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Welcome to a New School Year!

Our first few weeks has been filled with exciting activities and new discoveries. The first few weeks are focused on developing relationships and setting expectations- your children have been AMAZING!

Thank you so much for your feedback on this years transition- if you have any more- please let us know.

Communication:

We will share a half termly newsletter with you to share the exciting things we have done over the course of the half term but for regular updates- please see dojo. The school story will share whole school notices while the class story will share information straight from the teacher about your child's class and their learning.



STAR OF THE WEEK

Each week, a pupil from each class will be recognised for excellence. The child's teacher will invite you in to school to celebrate them.



3.PTFA

The PTFA are a volunteer group of parents who meet half termly to discuss up coming events and plan in opportunities for the pupils of Ravensdale. If you would like to join the group please email PTFA@ravensdalej.derby.sch.uk inbox for more information.

4.UPCOMING EVENTS

For all upcoming events- please see the school calendar on the school website. We look forward to a fantastic half term with you.

Upcoming Events			
14 October 2024 Book fair in School 9:00AM - 3:30PM	16 October 2024 Y5 Shropshire Residential ALL DAY	17 October 2024 Coffee Morning with SLT 9:00AM - 10:00AM	26 October 2024 PTFA Disco - times TBC ALL DAY



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the school website

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ATTENDANCE

Attendance percentage

School	95.6%
National	95.8%
Local Authority	95.7%

Highest Year Group: Year 5 96.7%

Highest Class: Robins 98.2%



OTHER INFO

Music lessons have resumed at Ravensdale.



Rock Steady band rehearsals have started- for more information collect information from the office.

Guitar, Flute and piano lessons are also available.



After school sports club are available.

Book through Premier Sports.

Mr Scarratt would love to see you there.

SAFEGUARDING

If you are concerned for a child's welfare please speak to any of our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) Mrs Bayliss, Ms Farenden, Mrs Wright, Mrs Staley-West, Ms Hayford and Mrs Martin. Our Safeguarding Governor is Mrs Helen Fordham. Please contact the School Office if you wish to speak to any of these members of staff. Should you need further information or guidance on matters that are safeguarding related, please visit the safeguarding area on the school website. You can find it under 'Key Information'.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

October 2024

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BELONGING

At Ravensdale Junior, we believe that belonging is essential to creating a vibrant and supportive school community. We actively promote diversity, equity, and inclusion by taking concrete steps to ensure that everyone—students, families, and carers—feels valued and respected.

Our commitment to diversity means we celebrate the unique backgrounds, cultures, and experiences that enrich our school. Equity ensures that every individual is given the support they need to thrive, while inclusion means fostering an environment where everyone can participate and contribute meaningfully. By embracing these principles, we aim to make all of our families and carers feel a deep sense of belonging at Ravensdale.



Jo Brassington (they/them) is a former primary school teacher, the co-founder of Pride & Progress, and the co-author of *Pride & Progress: Making Schools LGBT+ Inclusive Spaces*.

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CHILDREN'S PARLIAMENT

The Children's Parliament is the voice of our children across Transform. It is made up of two elected Yr 6 representatives from each school within the trust. The children undertake an important role in identifying areas for improvement through consultation in school and being a driving force for change.

This year our children's parliament representatives are:

Ella & Salih



KINDNESS CAPTAINS

Being a kindness captain is a very important and valued job! The kindness captains work closely alongside the school SLT. The kindness captains lead and exemplify the aims of well-being within the school and help promote positive mental health.

Alongside the amazing support that our kindness captains, we will be offering as a listening ear in school, they will also be helping lead various activities throughout the year, such as #helloyellow and Mental Health Awareness Week. As a team, alongside Mrs Staley-West, they will help deliver activities, promote events, and share and create ideas that will be delivered in school and the community.



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READATHON

Raising money for books in children's hospitals through reading. The Readathon event runs for the week and until 6th October. During this time, children should pledge to read some/a book, magazines, blogs or anything they like. We would like the children to gather sponsors - people who will agree to give money when they children have completed the pledged reads. This money goes to an excellent charity called Read for Good which provides books and storytellers to children's hospitals in the local area. There will be opportunities during the week to read and engage with authors in school but your support at home would be appreciated.

Further details can be found in the attached letter but please message or ask your child's teacher if you have any further queries.

**Read
for Good**

Motivating kids to read



RAVENSDALE OUTDOOR AREA COMPETITION



The area outside the hall needs a redesign.
We are looking for design ideas from the children to be
submitted by 7.10.2024.
The PTFA will be working with children to create a space