



Raleigh Headlines

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- Any **toy** brought to school needs to **fit in the child's pocket**. Some larger or multiple items are being brought in and this has become tricky to manage. Children are responsible for their own belongings so please discourage them from bringing highly valued items.
- **4J's class assembly** on the Friday before half term was stunning. A truly thought provoking look at deforestation, sensitively and beautifully presented by the children. Thanks so much for the wonderful costumes parents and thanks also to Miss Johnson, Mrs Highton and Miss Bayes for producing and directing so well.
- During that afternoon all of the children worked in **mixed age-range house groups** to produce new house shields. Do pop in and have a look at the winning entries that are hanging in the Hall; one of the Ark Royal designs is above which was created by Ashleigh & Lily in Y6, Olly & Molly in Y5, Mabel, Molly & Phoebe in YR. Thanks to all of the staff for facilitating this activity and to Miss Maclean for organising it.
- This Tuesday our talented **KS2 gymnasts** competed at The Greville School in Ashted alongside six other schools. They thoroughly enjoyed it, so well done to all of them. Thanks to Miss McGuigan for organising this event and Melissa Dean from Premier Sport for training them. Ella was awarded gold for her individual performance—well done Ella! Thanks to those parents who transported and supported. See the report on page 3.
- Good luck to our team of **cross country runners** competing this Sunday at Manor House School.
- Please note that from September 2019, the **Raleigh PE Sweatshirt** will become a compulsory item of school uniform. If your child does not currently have this item in their PE kit, you will need to purchase one for the start of the new academic year. The school uniform shop is open on Thursday afternoons from 2.45pm or you can order and pay on-line via Scopay/Tucasi. Polite reminder—**Raleigh Green PE T-shirts** must be worn for PE lessons, not the different coloured house T-shirts that are only used for house events.
- Thank you to all the mothers who have booked to join us for **lunch** on 25th, 26th or 27th March. We are very much looking forward to welcoming you. **All days are now fully booked.**
- Please remember to book for **parents' evening**. If you haven't already booked, the system remains open until 6th March at 12 midday.
- **Red Nose Day**— Friday 15th March—red noses go on sale from Monday 4th March at a cost of at least £1.25 (change cannot be given). Please send your child in with their money in a named purse. On Friday 15th March, children may come in mufti for a minimum donation of £1 and if they choose to play the 'paint the red nose on the teacher' game at lunchtime, they will need an additional 50 pence.
- Some of you may be aware of the circulation of items relating to **Momo meme** and I would like to reinforce and remind our parents to educate their children about internet safety, as well as having an open conversation with them about what they are accessing via the internet.
- **Result of Referendum on Birthday sweets.** Parents have voted to keep birthday sweets, (321 voted to keep sweets, 212 voted to discontinue this practice). Thanks for your views here parents. We will therefore continue to allow sweets to be donated by parents for their child's birthday. Please respect this democratic decision and resist any further desire to air your views via email or letter! Children know to take sweets home so if you choose to then dispose of them that is your call. What we will **NOT** be doing though, is having a class list of who may or may not be given them. Suggested alternatives to send in—
 - * a popular fiction book for the class library
 - * a set of water colour pencils for the class resource cupboard or other stationery items
 - * a wet-play board game for the class (**teachers really welcomed this suggestion**—perhaps the birthday child could help choose one? Guidelines—not too many small pieces—able to be played quite quickly e.g Guess Who?)
 - * Colouring books, dot-to-dot books, puzzle books
 - * an invitation to meet after school at a park on a particular date
 - * 1 or 2 small cushions for the class reading corner (no bean bags thank you)
 - *what else?? Suggestions gratefully received.

You may have noticed that we have a lovely new triangular notice-board in the playground, located just in front of the canopies. In addition to the newsletter being posted on the website each week, and the link being sent out via email, the newsletter will be posted on the new noticeboard on a weekly basis. We are hoping that this will encourage more of you to read it!

We will no longer be putting external organisation flyers in the weekly newsletter other than for St Mary's and St Martin's Churches. If you would like to advertise a local community event by putting a flyer in the new noticeboard, you can arrange this via the school office. The charge will be £2 per week.

At morning drop-off and particularly afternoon pick-up, please do not allow your children to run around the board, swing on it and/or crawl underneath it. Thankyou!

School Matters!



Attendance

There are no attendance statistics this week as it was half term last week.
May we please remind you please to book appointments outside of the school day.
The school gate closes at 08:50 so please arrive punctually with everything you need for the day ahead.

There are still plenty of spaces available for the new after school, Year 2 Drama club which runs on a Monday and, as a result, this has now been opened up to children in Year 3.

You can sign up and pay via Scopay/Tucasi.



World Book Day

As part of our World Book Day celebrations we would like the children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character on Thursday 7th March 2019.
For your information, we will also be ringing a story-time bell at intervals throughout the day when we will all stop what we are doing and share a story.

