



Weekly news from Ravenshead C of E



Welcome back to the start of a very busy Summer Term! I hope that you all managed to have a relaxing Easter break - the children have certainly all come back refreshed, happy and ready to go! :)

Towards the end of the newsletter, you will see an overview of the updated key dates for the Summer Term. Please do take a look at these as with all of the trips, visitors and sports days it is going to be a very busy final few months!

Opal



It was absolutely wonderful to see so many parents and carers join us for our recent **Opal Stay and Play** event! The atmosphere was buzzing, and it was heartwarming to see the children so proudly sharing their play experiences with the adults.

Many commented on the joyful, inclusive spirit of the afternoon, and it was clear that the children loved being the experts – confidently explaining the rules, demonstrating how to mitigate risks, and showcasing exactly what Opal play is all about. It was a truly valuable experience for everyone involved. Have a look for yourself by visiting

https://youtu.be/KT1_Q1KmS8E

The event was such a success that we're already looking into repeating it in the future. If you did attend, we'd really appreciate your feedback via our quick and easy questionnaire. You can complete it here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/HEcY9RuFFk>

We're now 12 months into our 18-month Opal journey and recently had a pre-audit ahead of our final assessment in September. We're thrilled to share that **we've already achieved Gold status!**

But we're not stopping there. The next phase is all about **developing our school grounds** even further to make play even more incredible. As part of this, we'll be holding an exciting **Opal Big Build Day**, where children and adults alike can come together and get creative – building everything from pallet houses to ships and outdoor seating. The possibilities are endless!

To make this happen, we need your help. If you know anyone who can donate **loose parts**, please reach out to Mrs Keightley via Class Dojo. We're especially looking for:

- Pallets
- Cable reels (any size)
- Planks of wood
- Den-building materials
- Traffic cones
- Gravel, bark chippings
- Drainpipes or guttering

A **huge thank you** to everyone who has supported Opal so far – your donations, time, and encouragement have been vital. Special thanks to our amazing **PTA**, whose generous funding has helped bring Opal to life and will continue to support its growth.

Here's to even more imaginative, joyful, and adventurous play ahead!

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

I hope you had a lovely Easter holiday and enjoyed some of the wonderful sunshine!

We're continuing to celebrate Easter at church and this Sunday is our special Easter Event for children and families. You'd be most welcome to come along with your children. We meet at 4pm in the Centre next door to St. Peter's church on Sheepwalk Lane.

We will be exploring the Easter story through games, activities, songs, prayers and craft, including an Egg Hunt. We will end with a free sandwich supper for adults and children to enjoy together. Please do let us know of any special dietary requirements or for more information do get in touch with the office at 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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Albert	Y4	Albert cheered on the runners at the Brighton Marathon (including Mummy) with lots of enthusiasm helping to get them round! He hi-fived over 300 hundred runners ☺☺ Well done on being such a positive presence!
Samuel	Y1	Congratulations on achieving your Stage 2 swimming award over the holidays! Well done :) x
Zachary	Y1	Competed in his first motocross race weekend of the season. He did so well and is currently 14th in the championship. He is competing against some much more experienced children but has put his absolute heart and soul into it. He brought home a new trophy and we have some great pictures too.
Lenny	Y2	Lenny enjoyed lots of soccer schools in the holidays and at one of them he received the coaches special football for being a fantastic goalkeeper! Well done Lenny x
Albert	Y4	Albert earned his first Blue Peter Badge for writing a brilliant book review of Dog Man by Dav Pilkey!
		Well done on swimming 16 lengths & getting your 400 metres badge at swimming last night!!
Evie	Y4	You're working so hard, we're very proud of you.
Alexander	Y4	Well done for achieving your 50 metre swimming badge. Great work :)
Sophie	Y1	Sophie has been doing an amazing job in gymnastics. This week Sophie has gone up a level and has received x3 badges and a certificate for her achievements. Keep up the great work. X
Elspeth	Y1	This week Elspeth was awarded her 25 metre swimming certificate and badge, well done Elspeth!

