



NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 8TH MAY 2026

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(John 10:10)*

Dear Families,

Here are a few updates from the week ahead and from the office overleaf – please take the time to read through for important key messages.

Music Concert celebration: This week, we held our wonderful Music Concert which is a fantastic celebration of the musical achievements of the children who chose to perform. It was an absolute pleasure to listen to the results of their hard work and dedication, which can only be described as exceptional. Children from the choir sang three songs beautifully, and we had performances from those learning Piano, Drums, Guitar and Flute in school, with around 50 children involved.

What a talented group of children we have at Ryhall! Each performer demonstrated bravery, confidence and calmness under pressure whilst sharing their talents with the audience. A huge well done to all of the children involved, and thank you to the staff and organisers who helped make the evening such a memorable event.

SATs Week: Next week, our Year 6 children begin their SATs assessments. While these tests are an important milestone in their primary school journey, we are incredibly proud of each and every child already. Over the years, they have shown resilience, determination, kindness and growth in so many different ways that simply cannot be measured by a test paper.

We know how hard the children and staff have worked in preparation for this week, and we encourage our Year 6 pupils to approach each day with confidence and pride in all they have achieved. Most importantly, we want them to remember that they are valued for who they are, not for a score.

We wish all of our Year 6 children the very best of luck; you have already made us proud. Have a restful weekend before the business of next week!

May Festival Volunteers: Thank you to everyone who completed the Microsoft Forms survey to volunteer at the upcoming May Festival. We have had a fantastic response and the information has now been passed on to FORA, who will be in touch shortly with rotas and further details.

We truly appreciate the community spirit and support that goes into making events like this such a success for our children and families. We will also be sending out a survey soon regarding events for the 2026–2027 academic year and would greatly value your feedback and ideas.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you all next week.

Mr Reed ☺

Dates for your diary

13th May – Y1/Y2 Trip to Hunstanton

14th May – Y2 Rand Farm Park Meeting

18th May – PDET Spotlight Y3

18th May – Casterton College talk to Y4/5 Parents at 3.30pm

22nd May – May Festival

22nd May – End of Summer Term 1

1st June – Start of Summer Term 2

4th June – Y2/Y6 Trip to Peterborough Mosque

16th June – Sports Day (Reserve 23rd June)

22nd June – Y5 Inspiring Science Day

24th June – Y5/6 Play – 2pm and 6pm

25th June – Y6 Brass Performance 2pm



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MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE

Dear Families,

Class Photographs – a separate email has been sent today with details of how to order your class photographs.

Year 6 – we have sent an email home today about the Gala dinner and a brass instrument performance.

Toy Vehicles – Reception's next topic is vehicles. They would love some more to play with. If you have any vehicle toys of any size, please drop them at the office.

Casterton College – a reminder that Carl Smith, principal, will be coming to school on Monday 18th May to talk to Year 4 and Year 5 parents about Casterton College. The talk will be after school in the hall. Please come to the office after you have collected your children. Children are welcome to attend.

May Day Crowns – crowns that were ordered before the original deadline of Wednesday have been sent home today. Any ordered after that will come home on Monday.

Mrs Garwood and Mrs Pacitti



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ATTENDANCE

Class – Top 3	Weekly %
Tolethorpe	100
Rockingham	98.5
Woolsthorpe	98.3

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

Well done to Class who won the Attendance Trophy with % 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	Maddox
Belton	Not awarded
Rockingham	Theo
Burghley	Jackson
Woolsthorpe	Freya
Tolethorpe	Lyla
Hambleton	Heidi & Wilf



LOCAL EVENTS



GIRLS 9+ HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT RUGBY?

PRESIDENTS DAY

 **SUNDAY MAY 10TH**

 **FROM 11AM ONWARDS**

COME AND HAVE A GO AT OUR PRESIDENTS DAY

Whether you're new to rugby or already love the game, come along and give it a try in a fun, friendly and supportive environment!



TO BE FOLLOWED BY
GIRLS MATCHES
THROUGHOUT
THE DAY!

