



NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 6TH MARCH 2026

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(John 10:10)*

Dear Families,

It has been another busy and positive week in school. Find below some updates to take note of.

World Book Day: Yesterday we had a wonderful time celebrating World Book Day, and it was fantastic to see so many children and staff embracing the occasion with such enthusiasm. The outfits were brilliant and it was lovely to see everyone sharing their favourite books and celebrating a love of reading (and hobbies!) together.

A huge thank you must go to Mrs Jagger and Mrs Johnson for organising such a special day for the children. Their hard work ensured that it was full of fun, creativity and opportunities to celebrate reading across the school.

FORA Mother's Day Gifts – Don't forget to order your Mother's Day Gifts on Arbor. It will remain open until midnight on Sunday. We will not be able to add any extra next week as the team will be getting them ready to send home on Friday.

New "Choose Your Challenge" Homework Grids: We are excited to introduce our new "Choose Your Challenge" homework grids. Children are asked to choose three activities to complete over the final three weeks of this term. At least one activity must be selected from the top row, which focuses on key skills in Reading, Writing or Maths. The aim of this approach is to give children a range of creative and engaging tasks while still supporting the development of core learning skills.

Homework books should be handed in on the final day of term. Completed work will then be marked and returned early in the following term, ready for the next challenge grid. Please remember to sign and date the sections of the grid that have been completed, so that we can celebrate all the hard work your children have put in.

Parent Survey: We are keen to gather feedback from parents and carers. Next week, you will see QR codes displayed around school, particularly at drop-off and pick-up times. Please take a moment to scan the code and complete the short survey; your feedback is valuable and helps us continue to improve.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mr Reed ☺

Dates for your diary

11th March – Y3 Trip to Pizza Express

19th March – Y5 Theatre Trip

24th March – Y3/Y4 Mini Musical @ 2.30pm and 6pm – details to follow

27th March – FORA Break the Rules Day

27th March – End of Spring Term 2

13th April – Start of Summer Term 1



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ATTENDANCE

Class – Top 3	Weekly %
Belton & Tolethorpe	100
Woolsthorpe	99.7
Rockingham	98.8

Our overall school attendance last week was 97.1% which is slightly above the national average. Please do get in touch if you need any support with attendance.

Well done to Belton and Rockingham Class who won the Attendance Trophy with 100% attendance for all.

Thank you for the continued communication and co-operation with the different procedures in place.

STAR OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the children awarded Star of the Week in our Celebration Assembly.



Belvoir	Noah L
Belton	Eric
Rockingham	Harry L
Burghley	Rozalin
Woolsthorpe	Henley
Tolethorpe	Grace C
Hambleton	Daniel



CYBERWISE

supporting parents to make positive digital choices

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As part of the Cyberwise Schools Partnership Programme



In our cyberwise schools partnership we seek to empower staff, parents and pupils. Pictured here are the student ambassadors of The Rutland Learning Trust who have done an excellent job promoting safe and healthy internet access in their schools.

Cyberwise days in your school

Over the past few months we have visited 18 primary schools and it has been really exciting linking with staff and students. Here are some pictures showing some of our cyberwise workshops in action!



All our schools will be delivering tailor made follow up cyberwise sessions across the year groups over the next couple of terms...



Most of your day should be spent creating, exploring and playing away from screens



Smartphones and tablets are highly addictive devices that have a significant impact on our children's mental health by:

1. Reducing attention spans and academic performance
2. Reducing the quality and quantity of sleep
3. Exposing children and young people to harmful content
4. Discouraging 'traditional' play and interaction needed to develop healthy emotions and social skills
5. Exacerbating friendship issues and bullying behaviours

the conversation...

The Cyberwise Film Project

Have you seen the films yet? If not take the opportunity to watch them with your child to initiate conversations and support boundaries.



In the news... Social media Ban for under 16s

As you will no doubt be aware, the UK government are currently consulting on this issue. We were invited to speak about it on live BBC Breakfast television. Click [here](#) to play the interview.



We would love you as parents/carers as well as your children to add your voice to the debate. Click this image to access the survey



Whats the difference between tv/film and YouTube?

- YouTube lacks the safety standards and compliance checks of broadcasters - anyone can upload content!
- It is very easy to accidentally access inappropriate content through recommended videos and autoplay
- YouTube, particularly shorts, have a negative impact on our children's attention spans due to their high dopamine hits
- We can often experience meaning and true joy from a TV programme or film - This is rarely the case with a YouTube video

Via google family link, you can now also turn off access to 'shorts'



CALLING ALL PARENTS AND CARERS!



