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A Message From Mr Lillo

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have now reached the half-way point in the school year and so much seems to have happened since September. We have had another busy week at Ryelands with visitors delivering workshops for the children and an Oasis inspector coming to see the work we have been doing. The children impressed all these visitors and the Oasis inspector commented on the exemplary behaviour for learning she saw in the classrooms she visited.

While we are still battling the impact of Covid on school life we are starting to edge closer back to normality and hope that, as we move into the warmer months, we will be able to invite you all back into school to share learning and experiences.

We hope you have a restful break.

Glenn and the Ryelands Team

Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday this week we celebrated Safer Internet Day. The theme this year was 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'.



Children across the school completed a range of activities in their classrooms to challenge them to understand how to foster supportive relationships and create respectful communities online, whilst also being equipped with the skills they need to keep themselves and others safe in these spaces. In addition to that, there was a parent workshop on Monday morning to support parents in finding resources in order to keep children safe online. Please use the following link for further information about how to support your family and find some activities you can do at home to begin discussions about staying safe online:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2022/advice-for-parents-and-carers>

Half Term Kindness Challenge

The charity 52 Lives, who visited Ryelands last week, are inviting children to take part in their five-day Kindness Challenge to help celebrate Random Acts of Kindness Week (14-20 February). Each day, they will be tasked with doing a specific kind activity and writing about how they felt when they did it. Not only will they be helping other people, they will also be helping themselves... because when we are kind it helps to improve our own physical and mental health. Challenges involve being a secret spreader of kindness, thanking others and finding ways to be kind to yourself. If you would like to take part, please visit: [Kindness Challenge - School of Kindness](#)



Ryelands' Got Talent

This week the children have been showcasing their many talents. We've seen singing, dancing, playing of instruments and routines going on all over the school! Each class put forward their finalists to perform in the grand finale. Each act was recorded and played to the school on Friday before the final winner was selected through a democratic vote. This year's winner is our Year 6 dance group: Sarai, Ayuanna, Jamilah, Laila-Kay, Jayda and Jemimah.
2nd Place went to Georgia and Coco.
3rd Place went to King.
Well done and thank you to everyone who took part.

Times Tables

Please get ready for the Times Tables Competition that will be taking place in KS2. The children will need to prepare over the half term and be confident in all their times tables up to 12 x 12. During the first week back, each class will choose one representative from each House to go through to the finals on the 28th February. Good luck!

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Girls' Football Week

This week has been Girls' Football Week and girls in Years 3 to 6 have enjoyed morning football sessions with Coach Marcus where they have developed their ball skills, played games and most importantly, had fun. This Wednesday, some of the Year 6 girls participated in a local football tournament. This took place at Crystal Palace training ground against 23 other school teams. Four goals were scored in total and the team came 4th out of six teams. Oasis Academy Ryelands did very well and represented our school in a positive manner. They were supportive of other teams and, even if they lost, shook hands with the other players showing great sportsmanship to all. Well done to all the team members: Sarai, Laila, Sofia, Evelene, Ayuanna, Ria, Jamilah and Greta.



World Book Day 2022

World Book Day will be celebrated on Thursday 3rd March. This special reading event is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. The theme this year is 'You are a Reader'. With this in mind, we would like to invite children to come to school dressed as a book character and, where possible, bring the book with that character in to share with their friends.



While dressing up is a fun part of World Book Day, that's not why we celebrate it. The main aim of the day is to encourage children to explore different genres and develop a passion for reading. We will have lots of fabulous book-related activities planned for the day for your child to enjoy. Please visit the official World Book Day site for more information: www.worldbookday.com

Year 6 Residential Meeting

Finally, we are able to confirm arrangements for the Year 6 residential visit for this July. There will be a meeting to share details and answer any questions, on Tuesday 22nd February at 3.45pm. This meeting will be held in the main hall, in real life, with real people! We're looking forward to seeing you there.

