



Weekly news from Ravenshead C of E

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!



We would like to say a big thank you to Mr Widdowson, a parent in our school, who has so kindly donated two beautiful Christmas trees. One now stands proudly in the KS2 hall, and the other is lighting up the front of school for everyone to enjoy.

The children have loved helping to decorate the trees this week, and the school has been filled with festive cheer as we've sung Christmas songs together while admiring the wonderful lights. It has truly created some magical *awe and wonder* moments for us all.

Children in Need donations...thank you!



A huge thank you to everyone who donated to **Children in Need** this year. Thanks to your generosity, we are delighted to share that we raised **£275**.

Your support helps to make a real difference, and we are incredibly grateful to our whole school community for coming together for such an important cause.

Message from the PTFA





**PTA CHRISTMAS RUN UP
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

5TH DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS JUMPER BRING AND BUY DAY!
Friday 5th December

Donate your old Christmas jumpers to school in the morning
Buy a new one for the festive season in the afternoon for just £1!!!
Jumper Sale 5/12/25 Reception 3.15pm until 3.45pm.

10TH DECEMBER 3:30-5:00

DISCO

Our Christmas disco is now open to book. KSI will have a disco or Christmas film and their treat bags and KS2 will have our usual resident DJ and tuck shop. With some surprise special guests coming along.
Book your tickets at <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/ravensheadcofeschoolpta/>

19TH DECEMBER
BREAK THE RULES CHRISTMAS TREAT DAY

Bring your crazy Christmas outfits and break all the rules
We will be too!
Santa will be delivering hot chocolates to KS2 and Reindeer chocolate lollies to KSI
£1 to class teachers on the day

We are ready for our Christmas marathon, are you?

Grab your disco at <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/ravensheadcofeschoolpta/>

From Revd Kate and the team at St. Peter's



St Peter's Christmas Tree Festival

Come and see a magical array of trees decorated by community organisations

Open to view
Friday 5th December 3-7pm,
Saturday 6th Dec 11am-6pm and
Sunday 7th Dec 12noon-4.30pm

No charge for entry - Donations welcome. Home-baked refreshments available.

Singing from Sprinkle of Swara
1.00pm on Saturday

Carols around the trees
4.30pm on Saturday

St Peter's Gilbert & Sullivan Society Concert
7pm on Sunday

ST PETER'S CHURCH
Ravenshead

Our Christmas Tree Festival is back for a second year!

We open to the public a week on Friday (5th Dec) with the church decked with beautiful trees contributed by members of our community. You are most welcome to pop in.

There will be refreshments in the foyer with lots of home-baked goods. Seasonal craft activities will be available in the lounge, as well as a vast array of sparkling trees in the main body of the church. On Saturday at 1pm Sprinkle of Swara who 'decorate life with music and embrace neurodiversity' will give a short performance. At 4.30pm on Saturday there will be a chance to sing or listen to carols among the trees.

The event is free of charge but donations will be gratefully received to help cover costs. It promises to be a lovely way to start the season, with plenty for people of all ages to enjoy. We hope to see you there.

OPAL



A huge thank you to **Mr Godfrey**, a parent of children in F1 and Year 2, who very kindly spent the day (as part of his work's volunteering scheme) building a wonderful new **reading area** for OPAL play. He worked non-stop and also helped to create some **log stepping stones** in KS1 and a **log circle** in KS2.

The children have already enjoyed exploring the new areas that have been created for them during OPAL play — they were even trying to stand on the logs while we were still moving them into place!

The idea for the reading area came from **Grace M in Year 5**, and she came out to help line it with artificial grass, which added the final touches. The plan is to add some decorations and then stock it with books for the children to enjoy.

Donation plea:

If you are having a pre-Christmas toy clear-out, please consider donating any of the following items to school:

- **Lego**
- **Action figures**
- **Dolls**
- **Barbies**
- **Dinosaurs**
- **Toy cars**
- **Plastic animals**

These will all be used to create new areas for the children (current plans are to create a track for the cars and to create a bathtub dinosaur world)!





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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Eden	Y2	Eden has moved up a level at swimming. She has worked really hard to achieve this
		Well done Lucci!
		We're so proud of you for joining Ravenshead's Reds and smashing it already. Scoring 2 goals three weeks ago was amazing, and giving it your all again this week with more great attempts just shows how hard you're trying. Keep going, you're doing brilliantly.
Lucci	Y4	Love, Mum and Dad Xx
Luca	Y4	Luca won his basketball game this week and won player of the match. Well done Luca were really proud of you.
		Ava recently passed her dance exams. Not only did she pass, but she was awarded the highest mark award by the examiner in her rock n roll exam! Well done Ava!
Ava	Y2	She has also now got her bronze award in gymnastics!
Amber	Y6	Well done Amber for your fantastic swimming at your recent club champs.

