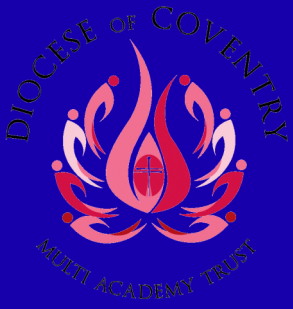


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Newsletter Tuesday 9th March 2026

World Book Day 5th March 2026



As we begin Week 3 of the shortest term of the year, we can already look back on what has been a busy, productive and exciting start.

Last week, our EYFS children took part in *balance bike training*. They learned how to get on and off their bikes safely, how to make controlled manoeuvres and, most importantly, how to stop! It was wonderful to watch the children each day and see the progress they made in such a short time.

Across all year groups, there has been so much wonderful learning taking place. I continue to be incredibly impressed by the effort, enthusiasm and dedication shown by our children. Their curiosity and joy for learning are truly inspiring, and I am grateful every day for their hard work.

This was particularly evident during our recent Evaluation Day, when Pal (our Academy Improvement Partner), Emma (Headteacher at Dunchurch), and Nicky (Governor) spent the day in school. This was our first evaluation under the new framework, and it proved to be a valuable experience for all staff. The day highlighted our strengths and identified the next steps we will take as we continue to improve.



THE CREATIVE HUB

At Ryton on Dunsmore Academy



This week, each class across the school will have the opportunity to develop their Design and Technology skills - from sewing, to building, to cooking.

We are especially excited that Dahl Class will be the very first to use our brand new Creative Hub and kitchen space, where they will be making their own pizzas.

This is a very exciting time for our school. Thanks to the continued support of our PTA, our whole school community, and the generous time and expertise given by Mr Harris, our children now have a fantastic space in which to learn, practise, and deepen their cooking skills. This new environment will help them develop a strong understanding of healthy eating and what a balanced diet looks like.

We are thrilled to see this space come to life and cannot wait to watch the children explore, create and learn in new and inspiring ways.

**CAN YOU
HELP?**

Now that our new Creative Hub is ready for use, we would love to improve the surrounding outdoor area and create a space that can be enjoyed not only by our pupils and families, but also by the wider community.

We are looking for volunteers to help dig out, clear and plant new flowers and herbs, including Katie's Garden, on Saturday 28th March between 10am and 3pm.

If you are available to help, please let Miss Cullen or the school office know. This will help us plan and understand which areas we will be able to complete on the day. Your support would make a huge difference, and we would be incredibly grateful for any help you can offer.



E Safety: How to start a conversation with your child about gaming safely:

Why do you want to get a games console?

Whilst deciding if it is time for your child to have their first games console can be a great opportunity to find out what your child expects to use it for. This could be for playing online, playing with siblings or friends, or for playing by themselves.

What do you like about your games console? What is your favourite game? If your child already has a games console, you can ask them about their favourite things to play, you can ask them to teach you to play the game and explore the ways to report and block players or content whilst playing together.

What game do you really want to play?

When talking about games your child wants to play, you can take a moment to discuss age ratings and what different content is available on different games. This can be a good opportunity to discuss your expectations around the games that your child can and can't play.

How do young people your age use their games console?

