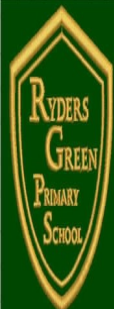




Holiday Dates for your information

18.02.22



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RYDERS GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Judged by Ofsted as a 'Good' School
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Newsletter

Half Term : Monday 21st February to Friday 25th February 2022

Return to school : Monday 28th February 2022

Term ends : Friday 8th April 2022

Easter holidays : Monday 11th April to Friday 22nd April 2022

Return to school : Monday 25th April 2022

May Day : Monday 2nd May 2022

Polling Day : To be confirmed

Half Term : Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022

Return to school : Monday 6th June 2022

Term ends : Friday 15th July 2022 (18.7.21 Commonwealth Home Learning Day,
19-21.7.21 Teacher Training Days)

Friday 22nd July 2022 is in lieu of Queen's Platinum Jubilee bank holiday

If we should have snow



....School WILL BE OPEN unless;

1. You will get a Text from school – so Keep those Mobile phones on!!!!!!
2. Listen to the Radio—Free Radio BRMB or WM - You will hear our school name if we are closed.
3. Check the school website :

www.rydersgreen.sandwell.sch.uk

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STATUTORY TEST INFORMATION

Yr1 Phonics Testing June 2022
Yr2 SATS May 2022
Yr6 SATS W/C 9TH May 2022

Please ensure your child is in school these weeks and no leave of absence is requested Thank you

We're on the Web;
www.rydersgreenprimary.co.uk



Keep washing your hands to help prevent the spread of Germs

No Pedestrian Access—Please take note.....



We can see from our cameras that some parents are still walking down the wrong side of the drive. We would like to remind parents and their children not to walk down the left side as you come down the driveway as it is not safe. The pavement comes to an end half way down and the children then have to walk in the driveway before they can cross over to the other side.

No Nuts

We have a number of children in school who have a severe allergy to nuts. We are taking this opportunity to ask/remind parents not to include anything containing nuts/nut products in their child's lunch box in order to prevent these children from anaphylactic shock.



Scooters/Bicycles

We would like to remind parents that their children must not ride their scooters or bicycles on school premises. They must dismount at the top of the drive and push them to the designated storage area. This is to prevent any accidents. Thank you for your cooperation.

Police Notice



In the road adjacent to our school we would like to remind parents about the need to park sensibly and not dangerously on bends, over dropped kerbs, complete dangerous manoeuvres or stopping on zigzags to allow children to disembark their vehicles causing great risk to them and others. PCSO's and Traffic Wardens will regularly patrol the area recording and photographing evidence, those caught will be issued with £90.00 fixed penalty notices. Parents should not be using the main driveway unless it is an emergency or prior arrangement has been sought—it is for staff only. There is also a speed limit of 5mph on the driveway.

**THIS IS FOR THE SAFETY OF YOUR CHILDREN
AS THEIR SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT**

No Smoking



May we remind parents that we have a NO SMOKING Policy that applies to the whole school site and grounds.

No Dogs



Dogs are NOT allowed on school premises at any time. This does not apply to Guide Dogs. Thank you.

No Entry



Parents bringing children to school in a car should not be using the main driveway. This is for emergencies only. Any cars on the school premises at 8.45am will not be able to leave until 9.15am. This is for the safety of your children. Thank you.



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ATTENDANCE TARGET 97%

IMPORTANT ATTENDANCE INFORMATION: Our school target is 97%. If appointments in school time cannot be avoided please ensure an appointment card (or letter) is handed to the school office prior to the appointment. If your child is absent through sickness please provide medical proof in the way of medication labels or prescription slip. Wherever possible attend school prior to appointments and return to school following the appointment. You should **not** keep your child off school for the whole morning, afternoon or all day. This applies to any kind of appointment. If your child does not return to school on the advice of a GP, always contact the school to inform them of the outcome.

Thankyou for your support.

This half term our attendance is	93.9%
And for the year so far is	94.6%
Best Year Group this half term is	Yr3 96.5%
Followed closely by	Yr6 94.6%
And.....	Yr2 93.4%
Best Year Group for Year so far is	Yr3 97.1%
Best Class Attendance for year so far is	3H 97.3%

Thank you to parents and children for doing their best during these unprecedented times.

ATTENDANCE NOTE TO PARENTS
 If children are taken out of school during Term Time it is classed as unauthorised absence. If it extends to more than 10 days we can and will remove your child from roll. Attendance Services collect all absences and will take further action if necessary.



EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS –

Every single day a child is absent from school equates to a day of lost learning.

Attendance percentages can be misleading.

