

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another busy week and we have had many visitors to Ryelands. On Thursday we had the Education Team from Oasis come to complete a learning walk in the school. They were very interested to see the children's learning and commented on both their joy and dedication. One of the visitors also spoke about our fantastic learning environment and community. I told them that this is something that we work very hard to build and also something that we are extremely proud of.

This morning we were visited by Natasha Irons, our local MP. She arrived early so that she could see our Breakfast Club provision and was keen to find out how this is running and the take up for this. The numbers attending the free Breakfast Club from 8:20am has grown from when it first started after Easter last year and this is now a very busy provision. Natasha joined us for our Celebration Assembly and was impressed to see our Mini SLT taking the lead on many of the award presentations. We then went on a tour of the school where, as ever, the children impressed with their positive learning attitudes and kindness to one another.

Throughout the school this week, we have continued to link some of our learning to Black History Month and the focus country this week has been Jamaica. A special mention and thanks goes to Miss Brown, who works mostly in Year 6, who provided traditional Jamaican food for our children to try. Ms Bakosi awarded her with a 'considerate' badge by means of recognition and thank you. Next week our focus country will be Ghana—the children are keen to find out more.....and no doubt sample more food!



#HelloYellow

10 October

**Wear yellow to show young people they're
not alone with their mental health**

A big thank you to everyone who dug out their yellow clothing items today in support of #HelloYellow Day. We had many shades of yellow across the school and throughout the day, the children will have been encouraged to consider their emotions and own mental health. We work hard to support the children in recognising their emotions and in developing strategies to help manage them. It is important to us that the children know that it's ok to not be ok sometimes—we all have days when things can feel too much.....it's about how we support each other through these times.

Thank you for your ongoing support and I hope that you have a great weekend.

Kate and the Ryelands Team

Harvest Festival at St Luke's Church

Thursday 23rd October 2025

At Ryelands, we celebrate Harvest through singing, getting together for tea with our grandparents and donating Harvest gifts. We encourage children to invite their grandparents to school, on the 21st of October at 1.45pm for tea with entertainment. Please see previous email or ask your child's class teacher for a form.

On the 23rd of October, our Year 1 to Year 6 children will be performing at St Luke's Church, at 10am.

Reception classes will go to Church to watch only. They will perform in school for the Grandparents' Tea. Nursery children will also perform for the Grandparents' Tea.

As always, on school trips we rely on your help.

If you are available on that morning to walk with us to the church, stay for the performance and then walk back to school with us, please, let the class teacher know.

Thank you in advance for your support.



Bike/Scooter Donations

Has your child outgrown their push or pedal bike?

Is it getting in the way and you're thinking of getting rid of it?

Reception are looking for used but good condition bikes or scooters to add to their outdoor provision. If you would like to donate an old bike, appropriate for 4 and 5 year olds to use, please bring it to Mrs Carew and Ms Prosper in Robin class.

Thank you for your support.





Phonics Parent Meeting

Monday 13th October 2025

9am School Hall

Do you have a child in the Reception or new to Year 1 or 2?

Join Mrs Carew as she talks about how we teach phonics here at Ryelands and how you can support your child on their phonics and early reading journey.

Everyone welcome!




Charity Run

Alex (Y2 Chaffinch) and his mum are going to participate in the Great Ormond fundraising race.....

can you support them?

My mum and I are joining the race to help beat childhood cancer!

My mum and I like to run and we are running to help children. We are taking part in Great Ormond Street Hospital Charity's family festival and fun run (RBC Race for the Kids) to raise money to help build the new Children's Cancer Centre at Great Ormond Street Hospital (GOSH). If you'd like to support us, please follow the link

link  [GOSH Charity - Alex Luis](#)



#HelloYellow day is one of my favourite days here at school. The bright, happy sea of yellow worn by our students and adults alike to help celebrate and spread awareness of our young people's Mental Health is so important.

We always talk about who our "go to" people are in our assemblies and through our Zones of Regulation. We have Wellbeing Champions and 'go to' adults throughout the academy. I really feel our children are not only becoming more aware of their emotions and how to regulate them, but are finding it easier to talk about them and ask for help when they feel they need it.

As always, the money raised from today's donations will go to the Young Minds charity.

Remember, its ok not to be ok. The more we talk about our Mental Health the easier it becomes.

Sending a big thank you to everyone who supported today's event!

Miss Wallace



Year 6 British Museum Trip!

