



Ravensworth Terrace Primary School

@ The School Gate

RTPS Weekly e-News **Week 3**

18.9.2026

Autumn Days



As we approach the autumnal equinox, we are still experiencing some unseasonably warm weather following a summer with some record-breaking temperatures. Despite this there are still some noticeable changes, and I'm sure families will enjoy looking for changes with their children. Although meteorological autumn began on 1st September, next week sees the start of astronomical autumn. Autumn is a season of colourful landscapes, cooler weather and steadily shortening days, bridging the gap between summer warmth and the onset of winter. Enjoy!

Reception

We have loved going to the forest for the first time. We learned about the forest creatures that help us to stay safe in different areas of the forest, and we had lots of fun exploring. We are very lucky to have such amazing school grounds.



Raring to go?



Ready for RTPS?

☒ Born between 1.9.22 & 31.8.23 ?

☒ Due to start Reception in 2027?

☒ Turning 5 between 1.9.27 & 31.8.28?

☒ Want to join our lovely school?

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**Apply before 15.1.27
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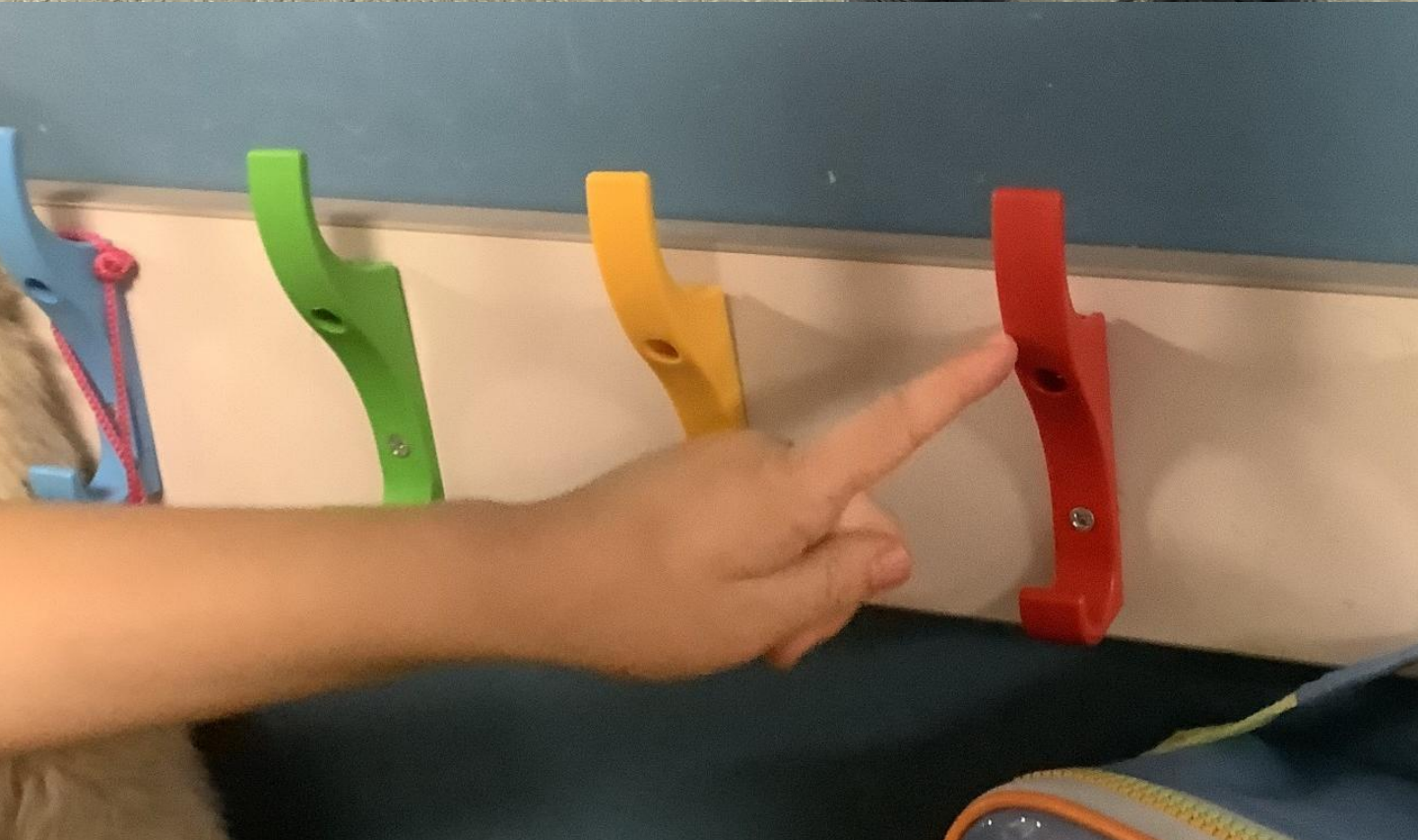
Year 1

This week we have started our new book Oi Frog! We are looking at rhyming words and rhyming sentences. We have worked hard to identify rhyming words and hear the sound pattern.