Mrs Francis and Mr Morgan

Year 2 Victorian Experience Day

As part of Year 2's Victorian learning journey, we are going to dress up like Victorians and have a (small) taste of what life could have been like at school in the Victorian era. Please come to school dressed like a Victorian on **Friday 25th February**. You can find ideas and inspiration for an outfit online. Perhaps you will come dressed ready for school in a dark coloured dress with an apron on top (to protect it), or maybe you will wear long shorts, socks, a waistcoat and a jacket!

Idling Action Workshop

On Tuesday, Years 4, 5 and 6 were lucky enough to take part in workshops run by the charity Idling Action London. Their aim is to stop vehicle idling (parking and keeping the engine running) throughout London to improve air quality and help the environment. The children learned all about the dangers of vehicle idling, including the worrying fact that for every minute a car is idling, it produces 150 balloons worth of pollution! Throughout the day, the children produced posters to stop vehicle idling, and these will eventually be made into a banner to display outside of the school. What's more, at the end of the school day, a group of Year 5 children also got the chance to become activists and engage with the public. They approached cars that were idling and asked them politely to turn off their engines, ensuring they educated the drivers about the dangers of idling. The children all did a fantastic job and the volunteers from the charity and from Croydon council commented on how brilliantly the children were representing the cause. Thank you to everyone involved and to all the members of the public who greeted us all with a smile and pledged to change their ways!

Chinese Dragon Dance Workshop - Part 2

This Wednesday, the other classes got to take part in the Chinese Dragon Workshop. The children enjoyed creating a dance performance involving a traditional Chinese dragon, parasols and fans. This workshop was organised to help celebrate Chinese New Year and enhance the children's learning in RE and PE.



Friends Of Ryelands (FOR)

Random Acts of Kindness Week

As you will have read earlier in the newsletter, next week is Random Acts of Kindness Week. Friends of Ryelands would love to see what random acts of kindness our super kiddos can do. Take pictures, draw or write the kind things you do and remember to thank others for their kindness too. Hand in your pieces of evidence to the office when we come back to school on 21st February to go on display at school.

Olio Champion

We are looking for some Olio champions. Olio is an app that connects spare food to champions who can dish them out. We would love to have this at Ryelands to help prevent food waste and save pennies for our families. Please get in touch with Friends of Ryelands if you can help.

Donations Needed

Do you have a clothes rail at home that you no longer need? We would love to take it off of your hands if you want to get rid of it! We are also in need of some storage shelves or drawers if you have any you don't need.

Allotment Volunteers Needed

We would love some help at our allotment over half term - any day, any time you can offer would be such a help!

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Eco Art Competition

The children took part in a fantastic art competition geared towards bringing an environmentally friendly approach to art. We received such an incredible response across all year groups. Children used a variety of techniques and textures from recycled materials to produce eye catching collages, models, landscapes, and sea life. It has been wonderful to receive all the art projects, a variety of art pieces will be displayed around the school for everyone to appreciate. Well done to all the contestants who took part!



Jayden, Heron Class,
Dove House



Daphne, Chaffinch Class,
Diversity House



Kavari, Woodpecker Class,
House of Bear



Rosie, Sparrow Class, Usain Bolt
House



Eloise, Chaffinch Class, Usain Bolt



Mikhail, Owl Class



Sia, Woodpecker Class



Milena, Owl Class



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Maths Shed

This week's Maths shed class league table:

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

This week's individual Maths shed league table:

- 1st place - Robin, Hawk
- 2nd place - Rolando, Heron
- 3rd place - Kayla, Owl

Spelling Shed

This week's spelling shed class league table:

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

This week's individual spelling shed league table:

- 1st place - Wolfgang, Hawk
- 2nd place - Arfa, Magpie
- 3rd place - Kayla, Owl

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: 94.9% Attendance This Year: 95.1%

