

## 2ND DECEMBER 22

### A Message From Miss Reed and Mr Lillo

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we were visited by Kate from the Blue Cross Animal Hospital in Monday's assembly. She spoke to the children about dog safety focusing on the three Cs of canine choice: **C**heck with the owner first, then you can **c**all the dog and finally you **c**ount just three strokes on the dog's shoulder. The children enjoyed the assembly and Kate was impressed with their knowledge and the questions they asked.

We were also visited again by Clare Robinson, a principal from one of the other Oasis academies. She has been working with us on our curriculum and how we use the iPads to support and enhance the children's learning. Clare thought that the children were using the iPads effectively in the classrooms and is looking at ways that we can further develop their use.

Our Mini SLT will be selling raffle tickets before and after school in support of the Christmas Fair. Please look out for them and try to buy some tickets for a chance of winning one of the prizes.

Have a good weekend and thank you for your continued support.

Kate, Glenn and the Ryelands Team

### Celebrating Christmas at St. Luke's Church

We will be going to St. Luke's church for our annual Christmas Service on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December. The service will begin at 2pm and we would love to see as many of you there as possible to join in with the Christmas singing and celebration. If you are able to support us by walking to and from the church with the children, please speak to your child's class teacher.

We will also be going to the church for a rehearsal on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 10am. Again, if you are able to come and support the children walking to and from the school it would be much appreciated.

### Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday 8th December

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December, we will be joining with many others in the country and wearing our Christmas jumpers to school.

We are asking for donations of £1 to be brought to school. The money raised from this event will be split between Save The Children and Friends of Ryelands.

We look forward to seeing everyone in their festive attire on Thursday.



### Football Round Up!

In the last two weeks, Ryelands' Football teams have been representing their school at the Crystal Palace Football Club training ground. First the boys' team - Aurelio, Trey, Joshua, Joao, Martin, Ethan, Sergi and Eldrich report:

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November, we went to a tournament. We played 5 matches in our group stage. In this stage, we came tied fourth with another school. We managed to view CP's marvellous and massive new buildings and we also got to see some talented youngsters. We went up against Atwood, Al-khair, Smitham, St Chads and Cheam Park Farm. It was an amazing experience, and we had the time of our lives.

The girls report from Eloise, Grace, Brianna, Angela, Zara, Yasmin, Shannia and Sofia:

On the 25<sup>th</sup> of November, a handful of girls from Year 6 went to CPFC training ground. We played against other schools from Croydon and Sutton such as: Cheam Park Farm, Beddington, St Chads, Cheam Fields and St Josephs. Although we didn't make it to the semi-finals, we are glad that we got to go on this experience. It was fun and we enjoyed ourselves!

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### This Week's Adventures

**Nursery:** Our topic this week in nursery has been music. The children have listened to different types of music and talked about what they like/dislike. We have explored what terms like orchestra, sequence, pattern, rhythm, loud, soft, beat etc. mean. We even made and decorated our own percussion instruments and played in our class band. We were very good at listening when we played 'Guess the instrument sound' and we had great fun making up body percussion sound sequences for our friends to copy. We have also been practising hard for our Christmas concert next week!

**Reception:** Reception children had a great time this week exploring a new topic "Music makes me smile". They started the week with the story "Sheep's Jazzy Jumper" discussing the different musical instruments and their characteristics and continued with the "Noisy orchestra where they learnt about the four families of musical instruments. Later in the week, the children listened to some popular songs sung in various languages and tried to join in. Children in both classes impressed their teachers with their amazing writing, as we have now learnt all the letters of the alphabet and started writing sentences using our sounds.

**Year 1:** This week in Year 1 we have been consolidating lots of our learning and we have been really impressed by how well the children have done! In English, we read the story "The Naughty Bus". We enjoyed looking at all the places that the bus went on his adventure and described the way he moved, thinking of interesting verbs that we could use. We then created our own maps, imagining where we might go if we were a naughty bus on an adventure! In Geography, we continued to learn about the 7 continents of the world and thought about what animals live on the different continents. We have also been practising lots for our nativity next week. We can't wait to show you all!

**Year 2:** This week in Year 2 we have been putting all our knowledge to the test in our Autumn quizzes. We watched a short story about the Dream Granter and have written some amazing stories inspired by what we saw. We have spent some time learning about how important it is to conserve water in Science and in History we have been introduced to the queen with the second longest reign – Queen Victoria. We have also really enjoyed making our Christmas hoops for the hall and can't wait to see them up on display next week!

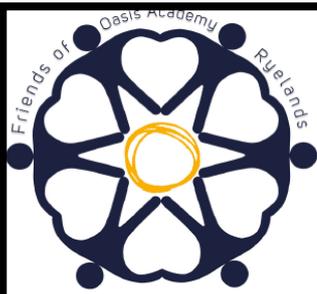
**Year 3:** This week Year 3 have been working hard to complete Autumn term maths and reading tests – our children were considerate, patient, and focused – well done! In maths, we are learning about division by sharing and grouping and everyone has been hopeful and humble. In writing, we have had such great fun with our start to writing instructions – great verbs, adjectives, and alliteration – Wow Woodpecker and Kingfisher! Science has been all about 'life giving soil'. The children created soil information posters, while in history, the classes learnt about the stages of the Ancient Egyptian mummification process.