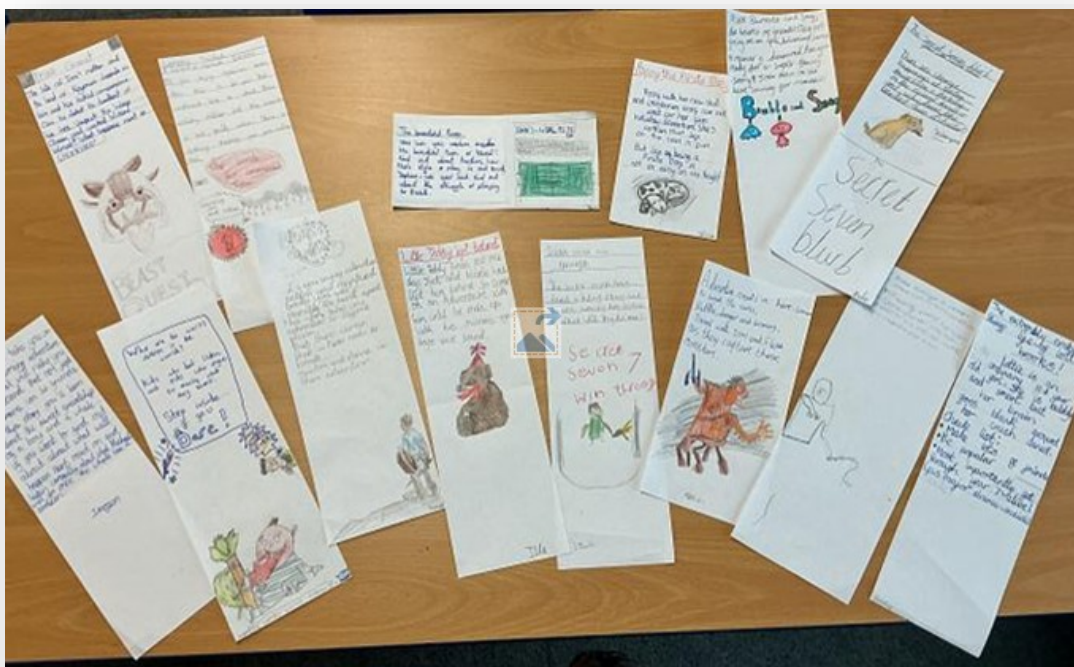
Learning about the way that young people are using devices and games can give you a insight into why your child may want a new game or console.

How can we as a family help you to manage the time you spend gaming? Can we do anything to help you use the games console more safely?

Finding out how your child wants to be supported whilst online is a great way to open up wider conversations around online safety and the issues young people may face whilst gaming. You can also look at establishing a family agreement to manage your families time online.

What would you do if something worrying or upsetting happened on your games console?

Tell your child what they should do if something goes wrong while using it. This could be to close the screen and tell an adult.



Last week, Rowling Class wrote book “blurbs”, that needed to be short, engaging and accurate.



PTA MOVIE NIGHT



24TH APRIL | 3.15PM - 5PM



INCLUDES SNACKS AND
DRINKS

Tickets £2.50





PTA EVENT
HOP ON OVER FOR OUR

*Easter
Egg Designing
Contest*

PTA WILL BE SELLING DESIGN
SHEETS TO DECORATE AT
HOME ANY WAY YOU LIKE OR
CREATE YOUR OWN


*Bring your designs
in to school
W/c 23rd March*

PRIZES TO BE WON
£1 TO ENTER




PTA EVENT

Easter Scavenger Hunt



Book via
MCAS by
13/03/26



£3.50
per child



March 26th
3.30pm





Have you heard of Tchoukball? We have just taken delivery of our new set of nets and balls and we are enjoying learning to play.

CHILD FRIENDLY WARWICKSHIRE

Children and Family Centres

Share your feedback

Your views can help create spaces where families can play, learn and grow together.

Sharing your ideas will shape support at the centres and help providers to understand what's important to you.

Scan here to share your ideas.

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Diary Dates

Wed 11th March

Mother's Day event (book and pay for your slot on MCAS under "School Shop) Last date to book is 2nd March 2026.

Tues 17th March

Parent Consultation Meetings

Wed 18th March

Space Centre Trip Year 1 2 5 and 6
Parent Consultation Meetings

Book Parents Evening slot on MCAS unless you would like a slot with Mrs Lambeth, where the office will book for you.

Fri 27th March

Break up for Easter Holiday

All parents to check medications we hold in school for amount left and expiry date.

New events will be added during the term. All events are on the Class Dojo Calendar, allow notifications to give you reminders.



As children progress through the reading scheme, books suddenly become very exciting, chapter books especially!

Reading can be a lifelong pleasure, and it often starts here, with school reading books that are read both at home and to our team of reading volunteers.

