



Weekly news from Ravenshead C of E

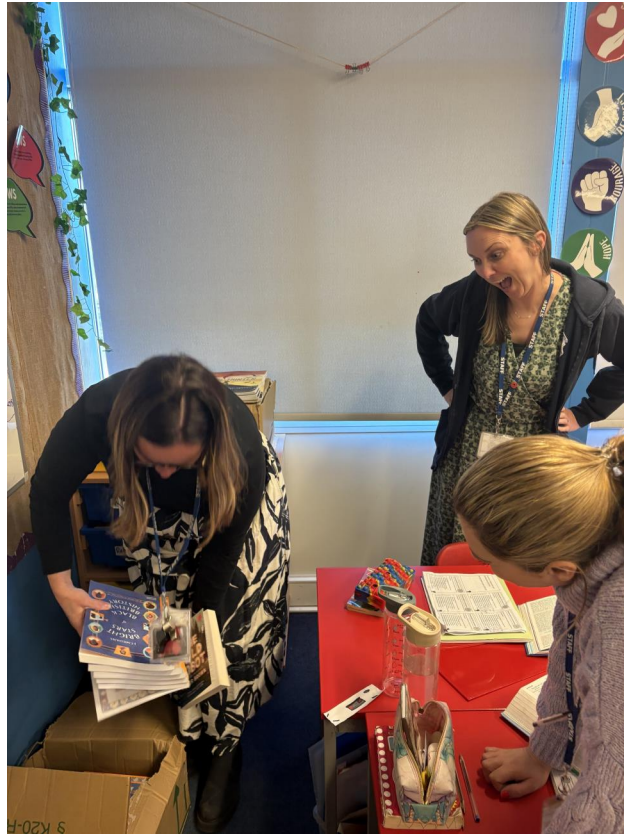
Thank you to our wonderful PTFA!

We would like to extend a huge thank you to our incredible PTFA for all of their hard work and dedication this term. From organising fantastic events such as the fashion shows and discos, to the ever-popular Wonka bar sales and clothing swaps, they have once again gone above and beyond to support our school community.

We are also very much looking forward to the Easter Trail taking place over the holidays – another exciting opportunity for families to get involved.

Thanks to the funds raised, we have been able to purchase new books for the children to enjoy in school. The teachers have been delighted to share these with the children, helping to further nurture a love of reading across the school.

Thank you PTFA! :)





Parents' Evening Reminder



We are looking forward to welcoming many of you to Parents' Evening next week. These meetings are a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress and celebrate their achievements.

Appointments will take place in your child's classroom, so please come directly to either the KS1 or KS2 building, where doors will be open on arrival.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Welcome to our new school cook – Taster Sessions



We are delighted to share that Nottinghamshire County Council have recently appointed a new school cook for us – Brett, who started this week.

To give you the opportunity to meet Brett and sample some of the delicious food on offer, we will be hosting ‘taster sessions’ during Parents’ Evening next week. Brett and the team will be based in the **KS2 Hall** from **4–6pm on Tuesday** and **4–5pm on Wednesday**.

Please do come along, say hello and enjoy a taste of what’s on the menu!

If you would like to discuss any dietary requirements for your child, please contact Brett via the school office.

Message from the PTFA



World book day fundraiser buys books!

We raised over £1,000 from our Wonky bar World book day celebrations. This money has been put straight back into books for our school. These books will support teachers to deliver English with a book per pair in KS2 and adds to the selection of books in KS1. Thank you for your amazing generosity!



Our lovely friends at Gascoines estate agents have donated the prizes for the end of our Easter Trail for every map bought. We have added 5 additional prizes for lucky winners which will be randomly picked from the handed in maps at the end of the holidays. The trail will be up for the whole of the Easter holidays so you can enjoy it whenever you find yourself at a loose end. Maps are on sale from the office or online at <https://www.pta-events.com/ravensheadcofeschoolptfa/>



Blue Tokens

One more week to go on our Blue Token Tesco vote. We are doing so well, please continue to support us if you are out doing your shop this weekend. Remember every penny will go straight into our SEND nurture provision!



Meningitis

*We have been asked to share the information below from the Nottinghamshire County Council Public Health Team. This information has gone out to **ALL** schools in the County.*

You may have seen news stories about the meningitis cases in Kent. We know this can be worrying but would like to reassure you that this situation is very rare, and we have not seen cases linked to the outbreak here in Nottinghamshire. Meningitis is passed on through close contact with another person and the risk of catching it is low. However, it can be very serious if not treated quickly, so we encourage all parents of children and young people and students to be aware of the signs and symptoms:

- Sudden onset of high temperature (fever)
- Severe and worsening headache
- Stiff neck
- Vomiting and diarrhoea
- Joint and muscle pain
- Dislike of bright lights
- Very cold hands and feet
- Seizures (fits)
- Confusion/delirium
- Extreme sleepiness/difficulty waking
- A rash that doesn't fade when pressed with a glass

MenB vaccines are only available on the NHS to those aged under 2 years, unless you are in the specific groups being offered it in response to the Kent outbreak. Other free vaccines also protect against diseases that can cause meningitis. We encourage families and young people to check whether they have missed any of their routine vaccinations. You can do this by contacting your GP practice online or by phone.

