



Weekly news from Ravenshead C of E

Harvest Festival



This year, as part of our **Harvest Festival** celebrations, we will be supporting **Storehouse Kirkby Foodbank**, helping local families in need - <https://www.placesforpeople.co.uk/about-us/community/community-projects/storehouse-kirkby-foodbank/>

Our children will be celebrating Harvest at St Peter's Church, Ravenshead, on Wednesday 14th October (KS1) and Thursday 15th October (KS2). Please note that these celebrations will be for children only. Unfortunately, due to the capacity of the church, we are unable to invite parents and carers to attend.

If you are able to support our Harvest collection, we would be very grateful for donations of pasta and pasta sauces, tinned vegetables, tinned meat, tinned beans and spaghetti, breakfast cereals and UHT milk.

Donations can be brought into school throughout the week beginning Monday 12th October and will be collected by the Foodbank on Friday 16th October.

Thank you, as always, for your kindness and generosity. Every donation, however small, will help support families within our local community.



'Squishy toy' advice from the Local Authority



As squishy toys continue to grow in popularity, we have some important safety advice for parents and guardians.

Over recent weeks a number of squishy toys have been found to lack a UKCA or CE safety mark. The UKCA or CE mark shows that the manufacturer declares the toy meets relevant UK safety

requirements and one must be included on all toys sold in this country. Products without a UKCA or CE mark may pose a safety risk. If you cannot find a UKCA or CE mark stop using the toy and report it to your local Citizens Advice Consumer Service (CACS) or Trading Standards.

Even if a product does display a UKCA or CE marking, it may still be unsafe.

There have also been reports of some squishy toys giving off a strong petrol or chemical smell when squeezed, which could present a health risk with prolonged handling.

If a squishy toy has a strong petrol or chemical smell, causes irritation, does not have clear instructions or labelling in English, or raises any other concerns, please stop using it and report your concerns to Citizens Advice Consumer Service (CACS) or Trading Standards.

 **The Citizens Advice Consumer Service (CACS) can be contacted on 0808 223 1133. If you suspect any toys or products are unsafe for your child, please keep them away from children until their safety can be confirmed.**

PTFA



Our annual Ravenshead Scarecrow Festival is bigger than ever this year.

We will also be holding our refreshments stall, including our pic n mix station, outside school so you can fuel up to complete the trail.

Trail maps are available to pre order from:

<https://www.pta-events.com/ravensheadcofeschoolptfa/>



Clothing collection   

Reduce clutter, recycle and make money for our school! 

If you are having a good clear out over half term, we would love you clothes to turn into money.

Please drop your donations to reception for the **9th of November**.



I know it seems too soon, but it's just around the corner....

So, to help you get organised and reduce your costs we are once again running our Christmas jumper swap shop on the **13th November**. Donate all your outgrown Christmas jumpers, dresses and Pjs and then grab yourselves a bargain ready for this year's Christmas jumper day.

New for this year we will also be running our very own Santa's grotto. We will be welcoming children to our **Santas grotto** after school on the week of 7th December. Children will have a chance to meet Santa and get a present as well as do some Christmas crafts with his elves.

Keep an eye out here on how to book your child's place.


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BACK TO SCHOOL

PTA EVENTS – TERM AHEAD

We have lots of exciting events and fundraisers planned for the term ahead. We hope you can join us!

Fashion Show 24th September Get your gladrags on and join us for a fabulous evening of fashion, fun and fundraising! 	Scarecrow Festival 10th and 11th October Explore Ravenshead and see the amazing scarecrows on display. A fun event for all the family! 
Children's Christmas Card Design Order forms before half term Let your child's creativity shine! Order forms will be sent home before half term. 	Christmas Jumper Swap Shop 13th November Give your Christmas jumpers a new lease of life and help the environment! 
Christmas Disco 25th November Music, dancing, festive fun and lots of Christmas cheer! 	New for this Year... Santa's Grotto A magical experience for the children with a special visit from Santa! 


Tickets for all of our events are available at
www.pta-events.com/ravensheadcofeschoolptfa

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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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Samuel	Y3	Samuel has had a really positive start to the football season and has been trying really hard in both training and matches. He also won man of the match recently too! Well done!
Zach	Y3	Zach has competed all year in the Moto Mavericks motocross championship and the Mallory Park motocross championship. He has worked so hard and has finished 9th in the Moto Mavericks And 6th overall at Mollory Park. We are so proud of him and the determination he has shown.
Lucy	Y6	Lucy did amazing and completed her first Mini Marathon at the Robin Hood Half Marathon raising over £200 for Together for Short Lives. Well done Lucy, really proud of you.
Jessie	Y3	Jessie completed the Robin Hood Mini Marathon on Sunday. She ran the whole way round with a smile on her face. Well done Jessie. We are so proud of you x
Vincenzo	Y3	Vincenzo played for his football team on Saturday (Ravenshead red bulls) and scored 2 amazing goals! Well done vin xx
Grace	Y6	Grace has achieved her 800 swimming badge, which we're incredibly proud of!
Eadie	Y2	She worked hard to compete, showing great determination and perseverance.
Lucinda	Y5	Eadie has achieved her level three in gymnastics we're very proud of you eadie Lucinda was presented with the Camp Superstar award at the recent Ravenshead Scouting annual awards for being amazing on camp, always offering to help and never complaining if things didn't quite go to plan. Well done Lucinda!

