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A Message From Mr Lillo

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic week in school!

A very special well done to our Reception children for completing their first three full weeks in school. I am very pleased to say that the children are very settled and have adapted to school routines brilliantly.

During our learning walks this week, the school feels alive with such a buzz of activity. Our learning environments and class displays are looking amazing and it's great to see some of the children's learning on display. We are proud to see the exemplary behaviour for learning that the children are showing - they really are a true credit to you all!

Please do remember that staff are available should you have any concerns at all, please do speak to us. Please telephone or email the academy office.

Have a wonderful weekend

Glenn and the Ryelands Team

Attendance

We believe that ALL our pupils should be given the best chance to do well in life. We know that coming to school on time, every day, is important if your child is to get the best start. There is a clear link between good attendance and good results, and we want to work together with you to achieve this by:

Encouraging all pupils to arrive on time, ready to learn

Talking to each other if there is a problem causing your child to miss school

Recognising and rewarding good attendance

Encouraging you to play a vital role in supporting our school and helping your child to succeed - Working with us to achieve our attendance target which is 98%

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD ATTENDS SCHOOL EVERYDAY AND IS ON TIME.

Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening will take place on Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th October.

Bookings will be made on MCAS, so please ensure you have downloaded the app and activated your account. We will send out a message to know when you can go on to book.

Community Tea

On Thursday 21st October at 2pm, we will be holding our annual Community Tea. If you have any elderly members of your family or local community who you feel would benefit from a Harvest parcel and / or attending our Community Tea, please complete the form at the end of this newsletter or email the relevant information to office@oasisryelands.org with HARVEST in the subject line.

The tea party will be hosted by our Year 6 prefects while the entertainment will be provided by the Early Years and Year 1 pupils.

It would be great to see lots of members of the community come together for this lovely event.

REMINDER

Friday 22nd October is INSET Day

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Academy MPs

Our successful Academy MPs is a well-respected body within the school and consists of 12 pupils between Years 2 and 6. The chosen MPs were selected in a democratic vote to have the role to be the voice of their year group. They will be required to relaying pupil voice from their year group to the academy SLT and vice versa. Children participated in voting for their Academy MP last Friday and the chosen children are:

Eagle - Laila

Hawk - James

Heron - Zara

Raven - Arfa

Owl - Mikhail

Magpie - Jack

Woodpecker - Sia

Kingfisher - Sophia

Chaffinch - Novah

Goldfinch - Etta

Well done to all the children who applied.

Year 4 Local Area Walk

Year 4 had a brilliant time on our historical sight seeing tour of South Norwood this week. Everyone learnt something new about different places in our local area and significant pieces of history that have affected our lives today including learning about William Stanley and Samuel Coleridge Taylor. We all felt very proud to be from somewhere with such a diverse multicultural history and are very thankful to the grown-ups who came with us and shared some of their knowledge of historical sites in South Norwood too.

Orienteering Festival

On Wednesday, Miss Hannon and Ms White took a group of children from Year 5 and Year 6 to Lloyd Park to take part in an Orienteering Festival. The children completed a variety of games based around developing map skills which culminated in an exciting Orienteering challenge across the whole of the park. The children worked together incredibly well as a team and lots of fun was had by all!

National Online Safety Parent/Carers App Keeping our children safe!

Please take a moment to download this app (it's free) to get expert advice. If the online world confuses you, this is the app to help us ALL keep up to date. We are ALL responsible for the safety of our child/ren online.

https://neg-production.s3-eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/file_download_repository/0904fda671be38dd80c1737891febede.pdf

School Uniform and Property

Please make sure all children's uniform and belongings are named. We have no way of reuniting lost property unless it has your child's name on it.

Attendance

Over a school year, we are due to be open for 190 days which equates to 380 sessions with registration in the morning at 09:00 and after lunch in the afternoon. Attendance is affected if a pupil is not present at school for any whole session including registration.