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/>

AUTUMN TERM 2025 - Diary Dates

Monday 1 st December	5pm- F1 new starter meeting
Wednesday 3 rd December	KS1 Nativity to parents at school – 10am/ 2pm
Thursday 4 th December	PM – Y4 Rehearsal at the church 3.45-4.45- New F1 stay and play
Friday 5 th December	AM - Foundation Church Trip PM – Y4 Rehearsal at the church PTA Christmas jumper swap Christmas Dinner Day
Wednesday 10 th December	PM – Y4 Rehearsal at the church FSU Nativity at school – 2.30pm PTA Christmas Disco
Thursday 11 th December	PM – Y4 Rehearsal at the church FSU Nativity at school – 2.30pm
Friday 12 th December	Y4 Nativity to parents at the church – 10am/ 2pm Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 15 th December	Christingle Service – children only
Tuesday 16 th December	Nativity Service – children only
Wednesday 17 th December	'Carols around the tree' 6:00pm – Parents
Thursday 18 th December	Choir singing at King's Mill (9am – 9:30am) FSU Christmas Craft Day
Friday 19 th December	Last day! PTA Break the Rules day (The children can bring a non-expensive toy in to play with)

Christian Values in school



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

	Hawks	Amber
	Wolves	Ava
	Robins	Grace
	Golden Eagles	---
	Squirrels	Isabelle
	Foxes	Scarlett
	Deer	Izzy
	Owls	Kit
	Rabbits	Jack
	Woodpeckers	Elliott

Coming up next week.....



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Friday 5th December - PTA Christmas jumper swap

Friday 5th December - Christmas Dinner Day

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.

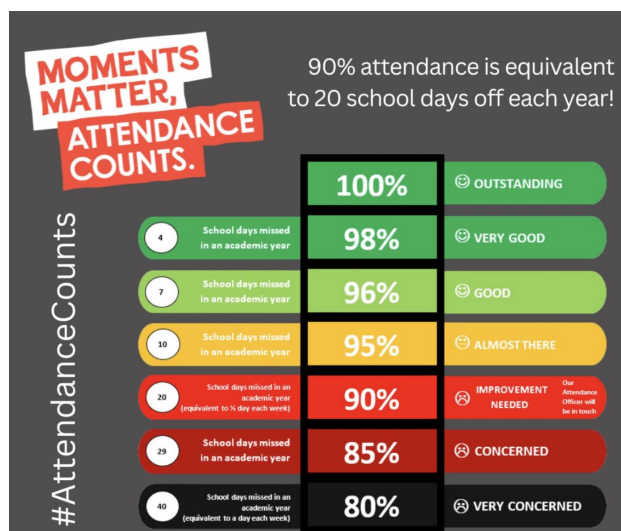
My School Menu
Winter 2025 - 2026
Week commencing
 10th November, 1st December,
 12th January, 2nd February,
 23rd February, 16th March

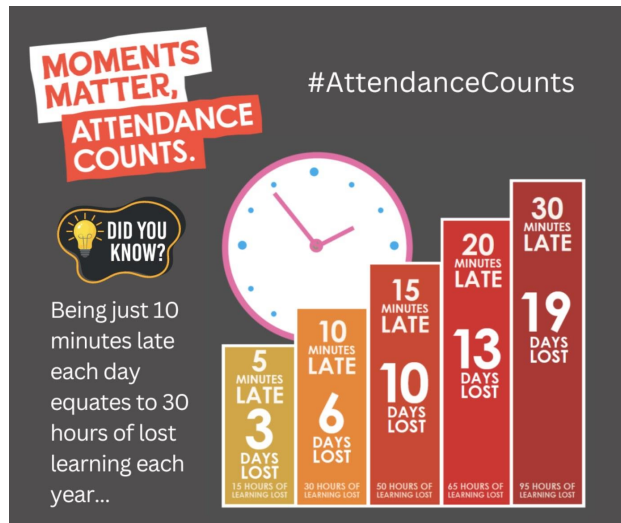
Taste of India

Week 2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Cheesy Naan bread pizza Milk Gluten with Bombay potatoes	All day brunch Nottinghamshire sausage Gluten Sulphur Dioxide & bacon with hash browns, baked beans & scrambled eggs Egg Milk	Roast meat of the day with Yorkshire pudding Milk Egg Gluten roast potatoes, carrots, broccoli & gravy	Loaded Chicken Biryani Chapati's Gluten with a tomato, red onion & mint salad	Tempura battered MSC Pollock taco Gluten Soya Fish with curried veg slaw Egg & oven chips
W	Jacket potato available daily, served with your choice of: baked beans & cheese Milk or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg				
Pudding	Chocolate & orange cookie Gluten	New York cheesecake Gluten Soya Milk	Sticky toffee pudding Milk Egg Gluten with custard Milk	Chocolate brownie Gluten	JimJam 'nut free' chocolate croissant Gluten Milk

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:

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