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 2026 – TERM DATES

Wednesday 7th October	Parents Evening: Open Classroom – 3:45 – 7:30pm
Wednesday 14th October	2pm – KS1 Harvest Festival at the church – children only
Thursday 15th October	2pm – KS2 Harvest Festival at the church – children only
Half Term (Monday 19 th October until Friday 30 th October)	
Monday 2 nd November	INSET day: School Closed
Friday 13th November	Children in Need
Monday 16th November	Anti bullying week: Break the Silence Odd socks day
Tuesday 17th November	EYFS LTD PSED and CAL (9:15 – 10:45am)
Monday 30th November	F1 New Starter Parents Meeting (4:30 – 5:30pm)
Wednesday 2nd December	KS1 Nativity to parents at SCHOOL – 10am/ 2pm
Thursday 3rd December	PM – Y3/4 Rehearsal at the church F1 New Starters Stay and Play (3:45 – 4:45pm)
Friday 4th December	AM - Foundation Church Trip PM – Y3/4 Rehearsal at the church
Wednesday 9th December	PM – Y3/4 Rehearsal at the church EYFS Nativity at school – 2.30pm
Thursday 10th December	PM – Y3/4 Rehearsal at the church EYFS Nativity at school – 2.30pm
Friday 11th December	Y3/4 Nativity to parents at the CHURCH – 10am/ 2pm Christmas Dinner Day Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 14th December	Christingle Service – 2pm – Children only (Make Christingles in the morning)
Tuesday 15th December	Nativity Service – 2pm – Children only (Make Nativity craft in the morning)
Wednesday 16th December	'Carols around the tree' – School choir 6:00pm – Performance to parents/ carers
Thursday 17th December	9am - Choir singing carols at Kings Mill Hospital
Friday 18th December	Last 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 - Samuel

Wolves - Annabelle

Robins - Isabelle

Golden Eagles - Annabelle

Squirrels - Blythe

Foxes - Connie

Deer - Sophie

Owls - George

Rabbits - Oisin

Woodpeckers - Otilie

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.

WEEK COMMENCING		AUTUMN-WINTER MENU 2026/27					WEEK 3			
4 th September	Monday	Impossibly golden nuggets (ve) Gluten Soya	Tuesday	Big Beefy burger Gluten Sulphur Dioxide OR Crispy American style burger (ve) Gluten Sesame	Wednesday	Gammon with all the trimmings: OR Planet friendly roast, (v) milk Egg Yorkshire pudding (v) Gluten Egg Milk roast potatoes, (ve) parsnips, broccoli & gravy (ve)	Thursday	Cosy chicken sausage casserole Gluten Celery Sulphur Dioxide OR Hearty sausage casserole (ve) Gluten Celery Soya Sulphur Dioxide with mashed potatoes (ve) & green beans	Friday	Ocean crunch fish bites Gluten Fish OR Ocean friendly fingers (ve) Gluten with oven chips, (ve) peas & curry sauce Celery Gluten Egg Milk Mustard Soya
5 th October	Your school's choice of:									
16 th November	Jacket potato with cheese Milk and beans or tuna mayo Fish Egg & vegetable sticks									
7 th December	Filled cob Gluten Sesame with ham, cheese Milk or tuna mayo, Fish Egg crisps & vegetable sticks									
18 th January	Panini Gluten Sesame with either ham & cheese Milk or margherita, Milk mixed salad & vegetable sticks									
8 th February	Filled sandwich Gluten Soya with ham, cheese Milk or tuna mayo, Fish Egg crisps & vegetable sticks									
	Bread & spread (ve) Gluten Soya, Fresh fruit									
	Red Option	Blue Option	Pudding							
		Little pot of Caramel (v) Milk	The Great British Bakewell (v) Gluten Egg Milk & custard (v) Milk	Very berry muffin (v) Gluten Egg Milk						Pancake (ve) Gluten Egg Milk with a raspberry splash (ve)



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(ve) Vegan

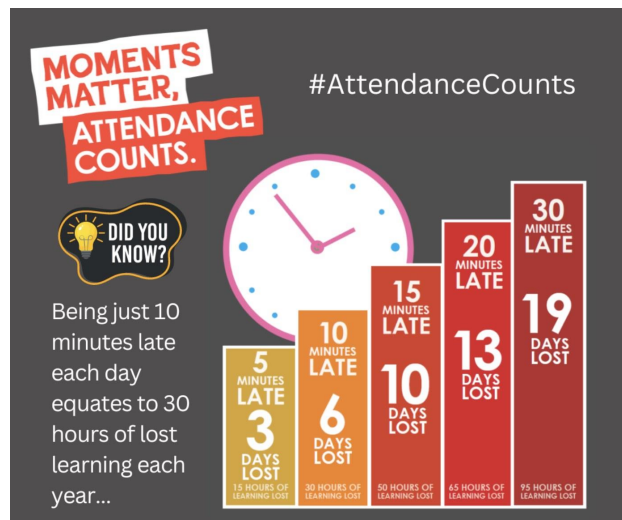
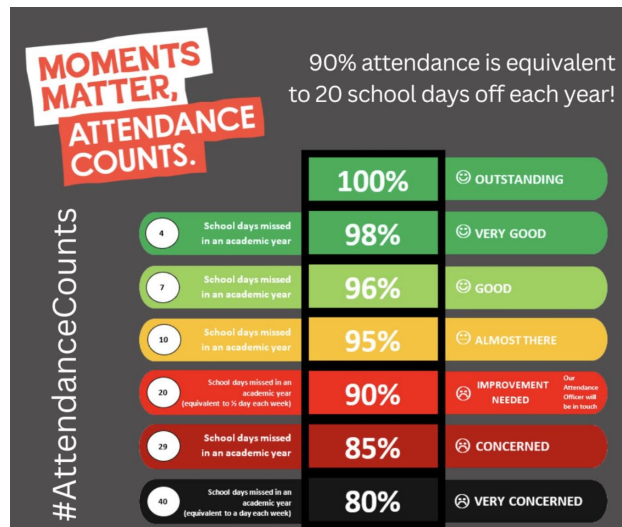


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Attendance Matters



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)