

## A Message From Miss Reed

Dear Parents and Carers,

As many of you may already know, next week is SATs week for our Year 6 pupils when they will sit tests, along with all other Year 6 pupils in the country. The children and staff (and I'm sure many of you at home), have worked incredibly hard to prepare for these tests and we hope that everyone does as well as they possibly can. We are really proud of our children and how hard they have worked and next week is a chance for them to show this. As ever, I am ultimately more bothered that the children are feeling safe and happy so please join me in wishing them well and telling them to just try their hardest. At the end of the day, I want everyone to do well but I want more for us all to learn to be kind and considerate individuals who care for each other and show compassion.

Next week is also 'Mental Health Awareness Week' and we will be thinking about how we can help to promote positive mental health and well-being. Please try to talk to your children over the weekend about what they can do to help support this.....getting enough sleep, eating well, taking exercise, getting fresh air, showing kindness to others—there are so many things we can do. On Friday, everyone is invited to **wear green** to school in recognition of Mental Health Awareness Week. There is no charge of this, so please join in and find some green to wear. It would be great if all our parents and carers could join in with the green theme too. Have a great weekend and thank you all for your continued support.

Kate and the Ryelands Team

**WEAR GREEN  
FRIDAY 16TH MAY**

There is no charge for this, we would just like everyone to join in and show their support.



## Year 5—Taste Of Africa

As part of our enrichment programme, Year 5 have had a taste of Africa!

They were able to sample many culinary delights including: mango, oranges, sugar cane as well as Abuja bread and Shito pepper sauce.



Rafa S. "I liked the tanginess of the oranges, it was also fitting because the book we are reading in class - Journey to Jo'Burg. Well the children in it, ate oranges and stayed in an orange farm."



Batouly "I really liked the Abuja Bread, it had a different texture to normal bread, it seemed softer but also slightly sweeter."

**Yummy**



Skylar "The mango was sweet and juicy."

**SPICY**

**Delicious**



Hakeem "I really enjoyed tasting the food the Shito pepper sauce was spicy! I would give it a 10 out of 10."

# Calling All Ryelands Families - Summer Fair Donations & Entertainment Needed!



The Friends of Ryelands Summer Fair is fast approaching, and we need your help to make it an unforgettable day for our community. Here's how you can get involved:

## Raffle Prizes Wanted!

Do you own, work for, or know a business that could donate an exciting raffle prize? Or perhaps you've got an unused gift at home that deserves a new home? We're collecting fantastic items for our fundraising raffle and would love your support.

### 2. Colour Raffle - Back by Popular Demand!

Our colourful class raffle returns! Each class is asked to bring in items in a specific colour.

Reception - Bottles, from alcoholic beverages to bubble bath or even a bottle of ketchup!  
(Any colour)

Year 1 - Blue

Year 2 - Pink

Year 3 - Green

Year 4 - Purple

Year 5 - Red

Year 6 - Orange

School Staff - Yellow

Items can be anything from teddies, soaps, bubble baths, drinks, packaged food or snacks and anything else in your colour theme, we ask for new items only please.

### 3. Sweet Tombola Jars

We're collecting clean, lidded jars for our ever-popular sweet tombola. Please drop them off at reception whenever you can - filled or empty!

### 4. Teddy Raffle Donations

We're also running a teddy raffle, so if you have any good quality soft toys looking for a new home, please send them our way!

### 5. Entertainers Wanted!

Are you a musician, DJ, dancer, face painter, balloon artist, or have a crowd-pleasing talent you'd love to share? We'd love to hear from you! Help us bring the fun to life with performances or activities on the day.

All donations to be brought to the school office please.

Thank you for your continued support - we truly couldn't do this without our amazing Ryelands community!




Help Friends of Ryelands  
raise money!




MONDAY 19TH MAY

# SCOOTATHON

A SPONSORED FOR EVENT - ALL FUNDS GO TOWARDS  
PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, LEARNING RESOURCES &  
EXTRA-CURRICULAR FUN!

 **Calling all pupils – we need your help!**  
**Bike & Scooter Obstacle Race**

**Hosted by Friends of Ryelands during school hours – bring your own or borrow a school scooter!**

 **Let's race to raise money!**  
**We're asking each child to aim for £5-£10 in sponsorship.**

**Donate or share the link:**  
**[justgiving.com/crowdfunding/Friends-Of-Ryelands](https://justgiving.com/crowdfunding/Friends-Of-Ryelands)**





Scan to donate to Friends of Ryelands  
"Scootathon"



# Attendance

Over a school year, we are open for 190 days which equates to 380 sessions. This includes soft starts from 8.40am, registration in the morning and again after lunch in the afternoon. Attendance is affected if a pupil is not present at school for any whole session including registration.