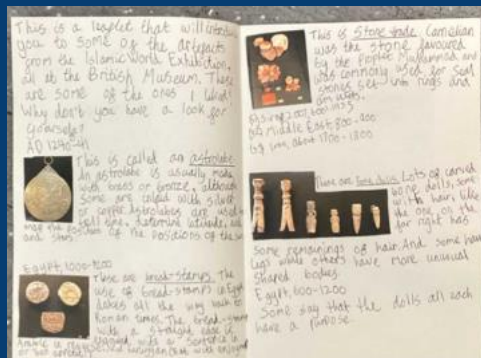
What a fantastic day Year 6 had this week! On Wednesday 8th October 2025, the whole of Year 6 visited the British Museum. We started our visit by looking at the artefacts from the Early Islamic Civilisation, which is our history topic. Last week, we had looked at some pictures of the artefacts and make predictions about what we thought they were. It was interesting to see how right (or wrong) we were. We then looked at European objects from the same time period to compare them. When we got back from the museum, we made leaflets about the artefacts we had learnt about.



Freya Eagle - "I liked the museum as it gives kids an idea of the past. I really enjoyed it and had a lot of fun learning."

Hugo Eagle - "It was one of the most amazing trips I've been on and it was so educational. I enjoyed looking at the ancient artefacts. I loved it."

Nova Eagle - "It was so amazing! I loved it so much!"



Etta Hawk - "I liked comparing the Islamic Civilisation and what they created to the British equivalent. When we looked at the Islamic mosaic pieces, they were colourful and decorated with jewels and the British ones were dull and brown in comparison."

Rimel Hawk - "I liked it because when I saw the old things - I was surprised that they were still there because they have been there for a long time."



BLACK HISTORY




This week, our Black History Month celebrations took us to the vibrant island of Jamaica!

Nursery and Reception painted bright Jamaican flags and explored where the island sits on the world map, while Years 1 and 2 channelled their inner poets inspired by Bob Marley's "One Love" and "Three Little Birds" celebrating themes of love, unity and togetherness.

Years 3 and 4 stepped into history, learning about the Windrush Generation and writing heartfelt diary entries imagining what it might have been like to leave Jamaica and begin a new life in Britain. Meanwhile, Years 5 and 6 enjoyed a true taste of the island - sampling spiced bun, plantain chips, patties and curried chicken with rice and peas, bringing the flavours of Jamaica to life!

It's been a joyful week filled with rhythm, creativity and pride.

Next stop ... Ghana!  We can't wait to journey back to the continent of Africa to explore its rich culture, history and traditions.



Positive Playtime Weekly Winners!!

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

Winners Autumn 1 Week 5

Y5 Heron



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 **8515** points.

This week's winning class is **Y6 Eagle** with **2268** points.


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

Stars of the Week

Robin	Oscar - compassionate
Wren	Rayne - Patient
Sparrow	Bernadette - Considerate
Starling	Seren - Humble
Chaffinch	Logan - Joyful
Goldfinch	Thea - Hopeful
Kingfisher	Calder - Humble
Woodpecker	Peniella - Humble
Magpie	Eesa - Humble
Owl	Giovanni - Self-Controlled
Heron	Muna - Hopeful
Raven	Amari - Humble
Eagle	Theo - Patient
Hawk	Denaye - Patient
Pupil Choice	Zenniah chose Tabitha for being Forgiving Mykaiah chose Beni for being Forgiving

Compassionate	Patient	Humble
Joyful	Honest	Hopeful
Considerate	Forgiving	Self-controlled

Maths Shed	Class	Child
	Raven	Hannah - Raven
2nd	Magpie	Josephine - Raven
3rd	Heron	Alpha - Magpie

Spelling Shed	Class	Child
	Magpie	Rassiah - Magpie
2nd	Heron	King- Magpie
3rd	Chaffinch	Alpha - Magpie

SUMDOG	Class	Child
	Starling	Muhammed - Starling
2nd	Sparrow	Joshua - Sparrow
3rd	Woodpecker	Michael - Owl

CONGRATULATIONS!

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 100%

Y3 Kingfisher Class won the
Attendance Cup 98.85%

Attendance Target: 97.0%

Attendance This Week: 96.2%

Attendance This Year: 97.4%

Late Pupils: 23



Year 2 Goldfinch class will have a mufti day on Monday to celebrate achieving 100% attendance

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:

Joni -Y2 Goldfinch



Dates for your Diary 2025

Date	Event
Mon 13th Oct	9.00am Phonics Meeting for EYFS & KS1 for Parents Pre-Loved Uniform Sale 3pm on main concourse
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—Academy closed to children
Mon 20th Oct	Diwali Assembly
Tues 21st Oct	1.45pm Afternoon Tea for Grandparents
Wed 22nd Oct	Y5 & Y6 Steel Pans workshop
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 at the Kiosk (SNCP)
Mon 27th-Fri 31st Oct	HALF TERM
Tues 4th Nov	Y6 Science Workshop
Wed 5th Nov	9am English Open Morning Parents' Evening (3:40pm -6.00pm)
Thurs 6th Nov	Parents' Evening (3:40pm -6.00pm)
Wed 12th Nov	Y6 trip to London Docklands Museum 9am Wellbeing Coffee Morning
Fri 14th Nov	Wear Spots for Children in Need—£1 donation on MCAS

Friends of Ryelands & The Kiosk are joining forces – come celebrate Halloween with your friends and neighbours!