The school vaccination service is offering catch-up clinics for secondary school aged children over the Easter holidays. See [SAIS catch-up clinics | Nottinghamshire County Council](#) for further information.

For more information, please see:

[Meningitis - NHS](#)

[Meningitis: Parents, young people and students urged to check vaccination status - NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB](#)

MenACWY vaccination information (offered to young people in Year 9 or 10, catch-up vaccination available free before 25th birthday):

[MenACWY vaccine: information for young people - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/menacwy-vaccine)

[Meningitis and septicaemia – information for students in schools and sixth form colleges \(text only\) - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/meningitis-septicaemia)

Nottinghamshire County Council Public Health Team

A poster with a dark background and a brick wall texture. It features a UK Health Security Agency logo in the top left, a 'Meningitis now' logo in the top right, and a photograph of three young people sitting on a ledge. The poster is divided into sections with white and yellow text boxes. The main title is 'MENINGITIS + SEPTICAEMIA'. Below it, a paragraph explains the conditions. A yellow box lists early symptoms. Two sections, 'MENINGITIS SYMPTOMS?' and 'SEPTICAEMIA SYMPTOMS?', each have a list of symptoms. A final yellow box at the bottom states that early treatment can be life-saving.

UK Health Security Agency

MENINGITIS + SEPTICAEMIA

Meningitis is a serious condition where the protective layers around the brain and spinal cord become inflamed. Septicaemia is when the bacteria enter the bloodstream to cause blood poisoning. They can happen to anyone, so it's important to know the symptoms and risks.

Early symptoms, such as fever, vomiting, aches, muscle pain, cold hands and feet and headaches, can look similar to common illnesses like colds or flu. But someone with meningitis or septicaemia will usually become seriously ill in a matter of hours. That's why it's crucial to keep checking on anyone who is unwell.

MENINGITIS SYMPTOMS?

- fever
- a very bad headache (this alone is not a reason to get medical help)
- vomiting
- stiff neck
- dislike of bright lights
- rash (DO NOT wait for a rash to appear before seeking medical advice)
- confusion, delirium
- severe sleepiness, losing consciousness
- fits

SEPTICAEMIA SYMPTOMS?

- fever and shivering
- severe pains and aches in limbs and joints
- vomiting
- very cold hands and feet
- pale or blotchy skin
- rapid breathing
- diarrhoea and stomach cramps
- red or purple 'bruised' or blotchy rash on skin that does not fade under pressure - do the glass test. On dark skin, check paler areas of the skin, such as the palms of the hands, soles of the feet, inside the mouth (roof), and the eyelids
- difficulty walking or standing
- severe sleepiness, losing consciousness

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OPAL



Sunshine, Outdoor Lunches & Magical Potions!

We've had a truly lovely week enjoying the sunshine at OPAL. The children have been making the most of the beautiful weather, and one of our favourite highlights has been eating lunch outdoors together. It's been wonderful to see everyone soaking up the fresh air and enjoying a relaxed, cheerful atmosphere. Another exciting addition to our outdoor area this week is our brand-new **Potions Station**! Designed to spark imagination and creativity, this space has quickly become a firm favourite. Children have been busy mixing and experimenting with goblets, test tubes, pipettes, and a whole range of curious ingredients. Of course, the most magical part has been discovering what each potion is *for*! From super-speed elixirs to dragon-taming brews, the ideas have been as inventive as they are delightful. We can't wait to see what enchantments the children dream up next!





Roll of Honour



Please feel free to share with us any significant achievements your children have made at home e.g. 10m swimming badge, so we can share them in next week's newsletter and during our 'Celebration Assembly' on a Friday.

Please click on the link to fill in the details of their achievement. We love sharing them!

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Elodie	Y1	Elodie's confidence in swimming has grown tremendously over the past few weeks. We are very proud of her for facing her fears and always trying her best!
Ada	Y1	Well done to Ada who has passed her Level 7 in Gymnastics!
Lucy	Y5	Lucy wrote a poem book called Nature's Walk and was awarded a green Blue Peter badge!
Thomas	Y5	Thomas successfully took part in a 2 night theatre production of Alice In Wonderland this week. He played the part of King of Hearts and delivered his 16 lines perfectly along with comedy acting. Super job Thomas!
Evie	Y4	Evie got player of the match last Sunday at her football game. Well done Evie!
Isabelle	Y4	Isabelle swam in her first open meet last weekend and did amazingly well! She came away with 4 medals and was a fantastic team mate poolside. Well done Isabelle! 🏆

Term Dates



The term dates for the academic year (including INSET days), can be found on the school website - <https://www.ravensheadcofeprimary.co.uk/term-dates/>

Spring Term 2026 – Diary Dates	
Tuesday 24 th March	Parent Consultations – in classrooms, 3:45 – 7:00pm
Wednesday 25 th March	Parent Consultations – in classrooms, 3:45 – 5:00pm
Thursday 26 th March	Foundation only - Easter Craft Day Easter Music Concert - 6:00pm (Parents/ Carers)
Friday 27 th March	Last day of term!