Attendance Target: 98%

Attendance This Week: 95.8%

Attendance This Year: 95.9%

Registers are taken up to 10 minutes after the school gates close at 09:00. It is important that the children are at school on time every day to prevent disruption and upset to their day and for the rest of their class.

Pupils Late This Week: 39 pupils

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Applying for Free School Meals

If your child qualifies for free school meals, it's important that you tell their school – even if they take a packed lunch – as this enables them to claim pupil premium and provide your child with additional support and opportunities. A reminder that the eligibility for free school meals is if parent(s) are in receipt of any of the following:

- Income Support Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than an annual gross income of no more than £16,190
- £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Registering for free school meals, whilst your child is primary school age, could still have significant financial benefits for you, depending on the school you attend. Check your eligibility go to <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/link2ict>

COVID-19

As you are aware, Covid-19 guidelines have changed. Your child does NOT have to remain at home if anybody in your household either has Covid-19 symptoms or tests positive. If somebody in your household does test positive however, we strongly advise that your child then has a PCR test. Please also remember that your child should not be sent in to school if they show the main Covid-19 symptoms (new and persistent cough, temperature and/or loss of sense of taste or smell) and a PCR test should then be booked. We thank you for your ongoing cooperation regarding this situation.

The government has announced that parents and carers of primary age children can access rapid lateral flow testing. Regular testing of people without symptoms is important to help stop the spread of the virus, protect loved ones and is in the interest of public safety. More information can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff>

Further guidance can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

New Reception Open Days

We are holding the below Open Days for parents / carers of children who are applying for Reception places for September 2022. Please pass this information on to anyone who may be interested.

Monday 27th September
09:30-10:30

Saturday 9th October
10:30-11:30
and
12:00-13:30

Wednesday 20th October
09:30-10:30

Thursday 11th November
13:30-14:30

Friday 26th November
09:30-10:30

Tuesday 14th December
13:30-14:30

To book a place on one of our Open Days, please email office@oasisryelands.org or call 020 8656 4165.

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Wellbeing Tip of the Week

It is lovely to see so many children who are happy and have settled well into school. If your child is ever worried or anxious, please let your child's class teacher know or your Phase Leader.

Keeping a Healthy Lifestyle

One of the ways we can ensure we are looking after our wellbeing, is by taking care of our physical health. After all, a healthy body leads to a healthy mind! Here are some ideas to help us with this:

- Get your exercise – even just 30 minutes a day of active movement keeps our muscles and joints and healthy and boosts our mood.
- Eat a balanced diet – Eating foods with higher nutritional value, such as fruit, vegetables, nuts and seeds, rather than ultra-processed sugary foods, helps us maintain a healthy immune system and increase our energy levels.
- Stay hydrated – Since our bodies are made up from 60% of water, we must remember to stay hydrated each day. We should be aiming to drink up to 2 litres (6 - 8 glasses) each day.
- Prioritise your sleep – Not getting enough sleep can have a huge impact on our wellbeing, it can lead to negative thoughts and low mood. Aim to get 7-9 hours of sleep. If you're having trouble dosing off, keep your bedtime routine free of screen time.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Tues 5th October	Second Hand Uniform Sale - Infant Playground
Thurs 7th October	Pants Are Private Parent Safeguarding Workshop 2:30-3:30pm
Fri 8th October	Hello Yellow Day - Wear yellow, donate £1
Sat 9th October	Open Day 10:30-11:30 and 12:00-1:00
Tues 12th October	Open Day 9:30-10:30
Weds 13th October	Parents' Evening - 3:40-5:50pm Please note change of date
Thurs 14th October	Parents' Evening - 3:40-6:50pm Please note change of date
Tues 19th October	Show Racism The Red Card - Wear red in support, donate £1
Weds 20th October	Open day 09:30-10:30 Harvest Festival practice @ St. Luke's Church (PM)
Thurs 21st October	Harvest Festival @ St. Luke's Church AM Community Tea Last day of term
Fri 22nd October	INSET Day
Mon 25th November - Fri 29th November	Half Term
Mon 1st November	All children return to school