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/>

Summer Term 2025 – Diary Dates

Monday 28 th April	DAaRT starts for Y5 (10 weeks)
Monday 5 th May	*Bank Holiday – School Closed*
Thursday 8 th May	Y4 Cresswell Craggs Trip
Monday 12 th May	*Y6 SATs week* Y3 Worship in the Woods – 11.30am
Tuesday 13 th May	2.45pm Foundation UTW parent workshop.
Friday 16 th May	PTA Colour Run
Wednesday 21 st May	Jo Whit coming to Y6 – PM Foundation Learning Together Day
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Wednesday 4 th June	Jo Whit coming to Y6 – PM
Monday 9 th June	*Y1 Phonics Screening Checks this week* Class photos
Thursday 19 th June	Y4 Worship in the Woods
Wednesday 25 th June	F2 trip to Butterfly House PTA Summer Disco Woodpeckers to Greens Mill
Thursday 26 th June	F1 trip to Library Otters to Greens Mill
Friday 27 th June	Rabbits to Greens Mill
Monday 30 th June	Y6 to Jo Whit for transition session 5pm - F1 and F2 New Starter Meeting
Tuesday 1 st July	Y6 to Jo Whit for transition session Whole school transition (move up) day
Wednesday 2 nd July	Y6 to Jo Whit for transition session
Thursday 3 rd July	Choir: Sing up at Jo Whit Y4 Partake Mayan Workshop
Friday 4 th July	PTA Break the Rules Day
Monday 7 th July	9:15am - KS1 Sports Day
Tuesday 8 th July	9:15am – Y3/ Y4 Sports Day
Thursday 10 th July	9:15am – Y5/ Y6 Sports Day 3.45-4.45pm New F1 stay and play
Friday 11 th July	2pm – FND Sports Day Reports out to parents
Monday 14 th July	Y5 DAaRT Graduation – 3pm (Parents in)
Tuesday 15 th July	2.15pm Teddy Bears Picnic FSU
Thursday 17 th July	Y4 Residential- Castleton
Friday 18 th July	Y4 Residential- Castleton
Saturday 19th July	PTA Summer Fair Event
Monday 21 st July	RESERVE Sports Day - PM
Wednesday 23 rd July	Peter Pan Performance 10:00am – FND/ KS1 2:00pm – KS2 6:00pm – Parents/ Carers
Friday 25 th July	2pm – Y6 Leavers Service at church Last day!

Christian Values in school



Well done to the children below who have shown our **Christian Values** this week:

	Hawks	Ayesha
	Wolves	Mustafa
	Robins	Bella
	Golden Eagles	Emily
	Squirrels	Charlotte
	Foxes	Macy
	Deer	Rosie
	Hedgehogs	Bradley
	Otters	Thea
	Rabbits	Katie
	Woodpeckers	Rui

Coming up next week.....



Monday 28th April - DAaRT starts for Y5 (Every Monday for 10 weeks)

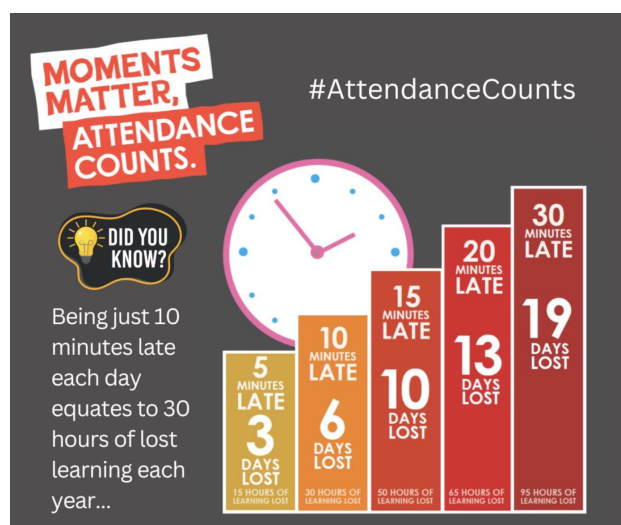
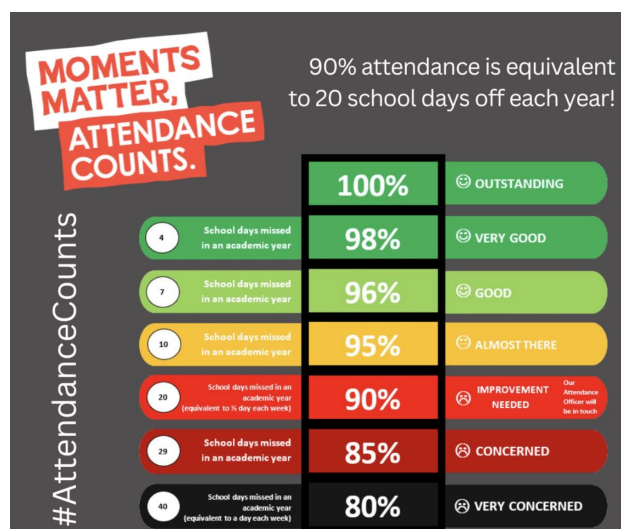
Next week's school dinners

My School Menu Spring/Summer 2025 Week 2 Week commencing 28 April, 19 May, 9 June, 30 June, 21 July, 8 Sept, 29th Sept					
Taco Tuesdays					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pork meatballs Egg Gluten in a tomato sauce with pasta shape of the day, Gluten Soya Mustard Garlic bread Gluten Milk Soya & seasonal vegetables	BBQ Chicken taco Gluten with French fries & seasonal vegetables	Bangers & mash Gluten Sulphur Dioxide with seasonal vegetables & gravy Featuring our Nottinghamshire sausage from local butcher's Maloney's	Roasted gammon with roast or mashed potato, seasonal vegetables & Yorkshire pudding Gluten Egg Milk	Fish finger cob Fish Gluten Sesame with oven chips, baked beans & 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	Jelly	Frozen yoghurt Milk & wafers Gluten Soya	Butterscotch shortcake Milk Gluten	Cherry iced bun Gluten Egg Milk Soya	Ice cream tub Milk



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 contact the school office, via Class Dojo, to sign your child up!

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)

Mrs Sanders (suzyburtonsanders@ravenshead.notts.sch.uk).