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## Newsletter 15th March 2024

*"Let your light shine"*

We have come to the end of the penultimate week of a very short half term. In school, we have started to think what next term will look like in school. There will be a focus on behaviour and expectations as we continue to strive for excellence in all that we do, as well as our continued improvement of teaching and learning.

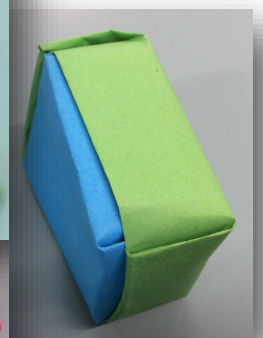
All Key Stage 1 and Early Years staff had a very positive visit from our "Read, Write, Inc." coach. She was able to observe all staff and offer suggestions on how we can further improve our teaching of phonics to ensure that all pupils are fluent readers by the end of Key Stage 1. Thank you to all the staff for their hard work and to Mrs Gayler who leads and continues to push standards up.

Mrs Lampe Cullen



We had a surprise delivery of books from Ceva Logistics at Prologis Park in Ryton this week. The company asked their staff to bring a book in for World Book Day so they could all be donated to us. What a brilliant idea! Pictured are Orla and Courtney, the youngest child in reception and the oldest child in Year 6, having a first look.

Mrs Lambeth's Craft Club is proving very popular. She has been very pleased to see some of the older children showing leadership skills in wanting to teach younger ones. Year 4's Olivia taught the group how to make penguins and Eleanor-Rose from Year 5 did a great job in showing how a 3D box is made.





## **EARLY HELP/SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITY SUPPORT MEETING**

**Friday 22nd March  
1.45pm**

Following the success of our first meeting in January, we invite parents and carers to another SEN/Early Help support meeting. The session will be hosted by:-

**Sherrise Lampe Cullen (Head of School)**

**Davina Lambeth (SENDCo)**

**Rachel Hands (Parent and Governor with a special interest  
in Special Needs)**

The sessions aim to give support and advice on any parenting challenges, or signpost parents to other sources of help.



**Note new start time due to Easter Parade**



Recently there have been several incidents related to the misuse of WhatsApp groups. Some of the posts and videos that are being sent could be classed as bullying. We would like to remind parents and children that the minimum age for using WhatsApp is 13 or over.

WhatsApp is a chat application which can be used on a mobile phone or tablet; it lets you send messages, images and videos to friends. You can have one to one and group conversations.

We urge all parents to keep an eye on their child's mobile phone or online activities involving social media. The children are constantly reminded that they must tell a parent / adult if they receive anything inappropriate from any application.

Mrs Lampe Cullen

Head of School



RYTON ON DUNSMORE ACADEMY

*Easter*

# PARADE & RAFFLE

**Easter Bonnet/Crown/Headband Parade**

**2.45pm Friday 22nd March**

**£1 per child to enter, Easter Egg prize.**

**Raffle £1 for 1 ticket: £2 for 3 tickets : £5 for 8 tickets**  
**Raffle Tickets and Parade entry can be purchased on**  
**Parentpay.**

**Raffle Prize is a fabulous Easter Hamper!**



**Buy your Raffle Tickets and Parade entry on**  
**Parentpay**



# Ryton-on-Dunsmore Academy Stars



EYFS Star Learner this week is

*Jessica*



Year 1 Star Learner this week is

*Niamh*

Year 2 Star Learner this week is

*Cian*



Year 4 Star Learner this week is

*Ella*

Year 3 Star Learner this week is

*Josiah*



Year 5 Star Learner this week is

*Rosie*

Year 6 Star Learner this week is

*Zoe*





18th March	Year 1 Come and Learn 2.45-3.15pm
19th and 20th March	Parent Consultation meetings 3.30-6pm
21st March	Year 2 and Year 4 "Habitats" trip, Ryton Pools
22nd March	Break up for Easter 1.45pm SEN/Early help Parent Support meeting 2.45pm Easter Parade and raffle; parents welcome
8th April	Back to School
2nd May	Teacher training day, school closed to children
6th May	Bank holiday
w/b 13th May	KS2 Statutory Assessment Tests (SATS)
24th May	Crowning of the May King and Queen
3rd June	Teacher training day, school closed to children
10th July	Moving On Day
19th July	Last day of term

## Primary Assessment Dates

### Key stage 2 tests

The statutory [key stage 2 tests](#) are timetabled from Monday 13 May to Thursday 16 May 2024:

Date	Activity
Monday 13 May 2024	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 14 May 2024	English reading
Wednesday 15 May 2024	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 16 May 2024	Mathematics paper 3

### Multiplication tables check

Schools must administer the [multiplication tables check](#) within the 2-week period from Monday 3 June 2024.