100% Attendance	0 Days Missed	Excellent
95% Attendance	9 Days of Absence 1 Week and 4 Days of Learning Missed	Satisfactory
90% Attendance	19 Days of Absence 3 Weeks and 4 Days of Learning Missed	Poor
85% Attendance	28 Days of Absence 5 Weeks and 3 Days of Learning Missed	Very Poor
80% Attendance	38 Days of Absence 7 Weeks and 3 Days of Learning Missed	Unacceptable
75% Attendance	46 Days of Absence 9 Weeks and 1 Day of Learning Missed	Unacceptable

For some parents, 90% may seem like an acceptable level of attendance, but the reality is that 90% attendance means that your child will miss half a school day each week or 19 days of school during the school year – that's nearly 4 school weeks.



Give your child the best start in life—every school day counts

Leave of Absence During Term Time

We **strongly recommend** that you check term dates with school - especially before you book a holiday.

You may get fined or even lose their school place if you take your children out of school during term time.

Schools can issue [fines to parents who take their children out of school during term time](#).

Please think carefully before booking a holiday in term time. You should consider the potential impact on your child's education.

Statistics show that 10 days' absence in any academic year means pupils' learning suffers and they do worse in tests and exams.

Remember that schools do not have to provide work for students taking holidays during term time.



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Miss Hollyoake—update
Baby has arrived and both are doing well

World Book Day Lunch Menu — 3rd March 2022



Mains
James & the Giant Pizza (Margherita)

Charlie Changes into a BBQ Chicken Wrap



Sides
Dobby's Digits—Jacket Wedges, Jack's Magic Baked Beans, Very Hungry Caterpillar Salad



Deserts

Bruce Bogtrotter's—Chocolate Cake
Handa's Fresh Fruit Salad



ATTENTION

We have a few remaining spaces in our Nursery. if you know of anyone who has a three year old and is looking for 15hrs per week child care, please call in at the school office.

Make sure you book yours!



Parents entitled to Free School Meals for their children — please look out for your e-voucher which you should receive by email on Friday 18.02.22 It will be for £15 per child for one week. Did you know that if you are entitled to Free School Meals you are entitled to Free Milk—Call in at the office for a Registration Form.

Just a Friendly Reminder

We have a number of children arriving daily between 9.00am and 9.30am in the morning, some as late as 10.00am without good reason. The school day starts at 9.00am and children are allowed to enter their classrooms from 8.50am. It is very disruptive to the children who are already in school, on time and trying to work. It can also be quite distressing for the child who is late.

Attendance Services collect all absences and lates and will take further action if necessary. All reasons for absence should be reported to the school office before 9.00am.

If you think this applies to you and your children, can you please try and get them into school on time. Thank you.



After school clubs are running well, please remember to log on and cancel any clubs that your child will not be attending as another child might like to join in. The clubs run from 3.15pm to 4.15pm please be on time to collect your children at the end of the day. You can book your child onto these clubs by downloading the school gateway app. See instruction on how to do this on the school website. Thank you.



We are a GOREAD School. This app allows your children to search Bookshare by title, author, or ISBN or browse by the latest and most popular books. They can also access other libraries of content.

Basic features include the ability to search through the books and set bookmarks. There is also a summary page with information about the title. You can record your child's progress and the record will be kept for your child's entire reading school journey.

As parents, you can share information regarding tricky words and general comments to support home/school communication—If you have not already got the app go to the school website and follow the instructions.



School of Rock

On 3rd February, Children in year 6, 5 and 4 who play musical instruments had the opportunity to go to see School of Rock at the Alex theatre Birmingham. A wonderful time was had by all of the children who were extremely well behaved. Two of our children's views were 'The music was very loud and I loved the way they interacted with each other and how the children stood up to the parents and the Head Teacher — Ishkeerat and Giovani said he loved the finale - the chids version of School of Rock.



Year 3 have recently had chance to take part in a Stone Age workshop where they were introduced to what life was like for Stone Age people and handled a range of Stone Age tools and objects. They discussed how humans have evolved and then developed their hunting skills by hunting a woolly mammoth. They then talked about the skulls of Homo Sapiens and Homo Neanderthalis and had great fun making tools using different materials and digging for artefacts, just like real archaeologists. They then completed some wonderful cave paintings before learning other hunting techniques such as archery.

STEM—Science, Technology, Engineering and mathematics

Years 4,5 and 6 took part in STEM workshops in January. They learnt about Rockets and Potions. Mutahara learnt about Gravity, Air Resistance, Force and Streamlined—I liked the part when we built the rockets and tested to see how far they would go' Ishkeerat commented ' I learnt that when you turn liquid to solid it is not reversible except when using water

