



NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 15TH MAY 2026

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(John 10:10)*

Dear Families,

As we approach the penultimate week of term, it has been another busy and exciting week across the school! Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Year 1 & Year 2 Visit Hunstanton: Our Year 1 and Year 2 children enjoyed a fantastic visit to Hunstanton this week. Thankfully, the weather stayed kind to us and the rain held off while the children explored and enjoyed time on the beach! A wonderful day was had by all and the children represented the school brilliantly throughout the trip. Well done to everyone involved.

Year 6 SATS Week: This week, our Year 6 pupils completed their SATS assessments. We are incredibly proud of the commitment, maturity and determination they have shown, not only this week but throughout the year in preparation for these assessments. They have truly done themselves — and us — proud. To celebrate all of their hard work, the children enjoyed the annual Year 6 water fight this afternoon, which was very well deserved!

Year 5 Allotment Visit: Year 5 visited the Ryhall allotments this afternoon as part of our growing outdoor learning opportunities. We are excited that this partnership will continue after half term and will involve all year groups across the school. Please do take the opportunity to ask your children about what their class is currently growing in our school allotment area. We would also like to extend a sincere thank you to the parents who have kindly donated plants for the children to grow and care for.

SEND Plans: For parents of children with a SEND plan, please could we ask that you take some time to read through your child's updated SEND plan and return any comments. Meetings for children in Reception through to Year 5 will take place during the first week back after half term should there be anything further you would like to discuss.

Spotlight Showcase: We would like to wish our Year 3 children the very best of luck as they participate in the Spotlight Showcase on Monday at the Corn Exchange. We know they will represent the school wonderfully and thoroughly enjoy the experience.

Rand Farm Park Residential Information Evening: To the families of our current Year 2 children, Mrs Pacitti has sent out the slides shared during the meeting, along with the notes taken from Kay, who came to present. It was wonderful to see such excitement from both the children and parents, and we are already looking forward to the trip! If any parents who weren't able to attend would like more information, please have a look through the slides and come and speak to myself, Mrs Richardson, Mrs Crooks, or Mrs Pacitti who were all in the meeting.

Walk to School Week - we are encouraging children to walk to school next week where possible. Or you could park a little further away and walk in. Our Y6 travel ambassadors will be monitoring this, and it will be celebrated at the end of the week.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Reed ☺

Dates for your diary

18th May – Walk to School Week

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 – the deadline for ordering class photographs is Friday 22nd May. Please see email sent 8th May.

May Festival – A separate email has gone out today with collection arrangements for the May Festival. Please read and if you are not collecting your child immediately after the dancing there is an action required. FORA are collecting for the Tombola any suitable items can be brought to the office by next Wednesday.

Crown Competition – please return any decorated crowns to your classes on Thursday. These will be judged and prizes awarded after the afternoon dances on Friday.

Casterton College – Carl Smith will be at school on Monday at 330pm to talk about his school. This is aimed at Y4 and Y5 parents. Please come to the office after collecting your children. Children are welcome to attend.

Y3 Spotlight – remember to bring a packed lunch and a packed dinner on Monday. You can come in wearing the costumes. Collection is at 7.15pm outside Nelson's butchers (top of Ironmonger Street). If you ordered a Kingswood Trip lunch that will be taken with us.

Mrs Garwood and Mrs Pacitti



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LOCAL EVENTS



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)



WALKING & CYCLING FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

RUTLAND ROUND:

Start	End
Saturday 16/05: Oakham to Wardley (9.5 miles)	
Rutland County Council Offices, Catmos Street LE15 6HP	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*

*Parking charges will apply

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, Catmos 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



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

LOCAL EVENTS



What's on this school holiday? at Stamford Library

The Honey Bees are Back!	
Stamford and Bourne Beekeepers Association: Busy Bees and tasty Honey	Saturday 23rd May 10.00am – 3.30pm
Kids Craft Activity	
Bugs, Bees and Butterflies. A Free craft activity for 5-11 yrs. No need to book.	Tuesday 26th May 10.00am – 11.30am
Storytime	
A delightful half-hour for the under 5s. Gather for fun stories and rhymes	Sat 23rd and Sat 30th 11.00am – 11.30am
Mini-crafternoon	
Get creative with your pre-schoolers and have fun discovering your crafty side.	Wednesday 27th May 2.00pm – 3.00pm
Storytime	
A delightful half-hour for the under 5s. Gather for fun stories and rhymes	Wednesday 27th May 11.00am – 11.30am
Lego Play	
Lego will be available during the holidays for you to create and enjoy!	Saturday 23rd May to Saturday 30th May

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HOLIDAY CLUB
MAY HALF TERM

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26 MAY	27 MAY	28 MAY	29 MAY

TRIP DAY!
Trip to Barnwell Country Park

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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
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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



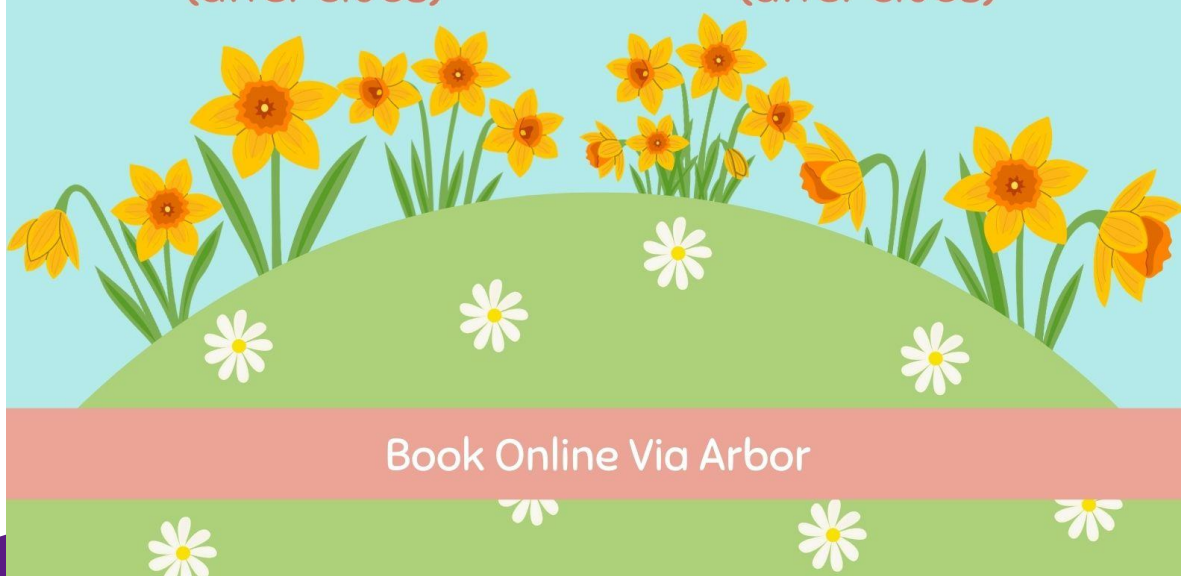
3:30pm – 6:00pm:
£11 per child



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



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



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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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