



The Ryde School, Pleasant Rise, Hatfield, Hertfordshire AL9 5DR

The Ryde School Newsletter

Friday 20th December 2024

The Ryde

This term has been very successful. The children have enjoyed their learning and have especially enjoyed the enrichment activities planned by their teachers – and there have been many trips, workshops and visitors this term. All the children enjoyed taking part in the Christmas performances, and I think you will agree, that all the performances were very good. There were many positive comments about the children's singing, which is of a high standard at The Ryde. It is lovely to see the children so enthusiastic.

The School Council and Eco Committee have been meeting regularly and have begun work on many projects across the school. The children have such great ideas and are so keen to implement them.

All the staff and I would like to thank you for the cards and gifts we have received and to wish you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

What is the role of the SENCO?

We work with teachers and children and aim to ensure that everyone can learn and make progress the best they can. This can mean offering support with learning needs but also support for any social or emotional challenges for children. We may work with children as a one-off or as part of longer lasting support. We also support families with a wealth of resources and a whole range of situations.

If you think we can help, then please ask!



Mrs Hall



Mrs Rhodes

Ryde Gardening Club

The Ryde Gardening Club hold their monthly meetings in our school hall. At Christmas they invited our school choir to sing at their Christmas celebrations and the children really enjoy doing this. Parents were welcomed too.

The Ryde Gardening Club are working to install a defibrillator at the front of the school that will be accessible for the community. I will keep you informed of their progress.

Parking

I would like to remind parents to park safely and considerately when dropping off or picking up children.

Attendance Update

Our attendance has not been as good as it should be this term. At 95.4%. This is just below the national expectation of 96%.

Staffing

We have two members of staff who will be taking maternity leave next term.

Both Mrs Martindale and Mrs Sutton will be starting their maternity leave after February half term. We are actively seeking class teachers that can fill their roles until the end of the academic year. I will of course keep you informed when appointments have been made. I am sure you will join me in congratulating Mrs Martindale and Mrs Sutton.

Calendar Dates

- Jan 6th – Inset Day
- Jan 7th - Children back to school
- Jan 14th – Y5/Y6 Young Shakespeare
- Jan 29th – Y4 STEM workshop
- Feb 4th – Y3/Y6 Paleoquest workshop
- Feb 4th - Y2 Parent Activity 9:00am
- Feb 17th – 21st – Half Term
- Feb 24th – Inset Day
- Feb 28th – Y3 Parent Activity 9:00am
- Mar 5th – Y1/Y2 STEM workshop
- Mar 6th – Y4/Y5 Performance 2pm & 4pm
- Mar 7th – Y3 Celtic Harmony
- Mar 12th – Y4 Parent Assembly
- Mar 19th – Y4 Verulamium
- Mar 20th – Y2 RAF Hendon
- Mar 21st – Y3 Parent Assembly
- Mar 25th – Y5 Moving toys workshop
- Mar 26th - Y1 Parent activity 9:00am
- Mar 27th – Y2 Parent assembly
- Apr 4th – Last day of term school closes 2:00pm
- Apr 22nd – Inset Day