



Weekly news from Ravenshead C of E

Harvest Donations



This year, we are celebrating our Harvest Festivals on Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th October. Celebrations will be taking part in school with the service being led by our wonderful Worship Leaders.



Our Harvest contributions will be supporting The Beacon Project, a local charity that provides care and practical help for homeless men and women in Mansfield. We are collecting tins and packets of food. Items with ring pulls and those that only require boiling water (such as noodle pots) are especially useful, along with snacks like crisps and chocolate bars.

The Beacon Project also urgently needs toiletries, including razors and feminine hygiene products.

If you are able to provide any donations, they will be gratefully received. **The children can start bringing donations in from Monday 13th October and we will take them to The Beacon Project on Thursday 16th October.**

Message from the PTFA



Wow! What an amazing Scarecrow Festival we had, despite the weather. We had 18 scarecrows dotted around the village. There was Batman and Robin, ET, a scouts picnic, Minnie Mouse and Rapunzel. Our winner of the best scarecrow competition was Spider Man.



With the support of everyone buying trail maps and yummy treats from our cake stall we managed to raise over £500 to go towards new equipment for our fantastic Forest School.

Next week your children will be coming home with their Christmas card works of art. These are order forms for you to buy personalised Christmas cards. When you log on you will see that you can also buy mugs and coasters with your children's designs and for the first time this year, tea towels. Every card you buy helps to raise more money for our school.



Coming up after half term we have the return of Penny Wars. “Take care of the pennies and the pounds will take care of themselves!”

Each class will have a jar to collect all your loose change. The class with the highest filled pot at the end of the term will be awarded a prize, so get looking down the back of the sofa!

CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING

PRIORY WOOD FLOWERS
& RAVENSHEAD C OF E PTFA

SATURDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2025

£55

INCLUDING GLASS OF PROSECCO
AND HOMEMADE MINCE PIE



11.30AM-2PM & 3-5.30PM

RAVENSHEAD C OF E SCHOOL HALL
SWINTON RISE, RAVENSHEAD

CONTACT RAVENSHEAD C OF E PTA
TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT:
WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/RAVENSHEADCOTESCHOOLPTFA/
RAVENSHEADCOTESCHOOLPTA@YAHOO.COM



OPAL



It has been another busy week for OPAL play! The children have been thrilled to explore our brand-new sandpit for the very first time. Each year group has had a turn throughout the week, and Foundation are eagerly awaiting their go on Monday! The children have loved digging, shaping, and creating in the sand — using their hands and imagination to bring their ideas to life.

You may also have noticed the arrival of two large tents — one in KS1 and one in KS2. These will become lovely social spaces where children can relax, chat with friends, and enjoy some quieter playtime moments. If you have any unwanted cushions or blankets at home, we'd be so grateful for donations to help make the tents extra comfy and welcoming. The children were fascinated watching them go up and gave Mrs Keightley plenty of enthusiastic advice as she worked!

This week, lots of children have also been busy helping with OPAL projects — moving resources around the site, building the tents, setting grass seed, making bird scarers for the sandpit, and even starting to tidy up the Never Never Corner. Their teamwork, enthusiasm and efficiency have made a huge difference to what we've been able to achieve.

Our next project is to create a beautiful reading area, where children can sit, relax and enjoy a good book outdoors. We can't wait to see this next stage of OPAL play come to life.

From Revd Kate and the team at St. Peters

As well as our community Harvest Celebration this Sunday in church, there is a Sunday@Four Children and Families event in the Centre.

The Harvest Celebration in church is at 10.30am and everyone is welcome to come and worship together, bringing any donations that you have for the Beacon Project (toiletries and unperishable food items) or for Tearfund (monetary gifts), for which very many thanks.

In the afternoon at 4pm, we will be exploring through crafts, games, stories and song the theme of 'Salt and Light'. This is the second service in our series about Meeting Jesus on the Mountain. The events ends with a free sandwich supper for adults and children to enjoy together.

Everyone is welcome to either service. For more information, or to let us know about any dietary requirements please contact Revd Kate on 01623 452431 or CJ in the office:

ravensheadstpeterschurch@gmail.com



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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Bella	Y6	Bella plays for ravenhead reds and they not only had their first win on Sunday but they won 6-0! We are all so proud of their progress since starting the ravenesses team in September! COYR
Vincenzo	Y2	Vincenzo played for his football team (Ravenhead Reds) at the weekend. He played in goal and then out of goal and scored - winning joint player of the match and getting a trophy to keep for the week. Well done Vincenzo! Xxx
Jacob	Y1	Well done Jacob on passing your level 1 swimming, keep up the good work we are so proud of you!
Annabelle	Y4	Annabelle successfully swam in her first club championship winning the 8 year old category for 25m backstroke and 100m freestyle. Well done Annabelle, Mummy and Daddy are very proud of you x
Myles	Y2	Well done Myles for getting your 15metre badge at swimming!