Christian Values in school



These children have been showing our Christian Values in school this week:

Hawks - Jessica

Wolves - Georgie

Robins - Albert

Golden Eagles - Alice

Squirrels - Poppy

Foxes - Conor

Deer - George

Owls - Ava

Rabbits - Elodie

Woodpeckers - Hadley

Coming up next week.....



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Next week's school dinners



Don't forget you have until **9:30am each day** to sign your child up for a delicious school dinner.

All dietary needs are catered for and the school dinners are free for children in F2, Y1 and Y2.

For children in F1, Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 they cost **£3.16**.

Please message the office to order a school meal, before 9.30am, on the day.

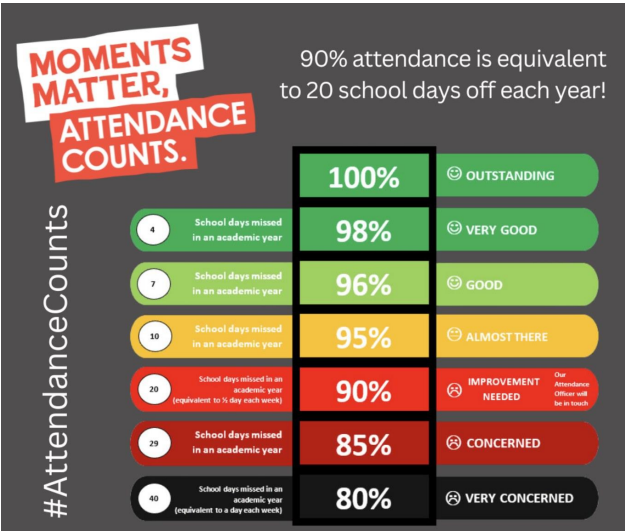
My School Menu
Winter 2025 - 2026
Week commencing
 17th November, 8th December,
 14th January, 9th February,
 2nd March, 23rd March

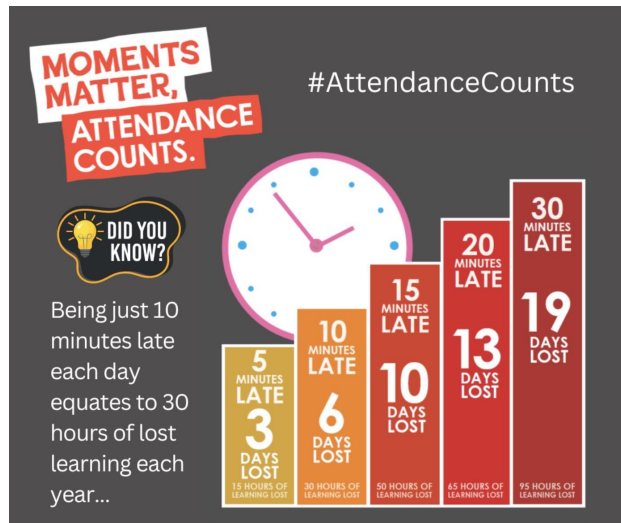
Taste of Asia

Week 3

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Quorn Mustard teriyaki Udon noodles Gluten Soya with a vegetable spring roll Gluten Egg Milk Soya Celery	Beef chilli With Rice & nachos	Roast meat of the day with Yorkshire pudding Milk Egg Gluten roast potatoes, carrots, broccoli & gravy	Honey chicken filled bao bun Gluten Soya Sesame with sticky rice & crunchy vegetable sticks	Chip shop style fish 'n' chips Gluten Fish with curry sauce Celery, Egg, Milk, Mustard, Soya, Gluten & peas
SSS	Jacket potato available daily, served with your choice of: baked beans & cheese Milk or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg				
Pudding	Zesty lemon & lime jelly with a cookie Gluten	Iced carrot cake Gluten Egg Sulphur Dioxide	Chocolate Cracknell Gluten Milk	Butterscotch shortcake Gluten Milk Soya	JimJam 'Nut Free' Chocolate brownie Egg Milk Gluten

Attendance Matters





Safeguarding



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If you have any Safeguarding concerns, please contact one of the Safeguarding leads using the email addresses listed below:

Mrs Johnson (head@ravenshead.notts.sch.uk)

Mrs Keightley (sophiekeightley@ravenshead.notts.sch.uk)

Mrs Soley (sarahsoley@ravenshead.notts.sch.uk)

Miss Sutcliffe (alexsutcliffe@ravenshead.notts.sch.uk)