We are incredibly fortunate to have Mrs Spencer, Mr Peacock, Mrs Barry and Mrs Maynard as reading volunteers. They provide our children with quiet time, a kind and listening ear and that all important one to one time.

The logo for Red Nose Day, featuring the words "RED NOSE DAY" in bold, black, sans-serif capital letters. The letter "O" in "NOSE" is replaced by a red, stylized nose with a white highlight. The entire logo is set within a white circular background.

**RED
NOSE
DAY**

Looking ahead, we are preparing for Red Nose Day on Friday 20th March.

Children are invited to come to school in non-uniform and are welcome to wear any official Red Nose Day merchandise - red noses, t-shirts or fun accessories.

We suggest a £1 donation per child, with all funds going to support this important cause.



Thanks for all the Space Centre payments! If you haven't already paid, it is available to pay on MCAS.

We have always had a fabulous day of learning at the Space Centre, so look out for photos of our day on Class Dojo.



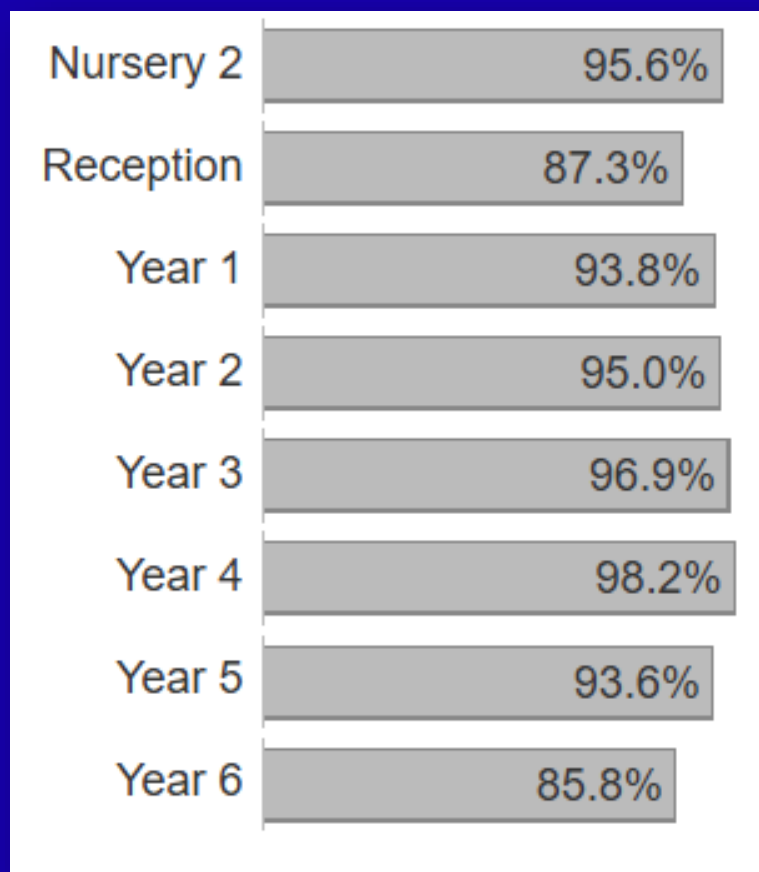
Attendance Update

At Ryton on Dunsmore Academy, we are committed to ensuring every child has the best possible start to their school day and parents play a huge part in making that happen.

Regular attendance and good punctuality are key to helping children thrive both academically and socially.

We know that sometimes emotional, social, or practical difficulties can make punctuality or daily attendance challenging. If you or your child needs support, please reach out. We are always here to work with you, together we can make sure every child feels happy, supported, and ready to learn each day.

This was our attendance percentage for each year, for last week.



