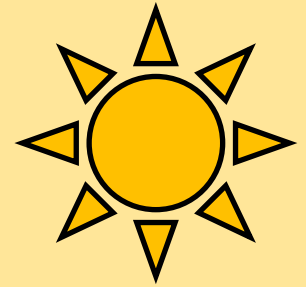


Dear Parents and Carers,

This week started with Don, from the Don Rae Academy of Movement and Arts, coming to teach all of our children the dances for this year's dance festival. As many of you will remember from previous years, this is fantastic whole school event where the children perform their dances for parents and carers out on the MUGA. This year there is a carnival theme and we will be hoping for sunshine—please keep your fingers crossed. This event is planned for **Wednesday 1st July** so please put the date in your diary so that you don't miss out!

We were treated to an excellent class assembly from Y2 Chaffinch class on Thursday who impressed us with their art and drama skills as well as summoning the sun for us by singing The Beatles classic '*Here Comes The Sun*'....from the weather today, I'd definitely say this worked!

As we move into the summer months can I please remind you to ensure that the children's jumpers and cardigans are all clearly named so that, when they take them off because they're too hot and put them on a bench with a load of others, they get the right one back! Also, please do make sure that the children have their water bottles in school and that they put their sun cream on in the mornings of sunny days so that they don't get burnt.



I hope that you all enjoy the good weather this weekend....I'm hoping for warmer mornings so I can wear my shorts to school (5 degrees when I leave my house before 7am is just a bit too cold!).

Thank you for your ongoing support -Kate and the Ryelands Team

Thursday 30th April—Class Photos Day

On Thursday, the photographers will be in school to take the annual class photos. Please ensure that your children all come to school **wearing their full and correct school uniform** on this day. If your child has PE on Thursday, please send them to school wearing their school uniform with their PE kit in a named bag ready to change into (this affects Y1, Y2 Chaffinch, Y4 and Y6).

If it's a warm day, please send your child with their jumper/cardigan and blazer (Y5&6) so that they have their full uniform on for the photos. Ties should be worn by all children in Y3 upwards. Thank you for your support—we should get some good photos!

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Barnardo's have created a special 'Virtual Family Space' for Croydon. There is a new programme with friendly facilitators, waiting to welcome parents and carers onto their workshops. Barnardo's are delivering FREE online parenting workshops—if you are interested, please do follow the link on the poster below.

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Fri 29th May - 9-11.30 am, 12.30-4pm



Focus sessions:

Sat 23rd May

10am-12pm- **Women's dig**

Weds 27th May

9-11.30am- **Drop-in session over 65s**

Thurs 28th May

9-11.30 am- **Family under-5s morning**

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Stars of the Week

Robin	Karim - Joyful
Wren	Ada - Joyful
Sparrow	Lyla - Hopeful
Starling	Robin - Hopeful
Chaffinch	Crystal - Considerate
Goldfinch	Ryan - Compassionate
Kingfisher	Isabella - Hopeful
Woodpecker	Frankie - Joyful
Magpie	Jeremy - Considerate
Owl	Pharoah - Honest
Heron	Lenny - Humble
Raven	Tyhla - Humble
Eagle	Wole - Considerate
Hawk	Emanuel - Honest
Pupil Choice	Elsie Chose Scarlett for being Patient Kacharelle Chose Jovina for being Hopeful

Compassionate	Patient	Humble
Joyful	Honest	Hopeful
Considerate	Forgiving	Self-controlled

Maths Shed	Class	Child
	Magpie	Alpha - Magpie
2nd	Raven	Hannah - Raven
3rd	Heron	Rassiah - Magpie
Spelling Shed	Class	Child
	Magpie	Sierra - Magpie
2nd	Eagle	Shade - Radiant - Eagle
3rd	Raven	Rassiah - Magpie
SUMDOG	Class	Child
	Woodpecker	Rosie - Raven
2nd	Magpie	Eva - Woodpecker
3rd	Owl	Alyan - Starling



Positive Playtime Weekly Winners!!

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

Winners this Week
Y1 Starling Class



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 7375 points.

This week's winning class is **Y1 Starling Class**
with 2688 points.

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

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

Y1 Sparrow class won the
Attendance Penguin 99.62%



Y5 Heron Class won the
Attendance Cup 99.68%

Attendance Target: 97.0%

Attendance This Week: 97.3%

Attendance This Year: 96.3%

Late Pupils: 37

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:



Zuri from Reception Wren

Dates for your Diary 2026

Date	Event
Mon 27th April 2026	9am Year 1 Hearing Screening
Thurs 30th April 2026	Class Photos All children to come to school wearing full school uniform (PE kits to be brought to school for those who have PE)
Mon 4th May 2026	Bank Holiday
Wed 6th May 2026	11:00am Y2 to CYTO for Ugly Duckling Show 1:10pm Y4 to CYTO for Ugly Duckling Show
Thurs 7th May 2026	9am Y1 Sparrow Class Assembly 10am, and 1:30pm Reptiles in Nursery
11th -14h May 2026	Y6 SATS week
Wed 13th May 2026	9:30am Y2 Fire Safety Workshop
Sun 17th -Wed 20th May 2026	Y6 PGL Residential Trip
Tues 19th May 2026	New Reception Parents' Meeting 9:15am and 6:30pm
Wed 20th May 2026	Reception Trip to South Norwood Country Park
Mon 25th-Fri 29th May	HALF TERM
Mon 1st June 2026	Start of Summer 2—all children in
Tues 2nd June 2026	Y6 Trip to National Gallery
Wed 3rd June 2026	Y6 Trip to Chessington
Fri 5th June 2026	Careers Dress Up Day—come to school dressed as what you want to be when you grow up.....doctor, teacher, archaeologist, builder, singer.....

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