This is your reminder to take the step of sharing in your class whats app group. So many parents want to hold off social media and smartphones for their children but feel they are the only one - why not tell them what you are doing - as this empowers them to do the same!



Hot off the press! Cara is a student cyberwise ambassador at one of our schools and she has written an article about the cyberwise film they have produced which 'First News' have agreed to publish! Well done Cara, we can't wait to read it...

Recommended Resources...

It was great to meet some of you at our Cyberwise parent workshops, both in person at your schools and online. We hope you found the sessions useful. If you were unable to attend, watch this recorded version from the cyberwise page of our website.



Don't forget you can find excellent tutorials on how to set up parental controls [here](#) at Internet matters:

**internet
matters.org**



the conversation...

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

After School Clubs for Term 4 are listed below.

- Choir is still available to book on Arbor.
- Football and mini movers are all bookable through One Touch Football.
- Dodgeball and Taekwondo can all be booked directly with the provider.

Please pay careful attention to the dates of each club as every club is different.

Club	Day	Year group available to	Time	Provider	Location	Cost	Min/Max Numbers	How to book
Eco Club	Monday 2/3, 9/3, 16/3, 23/3	Year 3 to Year 6	3:30 – 4:30	Mrs Want	Grounds	£1.00/session (£4.00 for this term)	Max 12	Full
Football	Monday 23/2, 2/3, 9/3, 16/3, 23/3.	Year 1 to Year 6	3:30 – 4:30	One Touch Football	Field / MUGA, meet in Y3 classroom	Book direct with One Touch Football www.onetouchfootball.co.uk/after-school-clubs/ Please bring a PE kit for the sessions.		
Choir	Tuesday 3/3, 10/3, 17/3, 24/3, 14/4, 21/4, 28/4, 5/5.	Year 3 to Year 6	1.00 – 1.30	Mrs Chapman	Hall	Free	No Max	Arbor Parent Portal
Please note that the choir will be learning songs to perform at our annual music concert during term 4 and term 5. The music concert will be on Wednesday 6th May at 6pm in the school hall. <u>Please only sign up if you can commit to performing in the concert.</u>								
Dodgeball	Tuesday 3/3, 10/3, 17/3, 24/3.	Year 3 to Year 6	3:30 – 4:30	Rutland Dodgeball	Hall	Book direct with Rutland Dodgeball. Please email: rutlanddodgeball@gmail.com to book a place. Please bring a PE kit for the sessions.		
Art / Drawing Club	Tuesday 3/3, 10/3, 17/3, 24/3.	Year 3 and Year 4	3.30 – 4.30	Mrs Eve	Y2 Classroom	£1.00/session (£4.00 for this term)	Max 15	Full



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Spotlight Dance	Wednesday 11/2, 25/2, 4/3, 11/3, 18/3.	Year 4 to Year 6	1.00 – 1.30	Mrs Vaughan	Hall	Free	Max 30	Full
Please note this club will be learning a dance routine to perform at the Stamford Corn Exchange for the <u>Spotlight Dance Shows on the 25th and 26th March 2026.</u>								
Taekwondo	Wednesday 25/2, 4/3, 11/3, 18/3, 25/3	Year 1 to Year 6	3.30 – 4.30	Taekwondo Tigers	Hall	Please contact Master Annabel Murcott, 07714323995 to book a place.		
Mini Movers	Wednesday 25/2, 4/3, 11/3, 18/3, 25/3.	Reception Year 1 and Year 2	3.30 – 4.30	One Touch	Classroom / Playground (weather dependent)	<u>Book direct</u> with One Touch. https://onetouchfootball.co.uk/after-school-clubs/ Please bring a PE kit for the sessions.		
Magical Adventures	Unfortunately, the organiser has decided to cancel this club due to low numbers. Thank you to the parents who did show an interest.							

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



AFTERSCHOOL DODGEBALL

3:30-4:30 TUESDAYS
YEAR 3-6
3RD MARCH- 24TH MARCH

IF YOUR CHILD WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND
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Returning students always welcome, along with those that transfer from other clubs or styles, we try to keep you at the same Belt Level.

Contact Master Annabel Murcott 07714323995



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HOLIDAY CLUB

Age 5-12

Activities:

- EASTER ACTIVITIES
- WILDCRAFT
- CAMPFIRE COOKING
- BUSHCRAFT DAY
- MEET THE ANIMALS

2026 DATES:

- 31 March
- 1 April
- 2 April
- 7 April
- 8 April
- 9 April

HAF PLACES AVAILABLE ON:

- 7 April
- 8 April

Book now at:

www.roec.co.uk
E Mail: office@roec.co.uk

Address:

Wing Hall Farm, Grammas Lane, Wing,
Oakham, Rutland, LE15 8RT

**Please note all activities are subject to change according to weather conditions **

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LOCAL CLUBS AND EVENTS

Mother's Day Craft at Stamford library



Saturday 14th March 10am – 11.30

Join us for a Mother's Day Card Craft!