Year 2

This week, Year 2 continued learning about different materials in Science. We went on a hunt around the school to identify the different materials that different objects are made from. The children thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon and gave some fantastic answers.



Year 3 News

Year 3 have been having lots of fun exploring our new music topic! We have been listening to and exploring a piece of jazz music, finding the beat and rhythm, and learning about musical notation. We have discovered staves, treble clefs and rests, and practised identifying notes using FACE 'Face in the Space' and EGBDF 'Every Good Boy Deserves Football'. We have also enjoyed playing along to the music on our glockenspiels and are becoming confident young musicians!



Sporting Update



A solid start to the new season began on Thursday night with the team being unlucky to concede a last-minute goal against Chester-le-street CE

RTPS 2 - 0 Lumley

RTPS 1 - 1 Belmont

RTPS 1 - 2 Chester-le-street CE



Year 4

This week in PE, Year 4 have been developing a range of fundamental movement skills, including throwing, catching and improving their hand-eye coordination. Through a variety of fun and engaging activities, the children have practised controlling and receiving balls, aiming accurately, and working cooperatively with partners and teams. It has been wonderful to see their confidence, determination, and teamwork grow as they continue to build these important skills.



Meet the staff

I am Mrs Clewes and I have been part of this amazing school community for 14 years. During that time, I've had the pleasure of teaching across many different year groups and now teach in Year 5A on Thursdays and Fridays. Outside of school, I'm a musician and member of two bands where I play the violin and often get to go on tour during festival season which is a great adventure! I'm also mum to two gorgeous twin boys and we love spending time outdoors together going for walks, fossil hunting, and spotting wildlife using the Seek app. We're also kept busy taking them to rugby, tennis and swimming! At home, we have two rather hairy cats, Ralph and Archie who keep us entertained! In my spare time, I love painting, running and reading.



Year 5

We have been so impressed with all of the children who put themselves forward for School Council! The candidates produced some fantastic ideas for ways we could make our school even better and worked incredibly hard to prepare their campaigns. They delivered confident, well-prepared speeches to their classes and explained their ideas brilliantly. The standard was so high that the classes had a very difficult job choosing who to vote for! A huge well-done to everyone who took part. You should all be very proud!

Vote for charlotte

I am a thinker

I am kind

I am helpful

I am a good listener



To support students who are having a bad day I will suggest creating a quiet space within the school grounds where they could chill out.

To suggest extending the library to have a bigger variety of books.

To suggest walking groups at lunchtimes so after you finish your lunch walk around the field in groups for walking exercise open for all ages.

Remember to Recycle

VOTE FOR HEIDI

Add more books and comfy seating to the library!

I will keep the hedgehogs safe

I will listen to your ideas

I will try to make lunch clubs like art, reading, yoga and more.

I will try to have more activities in classrooms during school dances.

I will make sure everybody is safe and feels comfortable in school.

If anyone's feeling stressed they can have brakes.

I will make sure the environment that we work and play in, is good, safe and enjoyable.

I will extend breaks so you can have more time to play and get refreshed.

Vote Maddie for school council



Extended break times so we can have more fun playing with our friends outside.

More non-uniform days to raise money for our school

Bring back water fun days!

If you vote for me, I will put a special notebook in our classroom. You can write your ideas or worries in it anytime, and I promise to take them straight to the school council meetings.

VOTE ISLA FOR SCHOOL COUNCIL



I Love summer YOUR future

Why?

I will help everyone and be fair and considerate and kind.

We will bring back display cases in the school because it makes our school more bright cheerful!

You can come to me if you are not confident, or feel nervous, I'll help and be kind and cheerful.

VOTE FOR ME!

Vote for Bethany

I will be kind and help be the best I can be.

I will make more clubs such as art, craft, book club or dance club.

