



Striving for Excellence

Ryefield's Weekly Newsletter

05-10-2018



We are really excited to announce that Ryefield will be sending some of your children's work into space and that you will be able to watch the launch via a live stream! To celebrate the expansion of the Vanguard Learning Trust to three schools (Ruislip High, Ryefield and Vyners) we are sending a message to the stars.

The payload - covered in questions and artwork from children at Ryefield will travel, via a high altitude balloon, through the stratosphere into the troposphere and beyond! All of this can be viewed in real time via the following links:



Youtube live stream:



Balloon tracker:



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Live photos:

The launch, which will take place in Aylesbury, is weather dependent and may be delayed if there is any risk of its flight path taking it towards an airport: e.g Luton/Heathrow...

We anticipate a 11:00 launch to take place next week so tune in and take part. We will update you via

Reading Rocks at Ryefield!

You may have seen your child reading from what, at first glance, appears to be a shopping receipt but is in fact a short story! We are proud that we are the **ONLY** school in the UK to have the Short Edition Story Dispenser. Your child has the option of choosing a randomly selected story which takes them 1, 3 or 5 minutes to read.

The response was amazing and although we have only had the machine with us for a week we have racked up an amazing 686 stories dispensed, this equates to 2472 minutes of reading time - or 41 hours!!!

To raise further funds for books in school we are having a **non-uniform day on 11 October** - suggested contribution £1 or £2. All money will go purchasing high quality reading books for the classroom.

Year 5 and Year 6: After school tuition - 11+ and beyond:

There are places still available for 11+ and beyond tuition and if any parents of children in Year 5 and Year 6. This is held on after school on a Thursday and if you would like to participate then please get in touch with Mrs Dearing, or the school office.



Sports Update

Bronze Ambassadors

On Wednesday morning, our two bronze ambassadors for this year travelled to St Bernadette's Primary School to take part in the annual conference.



First they met the silver ambassadors from Barnhill High School, who were to be their mentors, and then took part in some desk-based activities – engaging their leadership and personal skills.

After a short break, they continued outside where they were able to set up and run their own activities.

Well done Connie and Mason – we have a great year ahead!



Triathlon

On Monday, Ryefield was once again invited to take a squad of triathletes to the Brownlee Foundation Mini-Triathlon Event in Willesden. This year we took 10 budding Olympians to experience the disciplines of swimming, cycling and running. They all displayed the qualities we expect of our Ryefield students as they tackled each part of the event with unflappable perseverance and enthusiasm.

After the event, the children showed how supportive and encouraging they are by cheering on individuals from other schools who were losing steam on the run portion of the course. Jonathan Brownlee was so impressed with the children's all-round sportsmanship that he actually remarked that we were his favourite school of the day.

See if you can spot Jonathan and Alistair in the photos. Instead of Where's Wally, you can play Where's the Brownlee?!

Mrs Hope





Wellies for EYFS

EYFS are getting ready for the Spring Term and asking for donations of any wellies, adult and children sizes so the children can do some planting. Thank you in advance.



Shine Night Time Walk

Mrs Sheppard has taken part in the Shine Night Time Walk, half marathon, for Cancer research in memory of a friend who sadly passed away in April. Should you wish to support this cause please click on the following link:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/angelas-giving-page-129>

Reminder to Parents

School Uniform

In line with our Uniform Policy, please could we remind everyone that trainers should not be worn to school unless for medical reasons, in which case a note should be sent in stating how long this arrangement will be in place for.

Also, we have noticed that some girls are wearing pencil-style skirts to school. Please note that skirts should be grey, knee length and a traditional school style (not tight fitting, pencil-style).


Uniform checks will be carried out starting next week - notes will be sent home if the correct uniform is not worn.

