Oasis Academy Ryelands

Reception Class Weekly Newsletter

11/05/2026 to 15/05/2026

Country Park Trip

On Wednesday 20th May, we will be taking a summer walk to the country park and taking part in some fun summertime nature activities. Please let us know if you are available to help, if you haven't done so already.

Living Eggs

We are very excited to welcome our little living eggs back at the start of the Summer 2 term. Last week, we have sent home a letter sharing more information and how to pay your child's £6 contribution to the experience via MCAS. Thank you to those of you have already contributed, if you haven't yet, we ask that you kindly support the cost to ensure the children do not miss out. Thank you.

Ashburton Library Trip

We are excited to share that we will be visiting Ashburton library in the summer term. Robin class will visit on **Monday 1st June** in the morning and Wren class will visit on the same day in the afternoon. Today we have sent home a letter sharing more information and asking for parent helpers. Please let us know if you are available to help, if you haven't done so already.

Dates for your diary:

- Wednesday 20th May 2026 afternoon- SN Country Park trip.

Half term W/B 25th May 2026

- Living eggs arrive- W/B 1st June 2026. See letter.
- Monday 1st June 2026- Ashburton Library Trip Robin Class Morning and Wren Class Afternoon. See letter.
- Thursday 18th June 2026- Reception Sports Day- morning (more information to follow)
- Wednesday 1st July 2026- Whole school Dance Festival – morning (more information to follow)

(Dates to be confirmed – Graduation, Teddy Bears' Picnic and class swap day- children will spend the morning in Year 1. We invite families and teddy bears to our lunch time picnic in the reception playground, where they will get the chance to meet the children's Year 1 teachers)

Notices-

- Wear PE kits to school for PE on Fridays.
- A reminder that packed lunches should not contain any nut items e.g. peanut butter or cereal bars. We are a nut free school, and we have children in our year group who have severe nut allergies.
- Please name coats, hats, gloves etc.
- Reading books are changed on a Friday. Please ensure book-bags and reading records are in on this day.

The Oasis 9 Habits: Compassionate, Self-Controlled, Joyful, Forgiving, Patient, Humble, Honest, Considerate and Hopeful.

* This week the Star of the Week in Robin class is **Kayla** for being compassionate. Kayla has been a lovely addition to Robin class, since joining up in the Spring term. She has made lots of wonderful friendships and has shares her lovely imagination with her peers daily. Well done, Kayla.

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* This week the Star of the Week in Wren Class is **Lyla** for being hopeful. Lyla has impressed the adults with her hard work and her friendly manner. She has been a kind and caring friend and have made lots of Wrens smile this week. Well done Lyla.

Our Learning Journey

This week we have thought about life as a grown up and have enjoyed looking at different jobs and careers. We started the week making a list of all the jobs we could think of. It was very impressive how many jobs the children could think of. As the week progressed, we looked more closely at a few of these jobs and the important work people do. The children thought about jobs that require a uniform and why as well as which skills are needed for various different jobs. The children loved writing about different jobs during the week, imagining their role and what they would do each day. At the end of the week, we asked the children again, what do they want to be when they grow up. Some children's choices did not change; however some children's jobs were much more creative. It was lovely to celebrate so many different jobs this week and was really lovely when the children talked about the jobs that you do as well. Thank you for taking the time to talk to the children about these. You are all a very interesting group of parents 😊

In maths this week, the children spent time consolidating their addition and subtraction understanding. The children used first, then and now stories to help embed their understanding of how an addition or subtraction sentence can be answered. It was fantastic to see lots of the children using their, now secure, number knowledge to 10 to support them when answering questions.

Phonics

Within their independent learning, the children continued to demonstrate their segmenting and blending skills activities and have shown confidence in reading the familiar High Flying Words I, a, no, go, the, to, into, he, she, we and me, you and are, was, all, they, said, like, do and there.

Home learning

We would like the children to complete a drawing to enter in the Nature Drawing Competition.

We received a letter in the mail inviting our reception children to take part and think this would be a wonderful experience to for the children. Using the template attached, we would like the children to draw a nature themed picture. They can be inspired by season and weather, animals and wildlife, insects, plants and flowers. Their artwork may be chosen to feature in a special Nature Explorers book.

Once completed, please return these to school and we will send them off to Nature Explorers. Entries must be with us by **Wednesday 20th May 2026** as we will be sending them off that day.