I can help keep our school a happy place for everyone.

I will make our school a fun and kind place.

VOTE KATIE



I have got a few reasons why I want to be school counsile and I feel like I would be a good school counsiler because I am energetic and funny.

I like brain breaks every Friday after noon so even have a brain break then go home! BRAIN BREAK!

I will extend break times for more fun!!!

I will make the lunchtimes better and let year 5 and 6 be outside in the summer to help enjoy the good weather

VOTE Katie

Secondary Schools

The deadline for Y6 families to apply for secondary school is 31st October 2026. You must apply to your home Local Authority, and they have different application opening dates

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Year 6

This week, Year 6 have been busy hosting their School Council elections. Each candidate shared their manifesto and proudly displayed posters as part of their campaign. A huge well-done to all of our candidates for their enthusiasm, confidence and commitment to making a difference in our school community!



Focus on Rules

High Aspirations
Aim high



Always ready
Step by step



Growing confident
High standards



Do our best
Lots of success



It is important that we maintain high expectations and high standards which apply to all aspects of school life Including our 3 school rules.

Ready | **Respectful** | **Safe**

Being '**Ready**' is an important rule that emphasises everyone's personal responsibility to be ready to learn. This starts with wearing the correct uniform, applies to how we enter the classroom and how we approach the start of every lesson. Being ready is the first step in being successful.



British Values

Our core expectations of **Ready**, **Respectful** and **Safe** provide the foundation for promoting British Values;

*Democracy,
The Rule of Law,
Individual Liberty and
Mutual Respect and Tolerance of Those with
Different Faiths and Beliefs.*

Together, they help children develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes needed to become responsible, active and caring members of society.

Democracy encourages children to share their ideas, listen carefully to the views of others and participate positively in decision-making. Being **Ready** helps pupils engage actively in discussions and learning.

Individual Liberty is about helping children make positive choices and understand their rights and responsibilities. Being **Ready** supports pupils to take ownership of their learning.

Reception 2027



Have you heard that you can now apply for a place in RTPS Reception class for 2027?

Yes! You can find out more below.



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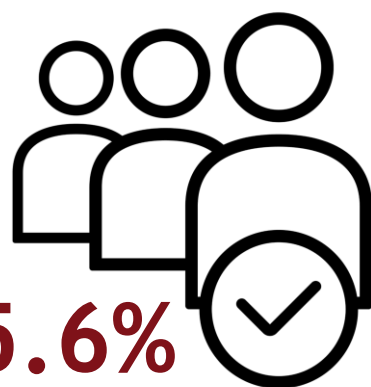
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Attendance



95.6%
Whole school

Rec A	Miss Dorner	98.1
Rec B	Miss Phazey	90.4
1A	Mrs Johnson	99.0
1B	Mrs Linsley	97.3
2A	Mrs Clelland & Mrs Kirk	98.5
2B	Mrs Mitchinson	98.2
3A	Mrs Shaw	91.7
3B	Ms Attwood	90.2
4A	Mrs Beard	99.1
4B	Miss Rooney	98.8
5A	Mrs Kane & Mrs Clewes	96.2
5B	Ms Magnay & Miss Shepherdson	92.5
6A	Mr Catton	96.0
6B	Miss Iredale	95.0

Ready | Respectful | Safe

Next it is Week 4



PE

Tue	Y1 & Y6
Wed	Y4 & Rec
Thu	Y3 & Y2
Fri	Y5



Y5 Swimming
every Tuesday

Mon

Buzz Dance KS1 & Artventurers

Tue

JJ Football, Lego &
Forest School

Wed

Artventurers & Buzz Dance KS2

Thu

JJ Football & Forest School



Clubs



Click on Week 1 for next week's menu

Coming soon at RTPS



Ravensworth Key Dates
Terrace Primary School

Keeping families informed



A copy of '**Dates for Families**' was sent home today; ideal for sticking on the fridge. Click on the image above for a digital version if you're out and about.



Y2 West Boldon Lodge

Tuesday 6th October 2026

#RTPSLearningTogether

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**Monday 19th
October**

**Individual & sibling
photographs**



Flu Immunisations 5.11.26



Ravensworth
Terrace Primary School

The Children's Bookshow



Poet, **Matt Goodfellow**



Y5 Northern Stage
Thursday 5th November 2026
#RTPSLearningTogether



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seven stories



Y1 Visit Seven Stories

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