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: 52 pupils

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 - Joyful
Wren	Skylar - Hopeful
Sparrow	Kayden - Patient
Starling	Ida - Humble
Chaffinch	Musa - Compassionate
Goldfinch	Clara - Considerate and Joyful
Kingfisher	Arian - Joyful
Woodpecker	Zayd - Self-controlled
Magpie	Jeneque - Joyful
Owl	Sheldon - Hopeful
Heron	Zara - Humble
Raven	Whole Class! - Considerate
Eagle	Tishaun - Patient
Hawk	Amenita - Considerate



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Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Mon 14th - Fri 18th Feb	Half Term Holiday
Mon 21st Feb	All children return to school
Tues 22nd Feb	Y6 Residential Meeting - Main Hall 15:45
Fri 25th Feb	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check Meeting 9:00
Mon 28th Feb	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Meeting 14:45
Thurs 3rd March	World Book Day - Character Dress Up
Fri 11th March	Mental health and Wellbeing Workshop 14:00
Tues 15th March	Parent Workshop: SALT 14:30
Fri 25th March	Year 2 SATs Meeting 14:15
Weds 30th March	Year 3 & 4 Bike training
Fri 8th April	Last day of term. Normal finishing time. Nursery PM - 15:30, Reception, Year 1&2 - 15:20, Years 3-6 - 15:25
Mon 11th April - Fri 22nd April	Easter Holiday
Mon 25th April	All children return to school

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Final Reminder to book onto our Girls only Soccer Schools!



PALACE FOR LIFE
FOUNDATION

[Girls & Women's Football Courses | Palace For Life Foundation](#)

During the February half term we will be at the Kent County Cricket Club in Beckenham and Harris Academy Purley.

Our Girls only Soccer Schools have been specially designed by coaches at Palace for Life Foundation and Crystal Palace FC to provide the best football experience for female players in South London. The courses run during the school holidays from 9:00am to 4:00pm for Children in Year 2-Year 8, and are open to all ranges of ability and footballing experience.

Our Soccer Schools provide a fun and enjoyable experience to learn new skills, play in competitions and make friends! As well as improving as a footballer, each child will learn vital social skills. Children will be coached by FA and UEFA licenced coaches with vast and different areas of expertise.

Please book early to avoid any disappointment as numbers are limited.

We look forward to seeing your daughter there!

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Workshop	Lead	Date
E-Safety: Keeping Safe Online	Lucinda Cooke & Collette Johnston	Monday 7 th February 2022 - 09:00
Multiplication Tables Check (Year 4)	Collette Johnston & Peter Morgan	Friday 25 th February 2022 – 09:00
Phonics Screening Check Information Meeting for Year 1 Parents/Carers	Year 1 teachers and Emily Carew	Monday 28 th February 2022 14:45 – 15:15
Mental Health and Wellbeing	Louise Eaves	Friday 11 th March 2022 at 14:00
SEND – Speech and Language focus	Louise Champion	Tuesday 15 th March 2022 - 14:30 -15:15
SATs Meeting KS1 – Year 2 - 14:15-14:45 KS2 – Year 6 - 14:45-15:15	KS1 – Beth Cutter & Collette Johnston KS2 – Samantha Francis & Peter Morgan	Friday 25 th March 2022 KS1 14:15 – 14:45 KS2 14:45 – 15:15
Domestic Violence	Louise Eaves	Thursday 19 th May 2022 at 14:30
SEND – Zones of Regulation focus	Louise Champion & Kris Wallace	Tuesday 7 th June 2022 14:30-15:15
Transitions and Behaviour	Louise Eaves	Thursday 9 th June 2022 at 14:30
Reception - New Parents Meeting	Emily Carew	Thursday 16 th June 2022 time TBC

Family Disco Fun This February Half Term

Thursday 17th February 2022

4-7pm

Stanley Arts, South Norwood, SE25 6AB

A family friendly daytime disco with DJ Clee-J - dancing, games, sweets, prizes, snow machine, bubbles and lots of other silliness. It's fun for all the family.

Hot food, snacks and drinks available at the bar so you don't have to worry about teatime either! Join us for some family disco fun this half-term. We can't wait to see you on the dance floor.

Under 12s Ticket – £6

Adults age 13+ Ticket – £3

OR Family Ticket – £18 (1 adult, max 3 under 12s)

[Click here for tickets and more info](#)



Monthly Virtual Coffee Mornings



We have the exciting opportunity to work with SENDIASS Kids to provide support for or parents / carers of children with SEND. These coffee mornings will be held by SENDIASS Kids for the parents / carers of Oasis Academy Ryelands and Oasis Academy Arena.

The topic of our first virtual coffee morning will be:

Applying for a needs assessment

This is a chance to understand the process of applying for an EHCP.

Thursday 24th February 2022
10am-12pm

If you are a parent / carer of a child at Oasis Academy Ryelands and wish to reserve a space, then please email office@oasisryelands.org

If you are a parent / carer of a child at Oasis Academy Arena and wish to reserve a space, then please email natalie.french@oasisarena.org



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Friends of Ryelands

BINGO & PIZZA

GAMES FUN & PRIZES

TICKETS
£12

RAFFLE!

Thursday, 3rd March

Start: 8PM, FINISH: 10.30PM

BUY TICKETS ON THE DOOR. INCLUDES FOOD & BINGO WITH PRIZES!
FOOD ON THE NIGHT: DOMINOS PIZZA



South Norwood Social Club

12 ENMORE RD, SOUTH NORWOOD, SE25 5NQ

FRIENDSOFRYELANDS@GMAIL.COM

Queries: 07585 443644



PLAY WITH PALACE

Do you know a budding footballer who would like to play with Palace all year round?

Palace for Life Foundation are offering opportunities for footballers of any ability from age groups Under 6 to Under 16 the chance to receive Palace coaching throughout the year.

SOCCER SCHOOLS

Your football-mad youngster can enjoy packed days of professionally run, fun football sessions every school holidays. Ran by UEFA and FA qualified coaches, the sessions take place in a range of locations across south London; including girls-only and goalkeeper specific Soccer Schools.

Soccer Schools run from 9:00-16:00 BST and include fun-packed sessions to help youngsters develop their football and meet new friends.

Find out more:



PLAYER DEVELOPMENT CENTERS

Palace for Life are committed to developing the talent in young footballers with a dedicated player pathway which gives the most talented the opportunity to join the Crystal Palace F.C. Academy and other local teams. The Player Development Centres are open for all abilities and include goalkeeper specific training!

These sessions take place across south London weekly during school term time times.

The Palace for Life Player Pathways Provide:

- Player pathway feeding into the Crystal Palace Academy
- Elite Level FA and UEFA qualified coaching
- Coaching ethos and style mirroring Crystal Palace Academy

Find out more:



For more information on playing with Palace, visit palaceforlife.org

E-PATs - Early Positive Approaches to Support



Our next E-PATs courses will be starting after February half term

Our E-PATs courses are for families that live in Croydon, and have 1 or more child under 5 with

- learning disabilities
- social communication difficulties
- global developmental delay
- autism

(your child does not need to have a diagnosis)

Our courses will run for 7 sessions (1 session a week)

We will be running 1 course in person and 1 online

Each family is offered up to 2 places, which could be 2 parent carers, or 1 parent carer and a family member or friend involved in the care of your child

If you are interested in finding out more, please email Sharon or Sue -



sharon@croydonmencap.org.uk

sue.utley@croydonmencap.org.uk

We will contact you for a chat, and see if the course is suitable for your family. If you cannot email, please call us on 020 8684 5890



Professionals - if you work with a family you think may benefit from the E-PATs course please ask them to contact us (self refer) - thank you