**Year 4:** We are very proud indeed of all the children for how they are approaching our two-week assessment window. Despite the tests, we have still found time to have a packed week. In English, they completed their narratives which we will now publish. In maths we have started our unit on multiplication and division facts. In Science, we learned about the stages of the Water Cycle and as geographers, we looked at how earthquakes occur and their destructive impact. We have made decorations to hang from our Christmas Hoop, and in PE, further developed our basketball skills.

**Year 5:** In Year 5 this week, we have started to discuss the pros and cons of Jub, who is the main character in our story, going to go and rescue the Happy Endings of stories from around the world. The children have thought carefully about both sides and are in the process of writing a balanced argument. In Maths, we have been really impressing our teachers with our times table knowledge, which has enabled us to multiply by multiples of 10, 100 and 1000. In RE, we created fact files about Fauja Singh, who is 101 years old and from East London, finished the Hong Kong 10km (6.25 mile) event in one hour, 32 minutes and 28 seconds.

**Year 6:** Year 6 have continued to look at The Arrival by Shaun Tan. We continued writing about the man's journey including his journey on a boat and his arrival in the new land. We made inferences based on the pictures. We then selected a new character from the images at the front of the book and came up with a back story for them in preparation for wiring their journey tale next week. In maths, we continued using the short division method and moved on to looking at dividing a 4 digit number by a 2 digit number. We started without any remainders and then moved on to interpreting word problems with remainders. In art, we completed our paintings. In geography, we looked at how coal and natural gas are formed and considered whether energy resources are renewable or non-renewable. We also looked at how coal becomes a form of energy we can use in our homes. We considered the natural resources of the world and investigated the top 10 producers of natural resources. We completed our history topic on the Industrial Revolution by reflecting on why the Industrial Revolution led to social movements, including the Luddites, the abolition of the slave trade, the elementary education act and the factory act.

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### Ways to help us this holiday season

- 1) Order your Christmas tree from Rambling Rose - order forms sent home today
- 2) Any donations for the Christmas Fair are welcome - drop at the school office
- 3) Buy a FOR raffle ticket. On sale next week before school - main entrance
- 4) Help out at the Christmas Fair email [friendsofryelands@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofryelands@gmail.com) to find out more

Thank you to our wonderful school community!

### Donations For The Christmas Fair

We still need donations for our Christmas Fair. If you have any of the below, we would be so grateful for anything you can donate. Please bring all donations to the Office.

- Nursery & Reception - Books (new / nearly new)
- Yr 1 & Yr 2 - Goodies and sweet treats
- Yr 3 & Yr 4 - Toys and puzzles (new / nearly new)
- Yr 5 & Yr 6 - A bottle (fizzy pop, bubble bath etc)

### Nursery Spaces

Do you or anyone you know have a child who is 3 years old? We have spaces left in our afternoon Nursery sessions for January.

If you are interested in having one of these spaces for your child, please contact Vanessa Cummins, on 020 8656 4165 or email [office@oasisryelands.org](mailto:office@oasisryelands.org)



### New Reception Open Days

We are holding one final Open Day for parents / carers of children who are applying for Reception places for September 2023. Please pass this information on to anyone who may be interested.

Monday 12th December  
13:30-14:30

To book a place on this Open Day, please email [office@oasisryelands.org](mailto:office@oasisryelands.org) or call 020 8656 4165.

### Makaton Words Of The Week

Next week's words will be:

To give and  
To receive

All the children are enjoying learning the new Makaton signs and joining in with the signing of our songs in Sing & Sign assembly. Please encourage your children to show you the signs they are learning, they are doing so well!