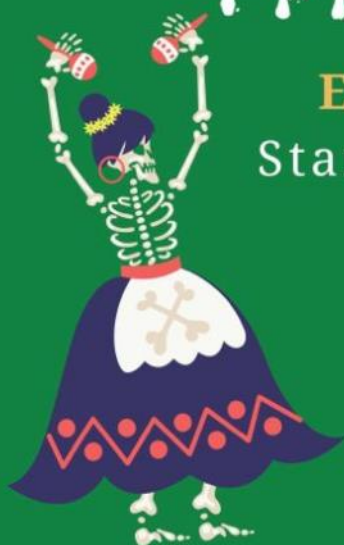


HALLOWEEN DISCO!

Friday 24 October

EVERYONE WELCOME

Start at 3:30 | FREE ENTRY



DISCO
SKELETON TRAIL
HOT FOOD
SWEETS
MUSIC
& MORE...

This event will take place

at **The Kiosk**

in South Norwood Country Park
(Next to the playground)





OPEN
ENTRY FOR
BOYS &
GIRLS

SOCCER SCHOOLS

VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN SOUTH LONDON

FOOTBALL SESSIONS IN SOUTH LONDON FROM UEFA LICENSED PALACE COACHES DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

- All abilities welcome
- School years 2-8
- Boys, girls & goalkeeper specific courses
- Develop new skills and make new friends



BOOK NOW



WHEN:

- 🕒 9am-4pm
- 📅 School holidays

DISCOUNT CODE



PREMIER LEAGUE KICKS AT PALACE FOR LIFE



FREE SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR 8-18-YEAR-OLDS IN SOUTH LONDON

- WEEKLY FOOTBALL, ALL YEAR ROUND
- MATCHES, COMPETITIONS & TOURNAMENTS
- VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES
- GAIN QUALIFICATIONS
- MAKE NEW FRIENDS
- A RANGE OF LOCATIONS IN SOUTH LONDON
- OPEN TO BOYS AND GIRLS



SCAN THE QR CODE FOR LOCATIONS
TIMES AND DATES.

PALACEFORLIFE.ORG FOOTBALLDEVELOPMENT@PALACEFORLIFE.ORG

PALACEFORLIFE.ORG COMMUNITY@PALACEFORLIFE.ORG

South Norwood & Woodside Social Club

CHILDRENS HALLOWEEN

Afternoon Party

£2 Entry

Come and join us for fun games, Cake decorating, scary Disco, Hotdogs and much more.

FANCY DRESS
OPTIONAL

31st October

3pm - 6.30pm

Stanley Arts presents

Cinderella

a ball for all the Family

STANLEY ARTS

13 - 28 Dec 2025
stanleyarts.org | 020 8251 0184
 Stanley Arts, 12 South Norwood Hill, London, SE25 6AB

Does This Sound Like You?



I find it hard managing my emotions

I want a space to focus on me

I take my anger out on others

I want to have more positive experiences

I want to change my behaviour

I want to feel happier

I want to have more confidence

I have difficult relationships

What is Bambu?

Bambu is a confidential support service that you can access if you have been affected by abuse in your home. Domestic abuse (sometimes called domestic violence) may include conflict, threats, or violence, and might display as one of the adults in the family hurting another adult in the family. If this is happening in your home, it can be very confusing and difficult to make sense of. It is difficult to consider how it is affecting other areas of your life too. Even if it happened a long time ago, witnessing domestic abuse can affect how we think, feel and behave in the here and now. It can also impact our relationships with others. If there is domestic abuse in your home or if this has happened in the past, you can come and talk to us at the Bambu project.

If you would like to call for a chat and find out more, please call/text on **07784496750** or email bambu@risemutual.org



What Can We Offer?

- ▶ We offer sessions with an understanding practitioner who is there to listen.
- ▶ We can support you and help you work towards your goals.
- ▶ We can help you find your direction or make sense of what is happening – our support is flexible and can be offered over a short period or across a few months.
- ▶ You can check out what it's like, meet with a Bambu staff member and then decide how we can best support you. This is YOUR space.



Bambu
developing resilience in young people

Waythrough

RISE TRANSFORMING LIVES

Call 999 if you or someone else is in danger. If it is not an emergency, please call 101. For 24-hour support, contact the freephone National Domestic Abuse Helpline 0808 2000 247 or visit www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk