

# A nervous Rex!



The mystery of the strange eggs is solved. It seems that the hatchling that was living in my office was none other than baby Jack - a young T-Rex. By coincidence, a professional dinosaur wrangler visited us on Monday to teach the children about fossils. Whilst he was here we asked him to help lure and catch the young hatchling. We then had a special assembly: the children learnt about dinosaurs and they even had a surprise visit by Sophie (jack's mother). The past two weeks have been a tremendous stimulus for your children's imagination and we hope that they produce some creative writing to accompany such a unique experience. We shall share some with you in due course...



## SATS

Over the next few weeks the children in Year 2 and Year 6 will be taking their SATs tests.

**Year 2** have their assessments over a period of weeks and work in small groups to complete a reading paper and a mathematics paper.

The reading paper will be administered over the course of next week and the mathematics paper will be administered across the week beginning 21 May.

# SATs

**Year 6** will have their end of Key Stage 2 tests administered over the week beginning 14 May. The timetable is as follows:

Monday 14 May            English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2

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Tuesday 15 May        English reading

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Wednesday 16 May     Mathematics papers 1 and 2

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Thursday 17 May        Mathematics paper 3

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## **11+ tuition - for the attention of Y4 and Y5.**

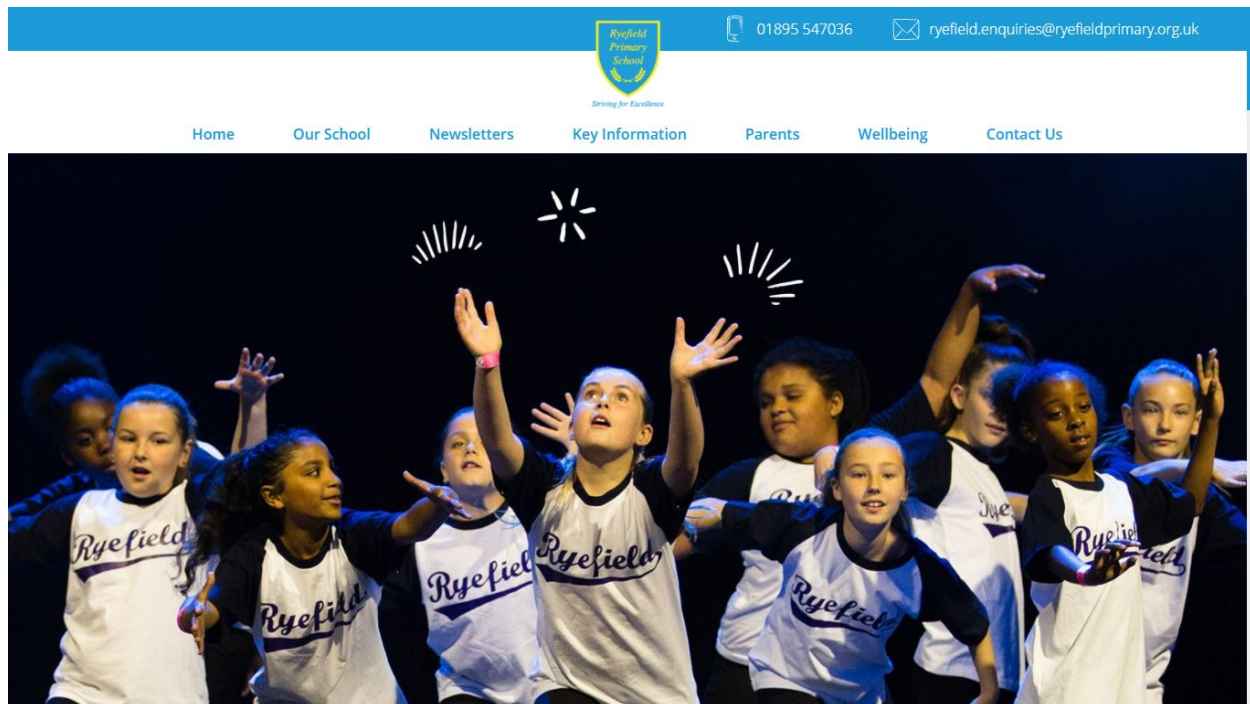
We are aware that some parents in **Year 4 and Year 5** may be considering entering their child for the 11-plus examination and past experience tells us that there are some skills that a child may find useful to learn.

Current costs for this specialised tuition can be very expensive and we at Ryefield are exploring a way to offer an additional service in which your child would benefit from teacher input at a fraction of the cost.

We therefore, would like to invite you to an informal meeting next **Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> May, at 3.30pm** to discuss how the club would run; you and your child's commitment to the course and also what you would need to consider when arranging your child's exam.

**The meeting will be held in Faraday class**

# The new website is here!



Over recent months the office have been working on updating the new school website. We felt that it was looking a bit tired, needed an update and would work on mobile devices - which is how most of us browse online now.

There may be pages lacking content but we hope you visit it and welcome your feedback.

## Curriculum enrichment:

### Tri-Golf

Bronze medals were awarded to our expert golfers who had a great time competing against other schools at Cranford School. Photos to be added soon!

# Clubs and Sports Update

Payment must be made on sQuid to confirm your child's place!

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Tennis - Yr 2,3+4	KS2 Dance	KS2 Dance	KS2 Basketball	Rugby Tots - Yr R,1+2
Football - Yr 5+6	Gymnastics - Yr 2-6	KS1 Dance	Multi Skills - Yr R,1+2	Year 3+4 Football
			Cricket - KS2	

**SPACES ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR CLUBS - ONLY £1/£2 a session - with a professional coach**

## **Year 1 trip Christmas trip: November 28, 2018:**



It may seem odd that we are talking of Christmas, especially when we have only just had our first burst of sunshine! However I am really excited to announce that this this year we want to introduce a new tradition at Ryefield - and that is children having the experience of seeing a West End Show. We thought long and hard about the show and settled on Sadler Well's annual Christmas performance of Raymond Brigg's much loved 'The Snowman'.

We have secured 60 spaces and will initially offer them to children in Year 1 (September 2018), however any available seats will then be made open to parents, siblings and other children in the school. The cost of £19 includes the ticket and transportation by coach: there and back again. Bargain!

## Westminster Mile – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May

Last week the children in key stage 2 all received a letter inviting them and their families to take part in a London Marathon spin off event called the Vitality Westminster Mile. The event is open to anyone who would like to run a mile (1.6km) on a course which starts on The Mall and finishes in front of Buckingham Palace. Mrs Hope has already received reply slips from 13 families to join Team Ryefield on the starting line at 10.40am. If you are interested, there is still time to register before Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May, so collect the information you need either from the office or from Mrs Hope in Brunel 3 at the beginning of the school day.



## Be prepared for warm weather!

We're hoping for a glorious warm summer once again and as it approaches we would like to remind you of a few school rules relating to the warmer weather.

- Please ensure you apply sunscreen to your child before they come to school to protect them throughout the day.
- Please supply your child with a sunhat and appropriate uniform for the weather.
- Children should bring a bottle of water to school to keep them hydrated during the day. (Children have access to water in class and at lunch as well as the water fountains around school)
- Sunglasses should not be worn unless they are prescription or for medical reasons.
- If your child suffers from hayfever please ensure they take their medication before school so to last them throughout the day.

If you have any empty ink cartridges or old mobile phones we have a collection point in the office for them. All items collected will be recycled to provide funds for the Dogs Trust Charity.



# LOST PROPERTY

There are bag fulls of lost property to the left of the KS1 path from the main entrance past the after school club green fenced playground. Please have a look if you or your child have lost anything and hopefully we can get it all returned to its rightful owner. Any lost property still left by Friday 4th May will be donated to charity.

## Lunches

**If you have unpaid fees for lunch - please ensure that your account is settled. Your child will not receive a school lunch until their sQuid account has credit!**

**Contact the School Operations Manager for further details.**

**Don't forget to apply for Free School Meals at <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>**

**Order your child's school meal here for next week!**

# Upcoming Dates For Your Diary

*Week beginning the 7th May - KS1 SATs: Reading*

**Topaz Class Assembly - Friday 18th May @ 2.45pm**

*Week beginning the 14th May - KS2 SATs*

*Week beginning the 21st May - KS1 SATs: Maths*

**Year ¾ Production - Friday 25th May - Yr 3 Parents 9.15am  
Yr 4 Parents 2.00pm**

**HALF TERM: 28 May - 1 June**

**Amber Class Assembly - Friday 8th June @ 2.45pm**

**FOR Party in the Playground - Saturday 9th June**

**Year 1 trip to the Discovery Centre - Wednesday 14th June**

**September 2017 Reception Meetings - Wednesday 14th June**

**FOR Fathers Day Shop - Friday 15th June**

**Gandhi Class Assembly - Friday 15th June @ 2.45pm**

**KS1 + KS2 Sports Day - Tuesday 19th June**

**EYFS Sports Day - Thursday 21st June**

**Amethyst Class Assembly - Friday 22nd June @ 2.45pm**

**Sapphire Class Assembly - Friday 29th June @ 2.45pm**

**Year 6 PGL - Friday 29th June - Monday 2nd July**

**Hillingdon Transition Day for Year 6 - Tuesday 3rd July**

**Year 5 Camping - Tuesday 3rd - Thursday 5th July**

**Year 6 Show - Thursday 5th July**

**INSET Day - No children should attend - Friday 6th July**

**The Big Sit Out - Friday 13th July**

**Talent Show - Wednesday 18th July**

**Leavers Disco - Thursday 19th July**

**No after school clubs in the last week of the summer term.**

**End of Term - Friday 20th July (School finishes at 1.30pm)**