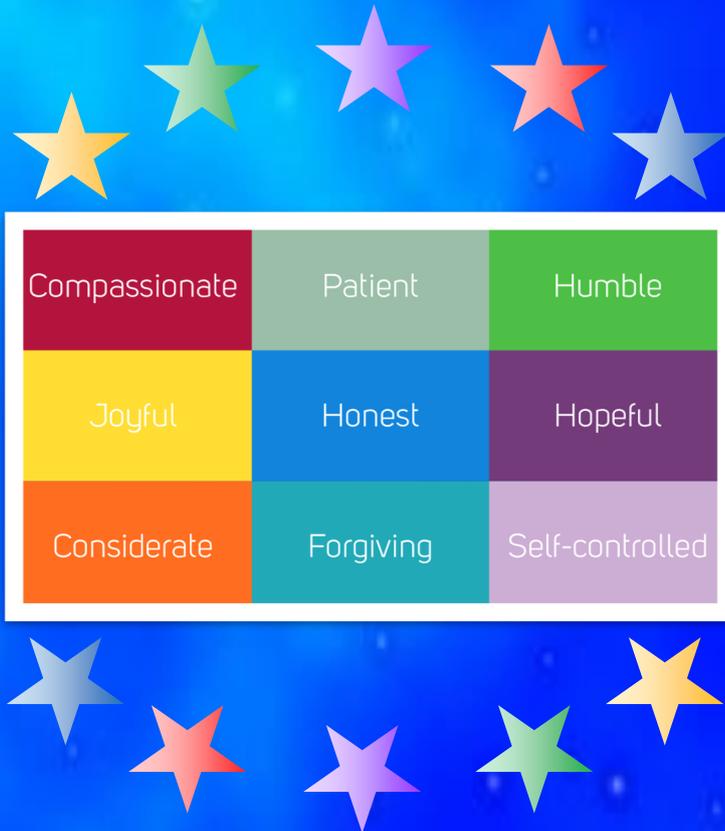


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### Stars of the Week

Each week, a child in each class is chosen for portraying one of the Oasis 9 Habits.

|            |                             |
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| Robin      | King - Hopeful              |
| Wren       | Zedekiah - Hopeful          |
| Sparrow    | Sebby - Compassionate       |
| Starling   | Hiro - Humble               |
| Chaffinch  | Alexander - Self-controlled |
| Goldfinch  | Mila - Patient              |
| Kingfisher | Rayan - Compassionate       |
| Woodpecker | Oskar - Self-controlled     |
| Magpie     | Endrit - Considerate        |
| Owl        | Wylei - Self-controlled     |
| Heron      | Chizara - Hopeful           |
| Raven      | Ethan - Considerate         |
| Eagle      | Shay - Self-controlled      |
| Hawk       | Stanley - Hopeful           |



# Dates for your Diary

| <b>Date</b>                       | <b>Event</b>   |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Mon 5th - Fri 9th Dec             | Human Rights Week - School of Sanctuary  |
| Tues 6th Dec                      | Reception & Y1 Christmas Production - 13:30  |
| Weds 7th Dec                      | Reception & Y1 Christmas Production - 09:45  |
| Thurs 8th Dec                     | Christmas Jumper Day<br>Christmas Carol Concert rehearsal - 10:00 (leave school at 09:30)<br>Woodpecker Class Assembly 9:00<br>Christmas Fair - 15:30- 18:00 |
| Fri 9th Dec                       | Christmas Carol Concert - 14:00 (leave school at 13.30)  |
| Fri 16th Dec                      | Last Day of term   |
| <b>Mon 19th Dec - Mon 2nd Jan</b> | <b>Christmas Holidays</b>  |
| Tues 3rd Jan                      | All children return to school  |
| Mon 9th - Fri 13th Jan            | Safeguarding Week  |
| Weds 18th Jan                     | SRE Meeting for parents - 18:00  |
| Fri 20th Jan                      | Parents Meeting: Child on Child Abuse - 14:45  |
| Weds 1st Feb                      | Parents' Evening - times TBC   |
| Thurs 2nd Feb                     | Parents' Evening - times TBC   |
| Fri 3rd Feb                       | Ryelands' Got Talent   |
| Mon 6th Feb                       | Parents' Meeting: Keeping Safe Online - 09:00  |
| Tues 7th Feb                      | Safer Internet Day   |
| Weds 10th Feb                     | Last day of term   |



Rambling Rose have kindly agreed to donate

25% of tree, wreath and table decoration sales to the Friends of Ryelands PTA when you use this form!

They deliver locally!

### **How to order**

1) Fill out this order form and return to school office

If paying cash, put the **correct** money in a sealed envelope and hand in to the school office

Or the shop will call you to pay by card when they have your order.

**They will be in touch to arrange delivery**

2) Or go up to the shop at the top of South Norwood Hill (remember the form though).



# Christmas Tree order form



Name :

Class:

Mobile:

Address :

| Description               | Price | Qty | Cost |
|---------------------------|-------|-----|------|
| Christmas Tree 3ft potted | £25   |     |      |
| Christmas Tree 4ft cut    | £25   |     |      |
| Christmas Tree 5ft cut    | £35   |     |      |
| Christmas Tree 6ft cut    | £40   |     |      |
| Christmas Tree 7ft cut    | £60   |     |      |
| Christmas Tree 8ft cut    | £70   |     |      |
| Christmas Tree 9ft cut    | £90   |     |      |
| Small Wreath              | £15   |     |      |
| Large Wreath              | £25   |     |      |
| Table Decorations         | £15   |     |      |
| Table Decorations         | £25   |     |      |

Please circle

Cash included

Pay by card

Total :

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# Christmas Fair



FACE PAINTING – STALLS – CRAFTS –  
REFRESHMENTS – SANTA'S GROTTO – RAFFLE

**THURS**  
**8**  
**Dec**

OASIS ACADEMY RYELANDS  
OAKLEY ROAD, SE25 4XG

**3.30PM**  
**to**  
**6.00PM**