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Message from SLT

This will be the last newsletter of the term. We finish for pupils on Wednesday 27th March next week. It has been such a short half term and we seem to have reached the end of the Spring term as a whole so quickly.

We begin school term again on Monday 15th April for an action-packed summer term. We will have a shared learning event in school on Thursday 23rd May.

In June, we have our much-awaited Summer Fete at which we will unveil our new Sensory tunnel that has been created from scratch. This is due to the immense kindness of one of our parents for choosing our school to be their charity this year, benefiting from the Christmas Light display that they had created. Thanks to all the people that helped raise the amazing £8K which is going to make the sensory tunnel a huge success. We will also have our Anthony Gormley inspires Field of Love installation for everyone to enjoy on the day.

Thank you to all the staff that have made this term so positive and enjoyable for the young people. Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to three of our staff at the end of this term. Angela Franklin one of our TAs will be taking up a roll in an early years provision next term after a year with us. Angela has made a big impact in such a short time with her caring and kind nature. We hope the transition to early years will be a great success for her.

Lesley Meir, one of our great HLTA team. Lesley has been with Ravensbourne for 11 years, during which time she has

performed several vital roles. Lesley has made a huge impact on the lives of many of our young people and has also been a great mentor and guide of many staff over the years too. She will be much missed, but we wish her all the very best in her next adventure as she delves further into the world of assistive communication in her new role.

We are also very sad to be saying goodbye to Julie Galligan, one of the Assistant Headteachers as she will be taking up a role within the local authority next term. Many parents will have had the pleasure of meeting and working with Julie over the last two years through her work with the therapy team and her high-quality annual reviews. Julie has been passionate in her work for the young people and she will be a big loss to the team. We wish you all the best Julie in your new role for Havering.



28/03/24 INSET day school closed
 29/03/24 School holiday begins
 15/04/24 School opens to pupils
 23/05/24 Parents' event
 24/05/24 INSET day school closed
 27/05/24 Summer half term begins
 02/06/24 Summer half term ends
 22/06/24 School Fete
 02/07/24 End of year report to parents
 09/07/24 Meet the new Class Teacher
 19/07/24 Last day of school year

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Pupils of the week

Anaya in Reeve class: For choosing to use her left hand to purposefully press a switch.

Wuriyah in Bayley class: Using her communication device to express her wants during story massage session and Tac-Pac.

In Adepitan Class this week...

It has been a busy week in Adepitan Class as usual.

There has been a focus on early Maths and Problem Solving over the past couple of weeks and one learner has been exploring numbers and shapes. Here he is forming the pattern for 5 with oranges, printing and drawing circles and exploring the magnetic shapes.



It was our penultimate riding lesson and one learner this week managed to trot on the pony he was riding. He laughed so much while bobbing up and down in the saddle.

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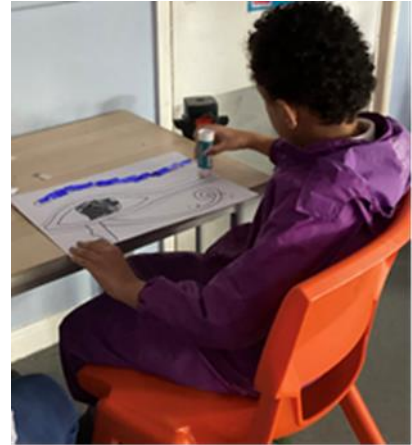
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In Art, we have been creating sensory smelly cacti and making shiny Egyptian Eyes of Horus.



having lots of fun in the playground, where some learners have developed their confidence and have quickly learnt to use the slide independently.

We also got messy playing with foamy soap. We have been exploring new friendships with other learners and

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When your child is unwell, it can be hard deciding whether to keep them off school. A few simple guidelines can help.

Not every illness needs to keep your child from school. If you keep your child away from school, be sure to inform the school on the first day of their absence. Use common sense when deciding whether or not your child is too ill to attend school. Ask yourself the following questions.

Is your child well enough to do the activities of the school day? If not, keep your child at home.

Does your child have a condition that could be passed on to other children or school staff? If so, keep your child at home.

Would you take a day off work if you had this condition? If so, keep your child at home.



Common conditions

If your child is ill, it's likely to be due to one of a few minor health conditions. Whether you send your child to school will depend on how severe you think the illness is. This guidance can help you make that judgement.

Remember: if you're concerned about your child's health, consult a health professional.

Cough and cold. - A child with a minor cough or cold may attend school. If the cold is accompanied by a raised temperature, shivers or drowsiness, the child should stay off school, visit the GP and return to school 24 hours after they start to feel better. If your child has a more severe and long-lasting cough, consult your GP. They can give guidance on whether the child should stay off school.

Raised temperature. - If your child has a raised temperature, they shouldn't attend school. They can return 24 hours after they start to feel better.

Rash. - Rashes can be the first sign of many infectious illnesses, such as chickenpox and measles. Children with these conditions shouldn't attend school. If your child has a rash, check with your GP or practice nurse before sending them to school.

Headache. - A child with a minor headache doesn't usually need to be kept off school. If the headache is more severe or is accompanied by other symptoms, such as raised temperature or drowsiness, then keep the child off school and consult your GP.

Vomiting and diarrhoea. - Children with these conditions should be kept off school. They can return 48 hours after their symptoms disappear. Most cases of vomiting or diarrhoea get better without treatment, but if symptoms persist, consult your GP.

Sore throat. - A sore throat alone doesn't have to keep a child from school. If it's accompanied by a raised temperature, the child should stay at home.

Conjunctivitis. - Children with conjunctivitis need to be kept off school until antibiotic eye ointment has been applied for 24 hours.

Impetigo. – Children with impetigo need to be kept off school until there is no more blistering or crusting, or until 48 hours after antibiotic treatment has been started.

Tell the school: - It's important to inform the school if your child is going to be absent. On the first day of your child's illness, telephone the school to tell them that your child will be staying at home. The school may ask about the nature of the illness and how long you expect the absence to last.

If it becomes clear that your child will be away for longer than expected, phone the school as soon as possible to explain this.

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