week in Reception, we have been delighted to open our gates to our parents for our 'Outdoor Stay and Play' sessions. It has been wonderful to see the parents get to enjoy exploring our outdoor area with their child. Thank you to all that attended.

Alongside our Stay and Play sessions, we have enjoyed thinking about what we would like to do when we grow up. The children have impressed us with their big dreams and ambitions and it has been amazing to see how inspired they all are by the adults in their lives. In maths we have re-visited addition and subtraction, focusing on number bonds to 10 and using concrete objects within our maths equations.

Year 1: It has been a fantastic week in Year 1! We had another trip to the Country Park as part of our science lesson, and children went on a tree hunt. They have been observing the leaves and decided which trees are deciduous and which are evergreen. We have used the leaves collected to make beautiful collages in our art lesson. This week was the "Love for Reading Week" and we have planned our English lessons around familiar, Julia Donaldson books. Children practised their writing skills by retelling a different story every day. All the adults in Year 1 were very proud of the children's writing as they went above and beyond when retelling these stories. In Maths, we have continued learning about money and children did lots of practical activities adding and subtracting money. Sparrows and Starlings ended the week with the cake sale to raise money for charity to support Uganda. This was part of our Geography topic for the spring term, but had to be postponed.

Year 2: This week, Year 2 have written up their writing about Vincent Van Gogh's *The Starry Night*. We thought about what it might feel like to step into a painting and steal a star... We also continued to learn the column method for addition and subtraction, learnt about Christian baptisms, the impact healthy eating and exercise can have on our bodies and on the last day, we got creative and used powder paint to recreate Van Gogh's painting. What a week Year 2! Well done and enjoy your break.

Year 3: This week Year 3 have thoroughly enjoyed celebrating "The Love of Reading" by having a guest reader in reciting poetry from the book "Hot Like Fire" by Valerie Bloom. They themselves have recited and performed the poetry and gotten to grips with the language. In maths we have looked at word problems involving multiplication and division using the bar method. The children have also had a fabulous time in PE creating precise movement within dance, learning sequencing and methods to the likes of Mozart and other such artists.

Year 4: This week Year 4 have been learning all about how to problem solve in maths. They have been exploring how to use different strategies to consolidate their reasoning skills. As well as this, they have been working hard on creating their mechanical stories. Magpie and Owl class have constructed their stories based on traditional tales and have used split pins to bring their work to life.

Year 5: Year 5 have greatly enjoyed writing suspense narratives based upon *The Nowhere Emporium*. They invented their own "Wonders" and used suspense techniques to make their writing thrilling. During our Maths lessons this week, we have spent time consolidating our understanding of decimals and long multiplication. In Art, we have finished our final pieces which is a cityscape based upon the artwork of Simon Hopkinson. We used our knowledge of colour theory to create dramatic final pieces.

Year 6: Year 6 have been looking at the circulatory system in Science, learning the importance of oxygen to survival and how it is transported around the body through red blood cells and the importance of white blood cells. In Maths, we have looked at the properties of circles before ending the week with interpreting pie charts, the children have worked extremely hard with this difficult skill. We have had a strong PSHE focus in the last week, starting with our 'No Outsiders' book - *The Island*. We also looked at extremism and radicalisation, discussing steps we could take as individuals to help prevent these things in our communities. We also completed our Art project; completing self portraits in the style of Frida Kahlo. The children continue to show their outstanding skills as artists.

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Dates For Your Diaries

Date	Event
Thurs 27th May	Non-Uniform Day to raise money for Oasis Football For Life Charity - £1 per child Last day of term
Fri 28th May	INSET Day
Mon 31st May - Friday 4th June	Half Term break
Mon 7th June	Return to school
Wed 9th - Thurs 10th June	Olympic Dance Workshop - Y1 to Y6

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