

14th February 2025

# Rayleigh Primary Newsletter

## Website



Dear Parents,

It has been an exciting week; we had the Year 3 performance, 'Teach my Family', Year 5 Ancient Greek Day and our new therapy dog, Ralph coming in! Amber class will meet Ralph after half term as they were swimming during his visit.

### Exciting news for after half term!

Science Dude will be visiting RPS for science week (24-28th February) courtesy of FORPS. He will be delivering some exciting, interactive workshops to every child in the school as well as awesome assembly demonstrations to get everyone in the mood for science! We can't wait!

Our trust vision day on Monday 3rd March is a **NON uniform day** and children are encouraged to dress up as what they admire.

World Book Day is on **Thursday 6th March** and the theme is 'The Day the Crayons Quit' Children can **dress as a coloured 'crayon'** or **choose to dress up as something related to a book.**

Have a great half term we look forward to seeing you back to school on Monday 24th.

### Spotlight on.... Mrs Prasser

On Wednesday we said goodbye and happy retirement to Mrs Prasser, who has worked at RPS for almost twenty years. We would like to take the opportunity to thank her for her dedication and hard work. We wish her every happiness in her new adventures!



### NUT FREE SCHOOL REMINDER

A polite reminder that We are a nut free school Please ensure your child does not bring anything containing nuts into school, This includes 'Nutella, Peanut Butter and Kinder' in any form as we have pupils with severe allergies.

Thank you so much for your help with this.

### Attendance

As you will be aware, the Government has updated their statutory guidance for school attendance.

[Working together to improve school attendance \(applies from 19 August 2024\) \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk)

This week's class winners are:

- 1st Place - Moonstone 98.6%
- 2nd Place - Ladybirds 98.5%
- 3rd Place - Jet 98.4%

Well done! Keep it up!

### Updates

- Please see the link here for our new RPS Nursery, Spaces available from January 2025 in our 2+ and 3+ provisions. [Link here](#)
- Childcare support is expanding, Eligible working parents of children aged between 9 months and 3 years can get 15 hours childcare per week for 38 weeks a year is increasing to 30 hours from September 2025 Please follow the link [here](#) to see if you are eligible.
- The Mega Centre in Rayleigh has some great activities coming up [link here](#).
- Information on training to become a teacher [link here](#).
- Free ADHD & ASD online support sessions [link here](#)

### Diary Dates

Upcoming dates:

More diary dates for Autumn Term will come out on next week's newsletter. Don't forget to use our website to look ahead.

### Teach my Family Dates

- 04/03/25 - Jade 9.00am-9.30am
- 07/03/25 - Opal 9.00am-9.30am
- 24/03/25 - Onyx 9.00am-9.30am
- 25/03/25-Aquamarine 9.00am-9.30am
- 26/03/25-Ladybirds/Bumblebee's 9.00am - 9.30am

[Our website calendar you can find here](#)

- 27/02/25 Year 5 Trust Career day  
24-28th February - SCIENCE DUDE
- 03/03/25 Trust Vision Day (This day is NON uniform and pupils or encouraged to dress up as what they admire)

06/03/2025 World Book Day

28/03/2025 Mother's day sale - ForPS event - more details to come.

25/04/2025 School Disco - ForPS - more details to come.



Thank you for all your entries for our Mental Health week challenge, It was a hard decision and all entries have been placed on our display board! Well done to Grace B our winner.