Create a beautiful handmade tulip card to celebrate someone special. All materials are provided — just bring your creativity and imagination!

Perfect for children and families.

For more information, please speak to a team member or email stamford.library@gll.org



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WRAP AROUND CARE



RYHALL ACADEMY Wrap Around Care

Breakfast Club:



7:30am – 8:50am: £5.85 per child

Afterschool Club:



3:30pm – 5:00pm:
£6.60 per child



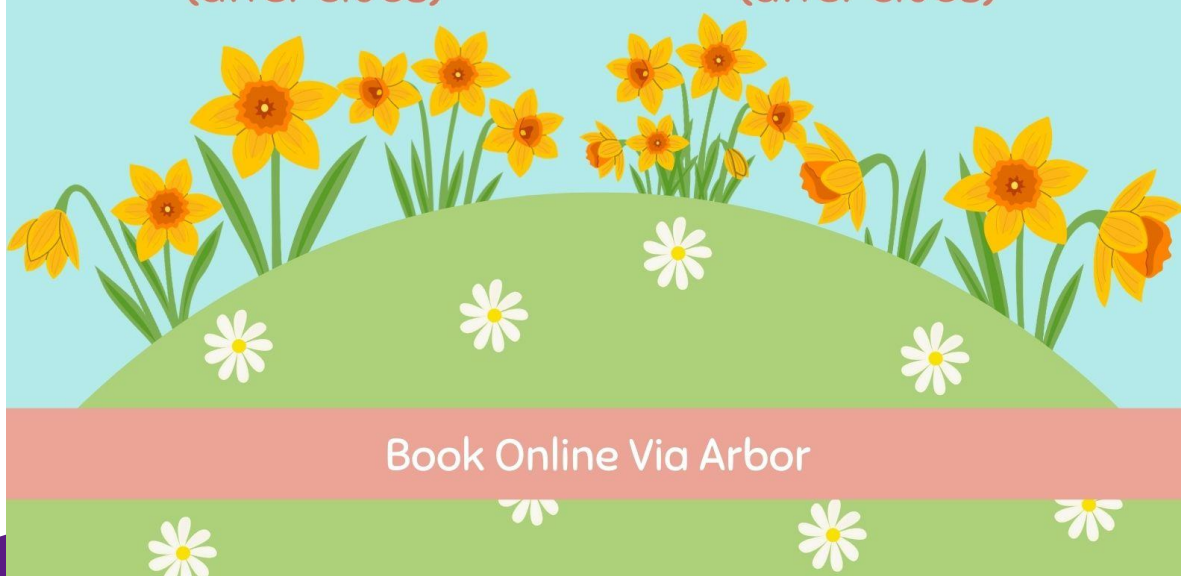
3:30pm – 6:00pm:
£11 per child



4.30pm – 5pm:
£2.20 per child
(after clubs)



4.30pm – 6pm:
£6.60 per child
(after clubs)



Book Online Via Arbor



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION & REMINDERS

We are a nut free school as we have children who are allergic to nuts. Please remember this when preparing packed lunches or snacks and avoid food containing nuts such as chocolate spread and pesto.

If you need to drive to drop off or collect your child, please park with consideration of resident's drives, garages or access to roads. Please remember that parking on zig-zag lines at any time of the day is prohibited to ensure the safety of the children during the busier periods of the day.

A reminder to families to not use the staff car park when either dropping children to school or collecting them – this is purely for the safety of the children and staff. This does apply to drop off and pick up from Wrap Around Care and clubs.

If your child travels home on the bus don't forget to complete the **bus register on Arbor** before 9am on a Monday morning. Booking opens each week on a Friday afternoon.

Contact details for music teachers

Piano – Julia Lamb - jklamb@hotmail.co.uk

Flute – Julie Dearden - jules.swallowhill@gmail.com

Guitar – Jack Parkinson - jackparkinsonmusic@gmail.com

Drums – Rory Hill - rory@noisetuition.com



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Worried About A Child?

Should you have any concerns about a child, please speak to any member of school staff who can, where required, direct you to the relevant people.

Our staff trained to deal with potential safeguarding concerns and worries are:

- Mr A Reed (Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mrs D Jesson (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mrs C Hicks (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mrs E Jagger (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mrs L Garwood (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)



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