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	
Tuesday 14 th October	KS2 Harvest Festival at the school – children only
Wednesday 15 th October	FSU PSED Learning Together Day KS1 Harvest Festival at the school – children only
Half Term	
Monday 10 th November	Anti bullying week: Power for Good Odd socks day
Wednesday 19 th November	2.45pm- FSU Phonics Parent Workshop
Friday 21 st November	Children in Need
Thursday 27 th November	FSU Phonics Learning Together Day
Saturday 29 th November	PTA Christmas wreath making
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
Wednesday 10 th December	PM – Y4 Rehearsal at the church FSU Nativity at school – 2.30pm PTA Christmas Disco and Christmas jumper swap
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 Dinner Day 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	George
	Wolves	Archie
	Robins	Nellie Alex Lucy
	Golden Eagles	Archie Natasha
	Squirrels	Anicca
	Foxes	Evelyn
	Deer	Robyn
	Owls	Ted
	Rabbits	Harvey
	Woodpeckers	Rui

Coming up next week.....



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Wednesday 15th October - FSU PSED Learning Together Day

Wednesday 15th October - KS1 Harvest Festival at the school – *children only*

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.

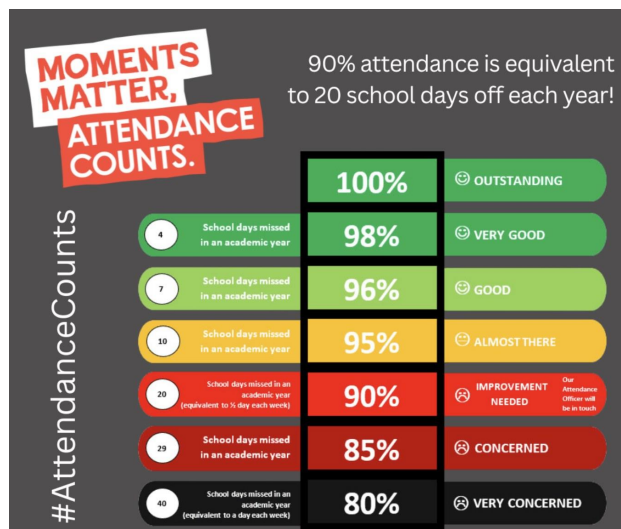
My School Menu
Spring/Summer 2025

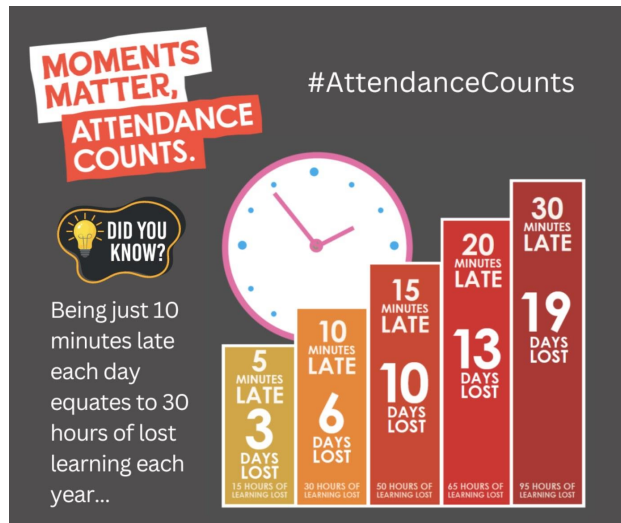
Week 1
Week commencing
21 April, 12 May,
2 June, 23 June,
14 July,
1 Sept, 22 Sept,
13 October

Beef burger
Wednesdays

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Vegetarian roll Soya Milk Gluten with seasonal vegetables or baked beans	BBQ cheesy chicken Milk with roasted new potatoes & seasonal vegetables	Beef burger Egg Sesame Gluten Sulphur Dioxide OR Southern fried Quorn burger Milk Egg Sesame Gluten with oven chips, baked beans & peas	Yorkshire pudding wrap Milk Egg Gluten filled with roast meat of the day, roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables & gravy	Breaded fish Fish Gluten with jacket wedges, sweetcorn & peas
Option 2	Jacket potato served with your choice of: baked beans & cheese Milk or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg	Jacket potato served with your choice of: baked beans & cheese Milk or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg	Jacket potato served with your choice of: baked beans & cheese Milk or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg	Jacket potato served with your choice of: baked beans & cheese Milk or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg	Jacket potato served with your choice of: baked beans & cheese Milk or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg
Available Daily	Sandwich Gluten Soya Fillings: cheese Milk, ham or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg, mixed salad, crisps fruit or frube yogurt Milk, or pudding of the day				
Pudding	Honey & oat cookie Gluten	Chocolate muffin Egg Gluten	Ice cream tub Milk	Cornflake tart Gluten Sulphur Dioxide with custard Milk	Chocolate brownie 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)