STAR LEARNERS

Star Learner has been awarded to:-

Early Years

Michael, Theo, Lyla

Year 1

Aubree, Daisy

Year 2

Suzy, Kylah

Year 3

Caitlin, Logan

Year 4

Dylan, Freddie

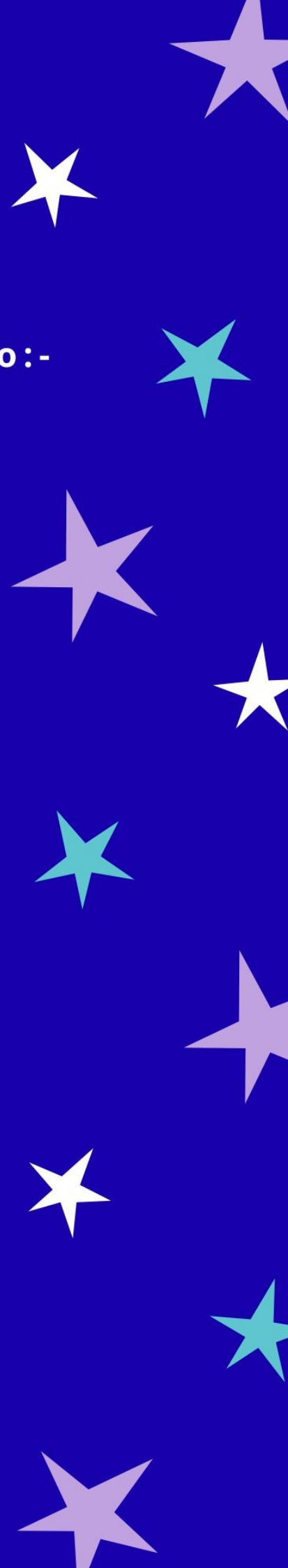
Year 5

Alex

Year 6

Sophie Ruby

Well done superstars!



VALUES AWARD

This is awarded to pupils who have shown our school values of:

Love

Honesty

Fairness

Respect

Hope

Forgiveness

The latest recipients of our
Values Award are:-

Erin for Hope

Nubaid for Fairness

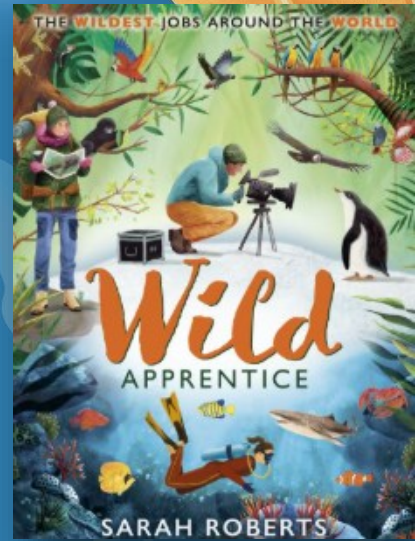
MISS CULLEN'S BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



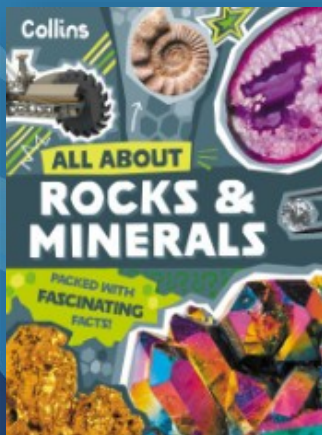
Learn all about the WILDEST jobs in the WORLD Are you undeterred by mud, swamps, creepy crawlies and wild animals? Would you like to delve into unexplored caves, traipse through dense jungle or dive deep beneath the ocean's waves? Then this is the book for you.

Written by wildlife expert and eco-journalist Sarah Roberts, this epic guide to the many fascinating, adventurous careers that exist in the world will have you frantically searching for your passport and rummaging for your rucksack.

From big-wave surfers and marine biologists to palaeontologists, explorers, sailors and wilderness medics, you'll learn which super skills are required, read words of wisdom from real-life experts, and encounter fascinating facts, astonishing animals, top tips and much more!



Unearth the treasures hidden beneath the Earth's crust! Packed with fascinating facts, super stats, phenomenal photos, and Q&As with real-life experts - *All About Rocks and Minerals* is the perfect book for inquisitive kids who love learning about geology.



- Different types of rocks and their formations
- The mineral properties that make them unique
- How rocks are used in everyday life
- The geological processes that shape our planet
- And so much more!