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Maths Shed

This week's Maths shed class league table:

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

This week's individual Maths shed league table:

- 1st place - Kayla, Owl
- 2nd place - Dithusha, Raven
- 3rd place - Grace, Raven

Spelling Shed

This week's spelling shed class league table:

- 1st place - Raven Class (4th in the county!)
- 2nd place - Owl Class
- 3rd place - Hawk Class

This week's individual spelling shed league table:

- 1st place - Arfa, Raven
- 2nd place - Thara, Raven
- 3rd place - Chloe, Woodpecker

Stars of the Week

We are currently transitioning from ICARE, to the Oasis 9 Habits. This means that children can be nominated for one of the ICARE values, or one of the 9 Habits each week until October half term.

Robin	Dexter - Hopeful
Wren	Caleb - Humble
Sparrow	Jaden - Self-Controlled
Starling	Manuela - Considerate
Chaffinch	Oskar - Joyful
Goldfinch	Yusuf - Hopeful
Kingfisher	lessiah - Joyful
Woodpecker	Kavari - Joyful
Magpie	Kaden - Patient
Owl	Amelia - Hopeful
Heron	Kayden - Hopeful Zion - Enjoyment
Raven	Myleene - Hopeful
Eagle	Joao - Joyful
Hawk	Medine - Joyful
Pupil Choice	Alice chose Maria in Magpie - Considerate Max chose Rayniah in Raven - Patient





Toddlers Together

Wednesday's

9.30-11am

Oasis Academy Ryelands

Oakley Road, South Norwood

(Enter via the Sandown Road entrance)

- Term time only
- Based in the school Dining Hall
 - 0 months- 3 years
- 50p donation per child per session
- £1 donation per adult per session
 - Refreshments available
- Children must be supervised by the adult that brings them
- Wide range of activities to do with your child
- A broad range of toys and resources for your child to explore

For further details and information contact

Miss Clare or Mrs Carew

Oasis Academy Ryelands,
Oakley Road

02086564165

office@oasisryelands.org



Parents and carers

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Thursday 7th October 2021, from 2.30 – 3.20 pm, the school safeguarding team will be running the first of a series of parent workshops aimed at protecting and promoting the well-being of your child.

Please come and join us in the main hall to look at ways to teach your child that

'Pants are Private'



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Harvest Festival

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27th September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

On Thursday, 21st October we will be holding our annual **Harvest Festival** for children, at **St Luke's Church**. Parents and carers are most welcome to attend and watch the children acting and singing. The festival will be followed by an afternoon tea, in school. We ask children to nominate grandparents, older neighbours or family members that they know would benefit from a Harvest parcel or would like to attend our Harvest Tea on the afternoon of the **21st October at 2pm**. The tea party will be hosted by our Year 6 prefects while the entertainment will be provided by the Early Years and Year 1 pupils.

We want to give the children a sense of caring for others through donating Harvest gifts. Please support us by donating some tinned/packet food or fresh fruit or vegetables for the day. The packed /tinned food can be donated any time until the 20th of October, whereas fresh fruits and vegetables can be brought in on the morning of the festival or one day before.

Please complete the form below if you would like to nominate someone for either a parcel or to attend the Harvest Tea or both. Please return the slip below to the office by **Monday 4th October**, or email office@oasisryelands.org with the information requested below with HARVEST in the subject line. It would be great to see more members of the community come together for this enjoyable event.

Yours sincerely,



Cecilia Saftoiu
Cultural Coordinator

Oasis Academy Ryelands Harvest Festival – Thursday 21st October 2021

I would like to nominate (name): _____

- * To attend the Harvest Tea **and** receive a Harvest parcel
 - * To receive a parcel only
- (Please delete as appropriate)

Full address of person being nominated: _____

Nominating child's name: _____ Class: _____

Principal - Glenn Lillo

Please ensure you have asked permission of the person being nominated before providing their details. Names and addresses will only be kept until the invitations are posted and will then be destroyed.

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Tuesday 5th October 2021

6pm – 8.30pm



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