### Phonics screening check

Schools must administer the [phonics screening check](#) within the 1-week period from Monday 10 June 2024.



## Notice for Parents and Carers from our school meal supplier, Educaterers

At Educaterers we are completely invested in producing a safe and nutritious meal for all of our customers. In some cases, we may receive a substituted item from our suppliers into the kitchen that may contain different allergens/ ingredients. This could mean that the meal your child has ordered may be changed in order to comply with the dietary, religious or lifestyle requirements request by you.

For your added reassurance, Educaterers monitor our suppliers closely and have robust processes in place to ensure no foods are supplied to our schools without our confirmation.

For any further information –

Email - [contactus@educaterers.co.uk](mailto:contactus@educaterers.co.uk)

Phone – 01926743434

Kind Regards

Educaterers Ltd


Huge thanks to Dan Scott-Elder for sourcing Easter Eggs for the children for next week via his employer, Tesco. We are so grateful and we know the children will be too!

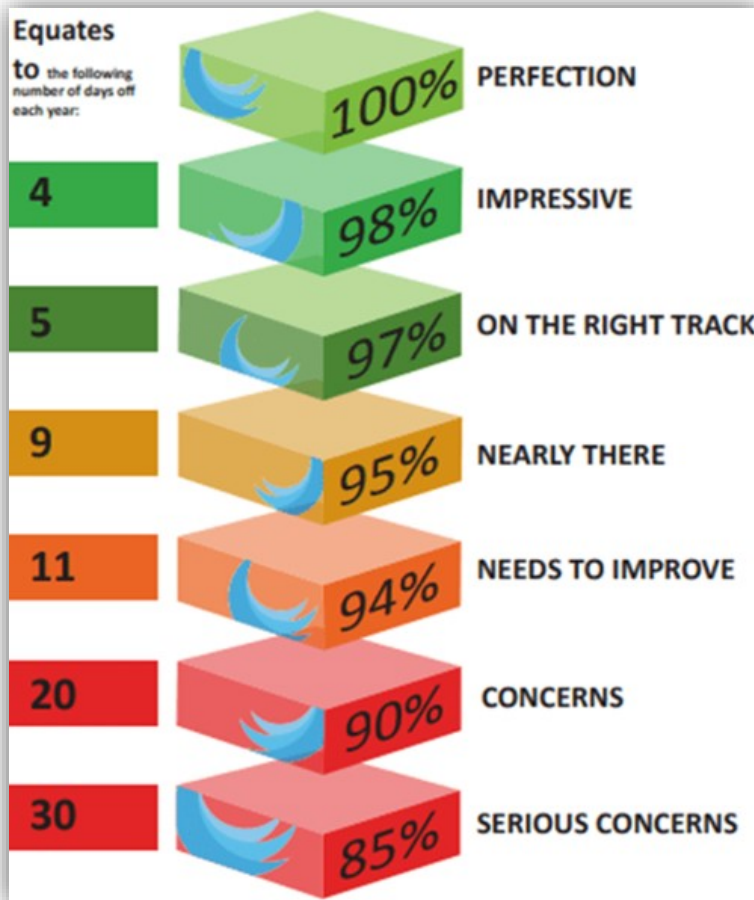


Mrs Tombs is treating children booked into the Ark Breakfast Club to bacon rolls on Tuesday morning. There are 3 spaces left if anyone wants to book in. (Contact the office)



# Attendance Update

Attendance	
Nursery	88.5%
Reception	100% 
Year 1	97%
Year 2	97%
Year 3	90.1%
Year 4	91.1%
Year 5	78.4%
Year 6	98.3%



Some classes were affected by a nasty cough this week but 113 children did manage 100% attendance which was good news.

Whole school attendance was 93% this week.