## Weekly Attendance Award

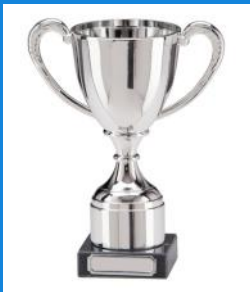
### Year 1 Sparrow



100% Attendance - Children can wear their own clothes on Monday

Attendance Target: 97.0%    Attendance This Week: 97.1 %

Attendance This Year: 95.9%    Pupils Late: 18



## Year 5 Raven Class

### Attendance Cup

99.55%



This initiative is part of our Friday Celebration Assembly. Every child who has had 100% attendance for the previous 5 days (Fri-Thurs) has their name entered into a prize draw. We spin the wheel (a child is chosen to do so) and whoever the wheel lands on, wins a £5 National Book Token Voucher.



This is NOT cumulative so every week children have a fresh chance at having their names added to the draw.

## Albi - Starling Class

## Positive Playtime Weekly Winners!!

The winning class will receive Ice Pop or biscuits this week:

Winners Summer 1 Week 3

Year 5 Heron



## OAR—Craze of the Week! Summer 1 Weeks 1 & 2

MUGA		Junior playground		Infant playground	
'Craze'	Date	'Craze'	Date	'Craze'	Date
Football, skipping Tennis and balance	WB 5th May 2025	Table tennis, skipping plus basketballs	WB 5th May 2025	Skipping, balance boards and ball games	WB 5th May 2025



### Positive Points

WINNING CLASS

Year 4 Owl with 1011 points

WHOLE SCHOOL 5981 points

Our winning class will be rewarded with an extra play session.







# Stars of the Week

Compassionate	Patient	Humble
Joyful	Honest	Hopeful
Considerate	Forgiving	Self-controlled

Robin	Kali - Compassionate
Wren	Zaha - Hopeful
Sparrow	Polly - Joyful
Starling	Leela - Compassionate
Chaffinch	Louie - Considerate
Goldfinch	Mark - Forgiving
Kingfisher	Victoria - Patient
Woodpecker	Jonathan - Hopeful
Magpie	Marwa - Considerate
Owl	Ryha - Joyful
Heron	Tairell - Considerate
Raven	Rafa - Considerate
Eagle	Fabianna - Joyful
Hawk	Malachi - Considerate
Pupil Choice	Evie chose Ezri for being joyful Ruby chose Isla for being Self Controlled

Maths Shed	Class	Child
	Raven	Yusuf
2nd	Kingfisher	Rassiah
3rd	Heron	Zion

Spelling Shed	Class	Child
	Magpie	Idris
2nd	Kingfisher	King
3rd	Raven	Yusuf

SUMDOG	Class	Child
	Sparrow	Marcos
2nd	Starling	Iona
3rd	Goldfinch	Max. B

# Dates for your Diary 2025

Date	Event
Mon 12th May–Thurs 15th	Year 6 SATs and Mental Health Awareness Week
Fri 16th May	Mental Health Day–Wear Green (no charge)
Sun 18th May	Year 6 Kingswood Residential
Mon 19th May	FOR Scooter-thon
Wed 21st May	Year 6 - 3.30pm Return from Kingswood Residential Year 1 Morning Hearing Test
Thurs 22nd May	9.00am Rec. Wren Class Assembly Year 1 Morning Hearing Test
Mon 26th - Fri 30th May	Half Term
Fri 6th June	9 - 5.30pm Year 6 Trip to Chessington World Of Adventures
Mon 9th - 20th June	Reception Living Eggs
Tues 10th June	9.00am Wellbeing Coffee Morning
Fri 13th June	Nursery Sports Day 10am
Mon 16th June	Reception Vision Screening
Tues 17th June	9.30am Reception Sports Day
Wed 18th June	KS1 & KS2 Sports Day @ Croydon Arena am
Fri 20th June	Loud & Proud Day - dress up and wear your brightest colours
Sat 21st June	FOR Summer Fair
Fri 27th June	INSET DAY–school closed to children
Mon 30th June	9am–3pm Year 4 Cricket Tournament @
Thurs 3rd July	9.00am Croydon Family Hub Coffee Morning
Fri 4th July	Nursery Parent Picnic



**Holiday Club**  
8.00am till 6.00pm



**After School Clubs**  
6.00pm late finish



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