Starting secondary school

Do you have a child born between
1 September 2007
and **31 August 2008?**

If so, you must apply for a school place by
31 October 2018

For full details, key dates
and to apply online, visit:
**[www.hillingdon.gov.uk/
schooladmissions](http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions)**

or please call:
 **01895 556644**



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Sports and Clubs at Ryefield

| Day | Time | Club | Dates |
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| Monday | 3.30pm – 4.30pm | Football – Y5 & Y6 * Fully booked | 10 th Sept – 10 th Dec |
| Tuesday | 3.30pm – 4.30pm | Dance – KS2 | 11 th Sept – 11 th Dec |
| Tuesday | 3.30pm – 4.30pm | Basketball – KS2 | 18 th Sept – 11 th Dec |
| Wednesday | 3.30pm – 4.30pm | Gymnastics – Y2, Y3, Y4 & Y5 * Fully booked | 12 th Sept – 12 th Dec |
| Wednesday | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Dance with Tracey – Rec, Y1 & Y2 | 12 th Sept – 12 th Dec |
| Thursday | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Multi-Skills – Rec, Y1 & Y2 * Fully booked | 13 th Sept – 13 th Dec |
| Friday | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Rugby Tots – Rec, Y1 & Y2 | 14 th Sept – 14 th Dec |
| Friday | 3.30pm – 4.30pm | Football – Y3 & Y4 | 14 th Sept – 14 th Dec |

In order to attend the paid clubs payment needs to be made on your child's sQuid account.

Their place is not confirmed until you have paid for your child's place.

School 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!**

If sQuid does not allow you to order due to owed funds then it is your responsibility to provide your child(ren) a packed lunch.

Please note that this does not apply to children in the Early Years (Reception) and KS1 (Years 1 and 2) as you automatically receive Universal Infant Free School Meals or families who receive free school meals in KS2 (Years 3-6)

**Are you eligible for Free School Meals and access to the Pupil Premium?
Visit: <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims> to check for eligibility**

Information Received



THE GREATEST SHOWMAN
WORKSHOP

22nd-23rd October 2018

Little Ones (4-7 years):
9.45am -12.45pm

Big Ones (8-18 years):
10.00am - 4.00pm

24th-25th October 2018

Little Ones (4-7 years):
9.45am -12.45pm

Big Ones (8-18 years):
10.00am - 4.00pm

THIS IS HALLOWEEN
WORKSHOP

LED BY INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS

Both courses held at Oak Farm Infant School
Windsor Avenue, Hillingdon, UB10 9PD

WHAT YOUR CHILD WILL ACHIEVE:

Little Ones

- confidence and creativity through performance
- expressing themselves through singing, dance and drama
- beginnings of technical training in each discipline
- fundamental social skills and self-esteem

Big Ones

- Singing training including harmony work
- Understanding dramatic text and working creatively with others
- Exploring different dance styles
- Rehearsal etiquette and confidence through performance
- Gaining knowledge and experience from industry professionals

Little Ones - £40 for each two day workshop

Big Ones - £60 for two days, £100 offer for all 4 days (£50 a day)

Performance - last 15 minutes of the session on the last day

Email: chickapowproductions@gmail.com for enquiries.



Dates For Your Diary

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| Wednesday 10th October | Travelling Book Fair begins - until Friday 12th October |
| Thursday 11th October (£1/£2) | Non-Uniform Day for Reading Rocks at Ryefield |
| Thursday 11th October | Parents' Evening 3.30pm - 8.00pm |
| Friday 12th October | Faraday Class Assembly @ 2.45pm |
| Monday 15th October | Harvest Festival donations brought into school |
| Wednesday 17th October | KS1 Dance Workshop |
| Thursday 18th October | Harvest Festival - deadline for donations |
| Monday 22nd - Friday 26th October - Half Term | |
| Monday 29th October | Children return to school |
| Wednesday 31st October | No Pens Day - Communication Trust |
| Friday 2nd November | Hawking Class Assembly @ 2.45pm |
| Friday 2nd November | Non-Uniform Day - Be bright be seen (details to follow) |
| Wednesday 7th November | Diwali Workshop for Y1 and Y2 |
| Friday 16th November | Emerald Class Assembly @ 2.45pm |
| Thursday 22nd & Friday 23rd November - INSET Days - no children should attend | |
| Friday 30th November | Gandhi Class Assembly @ 2.45pm |
| Tuesday 4th December | Nasal and Flu programme |
| Tuesday 11th December | Carol Service Rehearsal |
| Wednesday 12th December | Carol Service at the church: time to TBC |
| Monday 17th December | KS1 Carol Concert - 10:00am |
| Wednesday 19th December | KS1 Christmas Party |
| Friday 21st December | End of Term |
| | KS1 finishes @ 1.30pm/KS2 finishes @ 1.35pm |