## Our service explained For parents/carers

Connect for Health is a school nurse-led service that supports children, young people and parents/carers. Warwickshire families with a school age child (aged 5-19, or up to 25 for people with SEND) can get in touch with any concerns related to health and wellbeing.

The support we offer includes one-to-one advice, parent/carer workshops on key topics such as sleep and continence, resilience workshops for children, a healthy lifestyles programme, and specialist support such as healthcare plans for children with medical conditions that affect their school day.

Our team also carry out the National Child Measurement Programme and Health Needs Assessments in schools; you'll receive a full description of these initiatives if your child is invited to take part.



### What can Connect for Health help with?

- Contenance.
- Sleep.
- Behaviour.
- Healthy eating & physical activity.
- Oral health.
- Friendships and relationships.
- Bullying.
- Changing school.
- Parenting.
- Mental health & emotional wellbeing.
- Many other health & wellbeing topics.

If you would like help with any of these topics, please don't hesitate to get in touch using the details below. Our office hours are Monday - Thursday 9 am - 5 pm and 9 - 4.30 on a Friday. If your child is age 11-19, please pass on the details of our ChatHealth text messaging service which they can access for friendly advice from a nurse.

Learn more on our website & download our referral form - scan here or visit [compass-uk.org/c4h](https://compass-uk.org/c4h)





Text Parentline (parents/carers): **07520 619 376**


Text ChatHealth (young people 11-19): **07507 331 525**

Call us: **03300 245 204**

Email us: [connectforhealth@compass-uk.org](mailto:connectforhealth@compass-uk.org)

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# 10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators PROMOTING STORYTIME

Being read to regularly can help the under-fives in acquiring literacy; teaches them the value of books and stories; and sparks their imagination and curiosity. Reading to babies, meanwhile, provides the building blocks of language development and the beginnings of social and emotional skills. Here are our top tips for helping children discover the wonder of stories.

## 1 BE A READING ROLE MODEL

Children thrive on copying the behaviours of adults around them, so it's vital to model regular reading habits: if your child sees you reading, they're likely to copy you. Reading on a screen could be misinterpreted by a child as a different activity, so a printed book is preferable.

## 2 JOIN A LIBRARY

Local libraries are a cost-effective way of introducing your child to new books. Libraries often host free events to build engagement with reading. Librarians can recommend books based on age, interests, genre or author. Having their own library card and choosing their next read can be exciting for little ones.

## 3 TAKE IT IN TURNS

Taking turns to read and turn the pages can build your child's confidence and lets you model what's expected. For younger ones, reading doesn't have to mean the exact words on the page – they might prefer their own version! Reading to different audiences is useful: teddies are excellent listeners!

## 4 CATER TO THEIR INTERESTS

Like adults, children tend to favour books with themes they're interested in. If they're less keen to move away from their preferred subject matter, you could vary the type of book they read by swapping between fiction and non-fiction. There'll be plenty of scope to diversify as they grow up.

## 5 BUILD READING INTO YOUR DAILY ROUTINE

Building reading into your daily routine will have a positive impact. Just before bedtime is ideal for many families, helping settle the child to sleep. The adult usually reads the story, but children enjoy more interactivity as they get older. It can be handy to have books with you when out and about.

## 6 USE PICTURES AND PROPS

Most children's books contain beautiful illustrations which enrich the text. Spend time discussing these with your child and pointing things out. As well as doing voices for different characters and making any relevant noises, you could also enhance story time with props such as toys or puppets.

## 7 RELISH THE LANGUAGE

The language in children's books is varied and rich; sometimes they might include words children are less familiar with, so you can take the opportunity to explain what they mean. With younger children, you could try paraphrasing certain sentences afterwards to help with understanding.

## 8 A COMFORTABLE ENVIRONMENT

Where possible, read to your child in an environment that's free from distractions. This helps children to get fully immersed in the experience, supporting their concentration and engagement. Doing this often can help to build up the child's ability to focus for greater lengths of time.

## 9 TAKE REGULAR BREAKS

Although reading can be hugely enjoyable, children can sometimes struggle to sit for long periods or to engage with texts fully. Have regular breaks: reading a few pages is better than none. You could also have some movement breaks – there's no particular 'right' or 'wrong' way to enjoy a story.