 **COME ALONG, GIVE IT A TRY
AND SEE WHAT RUGBY IS ALL ABOUT!**

 **ALL WELCOME!
NO EXPERIENCE
NEEDED**

 SHOWGROUND WAY,
OFF BURLEY PARK WAY,
OAKHAM, RUTLAND, LE15 7TW

 OAKHAMRFC.COM

 **EXCELLENT FACILITIES**

 **EXPERT COACHING**
DBS CHECKED COACHES

 **FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE**
MAKE NEW FRIENDS

 **FOCUS ON FUN**
ENJOY THE GAME

 **FOR ALL ABILITIES**
ALL WELCOME

WALKING & CYCLING FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

RUTLAND ROUND:

Start	End
Saturday 16/05: Oakham to Wardley (9.5 miles)	
Rutland County Council Offices, Catmose Street LE15 9AZ	A47 northbound lay-by opposite Wardley Village LE15 9AB
Sunday 17/05: Wardley to Seaton (12.5 miles)	
St Botolph's Church, Main street, Wardley LE15 9AZ	Thompsons Lane, Seaton LE15 9HU
Monday 18/05: Seaton to Geeston (10.5 miles)	
Thompsons Lane, Seaton LE15 9HU	The Court House, Geeston PE9 3RH
Tuesday 19/05: Geeston to Tickencote (10 miles)	
The Court House, Geeston PE9 3RH	OK Diner, Tickencote PE9 4AD*
Wednesday 20/05: Tickencote to Thistleton (12 miles)	
OK Diner, Tickencote PE9 4AD	Thistleton Road, Thistleton LE15 7RQ
Thursday 21/05: Thistleton to Oakham (11 miles)	
Thistleton Road, Thistleton LE15 7RQ	Westgate Car Park, Oakham LE15 6AZ*

WEEK 2:

Date and Time	Event	Location and Details
Friday 22nd 10:00 - 11:00	Grow Together: Promoting physical development with balance bikes, yoga and obstacle course	Community Centre, Kendrew Barracks 0 - 5 yrs
Tuesday 26th 09:30 - 10:30	Mini Explorers: Starting with sensory activities in the Family Hub and then a family buggy walk. New families welcome	Family Hub, Oakham 0 yrs- confident walkers
Wednesday 27th 09:00 start	Viking Way Circular Route: 8-9 mile circular route celebrating the anniversary of the Viking Way	Junction of Church Street and Main street, Empingham. LE15 8NY
Wednesday 27th 13:30 - 15:30	MyBike Trade in and Giveaway: Donate old bikes or parts, and we will have bikes to giveaway while stocks last.	Rutland County Council Main Offices, Catmose Street, Oakham
Thursday 28th 09:00 - 11:00	Buggy Walk: Join our friendly antenatal and postnatal walk—bring a buggy or sling, meet others, and enjoy a stroll to the park and back (older siblings welcome; no dogs except service dogs).	Family Hub, Oakham LE15 6HW
Thursday 28th 16:00 - 17:30	Scavenger Hunt: Join our youth scavenger hunt and team up to race through Oakham, explore hidden spots and snap your way to victory! School years 7+	Youth Space, Oakham (access through the Family Hub. LE15 6HW)
Friday 29th 13:30 - 14:30	Social Child: Growing Together promoting physical development with balance bikes, yoga and obstacle courses	Family Hub, Oakham LE15 6HW

*Parking charges will apply

For more information and our booking link - follow the QR code





YOUTH SCAVENGER HUNT!

 **TEAM UP.**

 **EXPLORE.**

 **SNAP.**

 **WIN!**

 **THURSDAY
28TH MAY**

 **4PM - 5:30PM**

 **SCHOOL YEARS 7+**

 **OAKHAM YOUTH SPACE**
Access through the Family Hub

Join our youth scavenger hunt and team up to race through Oakham, explore hidden spots and snap your way to victory!

CAN YOU FIND THEM ALL?