If your child participated in the football tournament on 14th February or the Indoor Athletics on 28th January, may we please ask you to return the sports kit that was issued to them to the school office as soon as possible please. We have other events coming up and won't have enough kit if these missing items are not returned.

Thank you!

We have a lot of visits, workshops and residential coming up so may we please ask you to pay promptly.
If you are experiencing difficulty in making payments, please contact Mrs Light in the school office.

Years R & 5—Ceramic Workshop

The deadline for the payment and the form for the ceramic workshops for years R & 5 is Tuesday 5th March. We must have both your payment and the form if you wish your child to participate.

To date, we have numerous forms but no money and also a lot of money but no forms!

Thank you!

If your child has any special dietary requirements and you have not yet completed the form provided by ABM our caterers, these forms are available from the school office.
All forms submitted must be accompanied by medical evidence from your GP.

Have you left the building with one of our visitor badges, if so please return it the very next time you visit as we are desperately short.



Thank you

ELP Football Tournament.



On Thursday 14th February, a team of Year 6 boys took part in an ELP football tournament at Horsley FC.

Well done to all the boys who showed grit and determination and above all, respect to their opponents and each other.

Thank you to parents for transporting.

KS2 Gym Competition

Congratulations to the 6 children selected from KS2 to represent The Raleigh at the gymnastics competition at the Greville. They have trained hard since January, preparing for the competition before school. All of them showed great determination and resilience and worked together as a team wonderfully. It was a pleasure to watch.

Well done to Ella who placed joint 1st in the individual competition. Well done!

Thank you to the parents and grandparents who came to watch and support and thank you to Premier Sport for preparing them so well. The children loved it!



House Attendance/Punctuality Data for Spring Term 1

House	100%	Late	Overall
Roebuck	56	-17	39
Ark Royal	51	-19	32
Tyger	43	-13	30
Ark Falcon	47	-21	26

Class Attendance for the Spring Term 1

1st	1M	97.88%
2nd	2R	96.96%
3rd	4F	96.93%

Well done to 1M!

On the Friday before half term, all children took part in a house mix-up competition making house shields from recycled materials. This competition was based on an idea from Ella and Lea in Y6.

The results of this house competition were as follows.

1st	200	Ark Royal
2nd	150	Roebuck
3rd	100	Tyger
4th	50	Falcon

The winning shields are on display in the school hall with the remainder on display on the stairwells so if you are in school next Thursday for Open House, please do remember to have a look at them.

At the end of Spring Term 1, the house totals were as follows.

1st	4069	Roebuck
2nd	4045	Ark Royal
3rd	3992	Tyger
4th	3585	Falcon

The website has now been updated with this information.
Well done everyone!

Dates for your Diary

Dates in red are new dates/items added this week

DATE	EVENT
Thursday 28th February	Tickets go on sale for the Raleigh Ball
Sunday 3 rd March	Cross Country Competition, Manor House
Monday 4 th March	Year 5/6 Tag Rugby , St Peters Year 4 Swimming
Tuesday 5 th March	KS1 TAG Gym Competition, Epsom
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day Open House 15.20-16.00
Friday 8 th March	Year 4 Rainforest WOW day Cross Country at KGV
Monday 11 th March	Year 4 Swimming Year R Mufti Day – Colour Year R and 5R Ceramics Workshop No teacher-led clubs
Tuesday 12 th March	Parents Evening 16.30-19.30 5P Ceramics Workshop No teacher-led clubs
Wednesday 13 th March	Year 6 Leatherhead Theatre Visit No teacher-led clubs
Thursday 14 th March	Easter Egg Mufti Parents Evening 16.30-19.30 No teacher-led clubs
Friday 15 th March	Year 1 Brooklands Museum Trip Year 2 Visit to Marwell Zoo Year 3 Workshops by visiting Rabbi No teacher-led clubs
Monday 18 th March	Year 6 Mock SATs week Year 4 Swimming
Wednesday 20th March	Year 1 DT Day
Friday 22 nd March	Easter Fair Cross Country at KGV
Monday 25 th March	LAST Year 4 Swimming Last Glee, Chess, Football and French Clubs
Tuesday 26 th March	Year 3 Visit to Dapdune Wharf Year 5 Egyptian Museum at School Year 2 Music Festival Last Netball, Art and French Clubs
Friday 29 th March	Year R Class Assembly 09.00 Last Swim Club
Tuesday April 2 nd	Last Judo and Gym Clubs
Wednesday April 3 rd	Last Ninjas and Cheerleading Clubs
Thursday 4 th April	Open House 15.20-16.00
Friday 5 th April	END OF TERM 13.30
Tuesday 23rd April	SUMMER TERM BEGINS 08:50
Monday 29th April	Year 4 Swimming
Tuesday 30th April	Year 5 Residential leaves for Osmington Bay
Thursday 2nd May	Open House 15:20 to 16:00
Friday 3rd May	Year 5 Residential returns from Osmington Bay
Monday 6th May	BANK HOLIDAY
Wednesday 8th May	Year 3/4/5 Aquathlon at St Teresa's