

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today has been a day of mixed emotions at Ryelands. In assembly we were joyful to hear that we had won a £250 Amazon voucher as a prize for coming second in the 'Most Creative' category for the Oasis Together Week. We were awarded this for our Dance Festival that took place last summer where our whole school came together to perform on the MUGA in the sunshine. This event helped to boost our total raised in Together Week to an impressive £473.20!! Thank you for all your support and generosity.



Assembly also brought some sadness as we said an emotional goodbye to Vanessa Cummins who has worked with us here at Ryelands for just over 8 years. Vanessa has been there at the front desk to greet everyone, answer a whole host of questions from parents and visitors as well as managing admissions for our school. For me though, the most important thing that Vanessa does is show the children just how much she cares about them all. She is someone who always takes the time to talk to the children and listen to them, making them all feel special and valued.

Vanessa—we will miss you enormously and wish you all the love and good luck for the future. Like I said in assembly, it is a huge privilege to be a part of children's lives in school and have impact on them. I hope that you remember the positive impact you have had on all of our Ryelands community—thank you for all you have done to support us here at Ryelands.

With Vanessa leaving, we are of course welcoming a new staff member to our team who you are sure to see on the front desk. Tina Matthews has been with us this week and will be here moving forward. We hope very much that you will be just as kind to her as you have been Vanessa!



In other exciting news, the FA Cup (yes the actual real trophy) is coming to visit Ryelands on Tuesday morning. Staff from Palace For Life are coming to run an assembly for us and each of our classes will have their photo taken with the cup. We are hoping to be able to send these out digitally to you all as a memento. We would really like for the children to come to school on Tuesday wearing their

Crystal Palace shirts (if they are supporters and have one) or red and/or blue if, like me, they're not avid Palace fans.

Have a great weekend—Kate and the Ryelands Team

Toddlers Together

Our toddler group was busy again this week with both our regulars and some new faces visiting too. Our toddler group, 'Toddlers Together', runs every Wednesday morning from 9:30-11am. If you have a little one, we would love you to join us for a chance to meet other parents and for the children to play and explore together. Please continue to spread the word about this group.....if you would like some flyers to help us advertise, please do come and speak to me on the gate.



Positive Playtime Weekly Winners!!

The winning class will receive a juice and biscuit treat this week:

Winners Autumn 1 Week 4
Y2 Goldfinch



Positive Points

Throughout the week, all of the adults in school (as well as members of our Mini SLT team) look out for children showing positive behaviour. Points can be awarded for good effort, demonstrating the Oasis 9 Habits, helping others.....pretty much anything positive.

Across the Whole School we earned **7578** points.

This week's winning class is **Y1 Starling** with **841** points.


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


Stars of the Week

Robin	Khalil—Self-controlled
Wren	Avery—Hopeful
Sparrow	Lyla—Compassionate
Starling	Akua—Humble
Chaffinch	Tabitha—Hopeful
Goldfinch	Xara—Honest
Kingfisher	Mia—Patient
Woodpecker	Rai'a—Considerate
Magpie	Rassiah —Forgiving
Owl	Michael—Hopeful
Heron	Ben—Forgiving
Raven	Idris—Compassionate
Eagle	Eloise—Patient
Hawk	Edith—Self-controlled
Pupil Choice	<p>Reese chose Gabriela for being Patient</p> <p>Zion chose Eskander for being Joyful</p>

Compassionate	Patient	Humble
Joyful	Honest	Hopeful
Considerate	Forgiving	Self-controlled

Maths Shed	Class	Child
	Y5 Raven	Hannah Y5 Raven
2nd	Y5 Heron	Amariah Y5 Raven
3rd	Y6 Hawk	Sumayah Y5 Raven

Spelling Shed	Class	Child
	Y4 Magpe	David Y4 Magpie
2nd	Y6 Eagle	Alpha Y4 Magpie
3rd	Y5 Heron	Gloria Y5 Heron

SUMDOG	Class	Child
	Y5 Raven	Renice Y5 Raven
2nd	Y4 Magpie	Rosie Y5 Raven
3rd	Y6 Hawk	Cassius Y5 Raven



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

Y2 Goldfinch Class won the Attendance Penguin 99.62%



Y3 Woodpecker all won the Attendance Cup 98.79%

Attendance Target: 97.0%

Attendance This Week: 96.5%

Attendance This Year: 97.3%

Late Pupils: 18

100% Attendance Wheel

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. This week's winner is:

Ava - Y1 Starling Class

Dates for your Diary 2025

Date	Event
Thurs 25th Sept–2nd Oct	Travelling Books–Book Fair
Mon 29th Sept	Uniform Sale from 3.00pm on the main concourse
Tues 30th Sept	FA Cup visiting school Wear a Crystal Palace top or red/blue
Thurs 2nd Oct	9.00am Y4 Owl Class Assembly
Wed 8th Oct	Y6 Trip to British Museum 9.00am Equality & Diversity Meeting for Parents
Thurs 9th Oct	9.00am Y3 Kingfisher Class Assembly
Fri 10th Oct	Wear Yellow for #HelloYellow Day - £1 donation on MCAS (Young Minds Charity)
Mon 13th Oct	9.00am Phonics Meeting for EYFS & KS1 for Parents
Tues 14th Oct	Y1 Sparrow Trip to Pizza Express am
Wed 15th Oct	Wear Red for Show Racism the Red Card–£1 donation on MCAS
Thurs 16th Oct	9.00am Y2 Goldfinch Assembly Y6 Croydon Fire Station Trip Y1 Starling Trip to Pizza Express Y3 Local Area Trip
Fri 17th Oct	Inset Day
Mon 20th Oct	Diwali Assembly
Tues 21st Oct	1.45pm Afternoon Tea for Grandparents
Thurs 23rd Oct	10.00am Harvest Festival @ St. Luke's Church 3.30pm Y4 MTC and Frylands Meeting for Parents
Fri 24th Oct	FOR Halloween Disco
Mon 27th-Fri 31st Oct	HALF TERM

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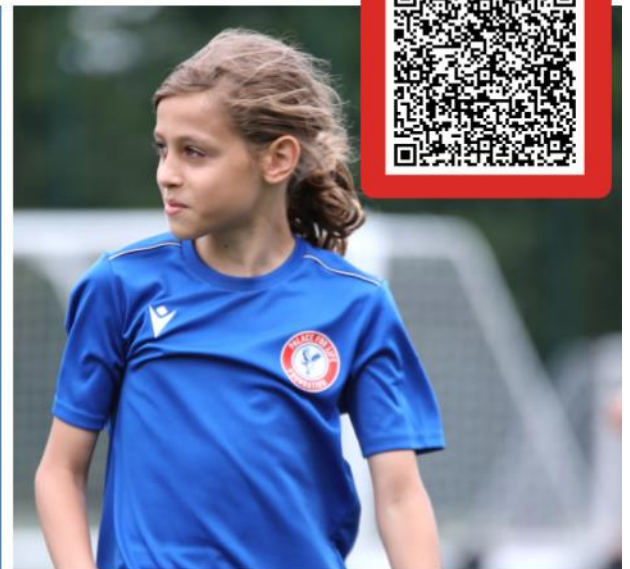
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