## 10 RE-READ FAVOURITES

Most children have certain stories that they love hearing again and again. This repetition lets them become familiar with language patterns and more engaged by feeling able to join in. Choosing other books by your child's preferred author can help them to discover new favourites.

## Meet Our Expert

Kara Kleman has worked in senior leadership positions (both in the UK and internationally) for 15 years, supported by an MEd in Educational Leadership. As an educational consultant, she now delivers training for a range of organisations – notably on EYFSP practice and child development. Previously, Kara was head of a nursery and junior school and has also been a director of early years.



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

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SURROUNDING VILLAGES

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March/May 24 **for parents and children**

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Join Peter Rabbit's Easter Hunt  
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**PLUS** School Notice Board

click on [www.allsortsmag.com](http://www.allsortsmag.com)

## PLAYGYM & PRESCHOOL CLASSES AT RUGBY GYMNASTICS CLUB

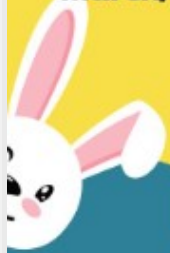
Weekday classes available for 18 months - 4 years

Contact: [Gill@rugbygymnasticsclub.co.uk](mailto:Gill@rugbygymnasticsclub.co.uk)

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Here is the link to the March/May digital version of Allsorts magazine [https://bit.ly/ALLSORTS\\_MARMAY24](https://bit.ly/ALLSORTS_MARMAY24)

- you can **tap** straight to advertisers' websites too when viewing the mag on your phone (please mention allsorts). There are lots of attraction to visit, services and articles to help your family. You can view this issue at [www.allsortsmag.com](http://www.allsortsmag.com) too or on the allsorts Facebook page soon. Take care - Michelle Love (Editor).



Ryton on Dunsmore  
Village Hall Committee  
invite you to an

## **Easter Chocolate Bingo**

22nd March

50p per book

Doors open at 6pm

Eyes down at 6:30pm

Hotdogs, cakes, teas, coffees  
and soft drinks available

Family event  
everyone welcome

Raffle

## **Easter fun at Market Hall Museum, Warwick.**

Explore a new family friendly exhibition 'Tales from the Riverbank', get crafty at 'Easter Arty Tots', discover medicines from the past at 'Boils, Cures and Curses and enjoy storytelling and the wildlife in 'Wild Rivers.

**Please note some events require pre booking.**

### **Easter Arty tots**

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March

10am – 1pm

Discover the animals that are born at this time of year and make some Easter crafts to take home. Suitable for under 5's. £3 per child. No need to book just drop in.

### **Boils, Cures and Curses**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Market Hall Museum

10am - 1pm

Travel through time finding out about the weird and wonderful remedies from the past. Work in the apothecary creating cures, make your own protective charms and learn about the discoveries that revolutionised medicine. Do you know the right gods to pray to for a cure? £3 per child, no need to book just drop in.

### **Wild Rivers**

Market Hall Museum

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

10am – 2.30pm

Explore the wildlife that call rivers their home. Make a flying kingfisher, test your skills at building a beaver dam, and see up close exactly what lives in the water! Join storyteller Pyn Stockman for a journey down the River to find tales of magical Swans that once were Princes, Rivers that fly, a greedy King who won't share the water with the rest of the Kingdom and a strong Princess who can see the whole world and all the Rivers that flow through it. Stories suitable for primary aged children. £5 per child, includes storytelling session, pre booking required at [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/heritageboxoffice](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/heritageboxoffice)  
£3 per child, no need to book just drop in. Storytelling sessions at 10.30am and 11.30am

### **Tales from the Riverbank Exhibition**

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January

This family friendly exhibition will explore the unexpected and extraordinary stories of life on (and in!) Warwickshire's waterways, and highlight the increasing importance of the rivers, canals and waterways to us all.

The exhibition will explore everything from ancient river monsters to celebrity costumes from the Royal Shakespeare Company!

FREE entry.

Kindly sponsored by Warwick Boats and Leam Boat Centre

# DANCE Classes



Ballet, Tap  
Disco/Street Dance  
Pre-School Dance & Adult  
Tap

Classes held in Bubbenhall  
& Wellesbourne

Contact Sarah Cooke  
sarah.cooke77@btinternet.com  
or 07751470318

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WEEKEND