BOOK YOUR PLACE:



This event is part of
Living Well Active's Walking & Cycling Festival







Ryhall Allotment Association

Invites local residents and friends to:

An Open Afternoon at the Allotments

optional:

Best Decorated Container Competition

Any size of barrow/container or home-made!
Adult and child categories

Saturday June 6th 2026 from 2pm
Beef burger or Sausage in a roll
(vegetarian option available on request)
Teas/coffees and cakes also available
Raffle and 100 square
Adult: £5 Under 16: £3

Prizes and rosettes for the winners!
Judges: Taz and Julia from Ryhall Stores



Tickets from: ryhallallotmentcommittee@gmail.com
(Your planter should include a growing/plant element)



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HOLIDAY CLUBS



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Activities**

**Easter, May Half Term &
6 weeks of Summer!**

FROM

£45pp

(per day)

Casterton HOLIDAY CLUB

MAY HALF TERM

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
26 MAY	27 MAY TRIP DAY! Trip to Barnwell Country Park	28 MAY	29 MAY

FUN, FRIENDS & ADVENTURE!
ACTIVITIES, GAMES, CREATIVITY
AND LOTS MORE!

COME AND JOIN THE FUN!

Email us at childcare@castertoncollege.com or book via the Family App



MAY HOLIDAY CLUB



Rutland
Outdoor
Education
Centre

**£45
per day**

Age 5-12

Activities:

- Meet the animals
- Campfire Cooking
- Bushcraft
- Survivor Fun
- Pony Fun
- Minecraft Fun
- Splash Fun

Date:

**26, 27 & 28 MAY
2026**

9am – 3.30pm
Early Drop Off
Available

Book now at:

<https://bookwhen.com>
E Mail: office@roec.co.uk

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Childcare Vouchers Accepted**

Address:

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



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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



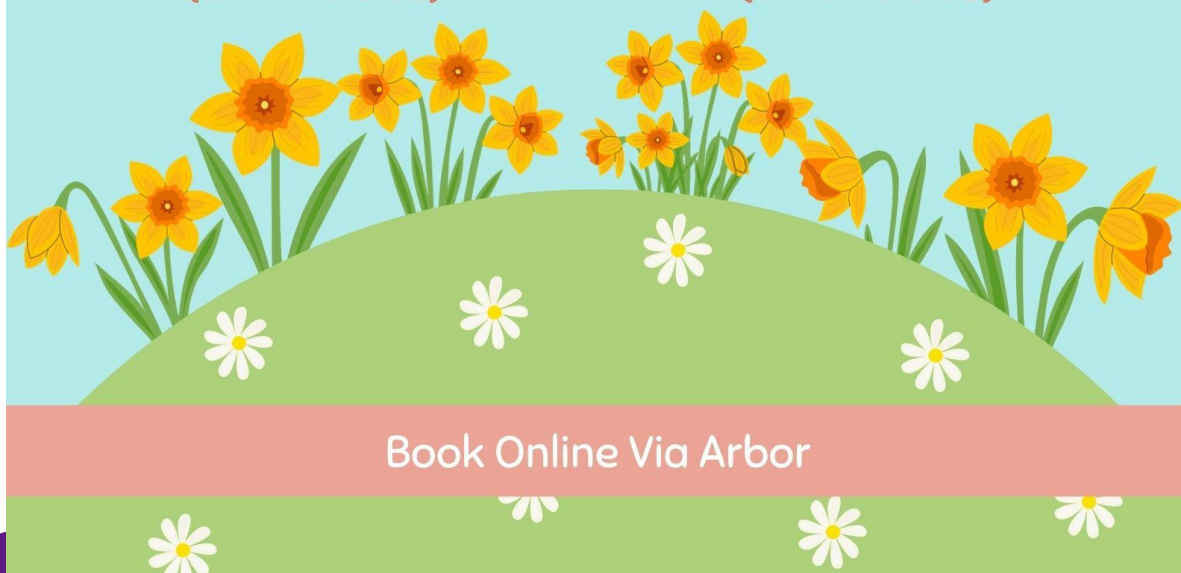
3:30pm – 6:00pm:
£11 per child



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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