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Head Teacher's Message

Another term goes by and I have so much to report on in the life of our fantastic school.

Following a Collective Worship, led by Reverend Georgie, many staff and children promised to 'give up' or indeed 'take-up' something for Lent, including: giving up sweets; giving to charity and taking up daily exercise. I wonder how many are still on track with only two weeks left?

Within school much has happened in the last term. Continuous staff training has included safeguarding; sharing good practice with other schools and Learning Outdoors training. Year Four and Year Two children have had Forest School lessons with Grace, who has had them building, and lying in, recreations of Viking burial boats, amongst other exciting activities. Year Six have taken part in Road Safety Awareness lessons and have now found out which school they will go to when they leave us in July. To complete the term, a wonderful Mothers' Day service was held at St Peter's Church with many a watering eye! Thank you all for attending and for supporting the church with your kind donations.

Outside of school our children have represented us at: a dance competition run by The Carre's Outreach Team; various netball and football matches; the Colsterworth Music Festival, where they came a magnificent second, and a visit to Bransby Horses where the children used money raised by doing little jobs in order to sponsor twelve ponies. Well done to all the children for being great ambassadors for the school, and to the staff who give up their time to organise, prepare for, and take the children to these exciting events.

On another note: one of our team, Sarah Whitehead, is running the London Marathon in support of Dementia Revolution. Please support if you can by visiting: *virginmoneygiving.com/SarahWhitehead8*

Best wishes to everyone for a Happy Easter break from all at Rauceby Church of England Primary School.

Dave Wallace

(For more information, make sure you follow us on Twitter '@RaucebySch', and on Facebook.)

Stars of the Term

The following children have been recognised by their class teacher and Head Teacher as consistently following and living by our school's Christian Values. Well done.

EYFS:	Roxanne	Year Four:	Keira
Year One:	Ollie R	Year Five:	Eloise
Year Two:	Jacob	Year Six:	Phoebe
Year Three:	Jenson	Head Teacher:	Martha

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Summer Uniform

Please remember that children need to be in Summer uniform from the first day back after the Easter break. Please see the school website for the latest Uniform Policy.

Healthy Snacks

We understand the need for children to have a healthy, mid-morning snack at school. All children are allowed to take fruit onto the playground.

School Bus

It is great to see many of our children taking advantage of the bus to get to and from school each day. We regularly remind the children how to stay safe, and the behaviour expectations whilst travelling to and from school. We have also had visits from our local PCSOs, PC Woolerton and PC Ironmonger, to talk to the children about these. Can you please also reiterate this to them.

Parent Questionnaire

Many thanks to those who completed the questionnaire at Parents' Evening. If you haven't, and would like to opportunity to share your views, then please contact the school office for a form.

PTFA

Many thanks to the PTFA, and to the parents who support them, for helping to fund the new blinds in Millview Hall. They are already making a real difference. If you think that you can offer time or help to the PTFA please contact the office.

Afterschool Clubs

At Rauceby we pride ourselves in putting on a wide selection of afterschool clubs and activities for the children. These cannot run without the staff who volunteer to give their time after school. It is important that if your child signs up for one of these opportunities that they attend on a regular basis, and if for any reason they are unable to attend that they inform the staff member in advance. This will enable us to continue to provide these opportunities.

Dates for the Diary

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23 April	Start of Term Five (Tuesday)	
27 April	Collaborative Choir (Y6) in Sleaford	
1 May	Full Governing Body meeting	
2 May	Music for School's parent meeting	
13-17 May	Year Six SATs week	
17 May	Whole School Photograph	
20-22 May	Year Five Residential at Rand Farm	
21 May	Year Three/Four Production 1300	
22 May	Year Three/Four Production 1800	
24 May	Non-uniform Day	
	Last day of Term Five	
3 June	Start of Term Six	
4-7 June	Year Six Residential at Malham	
11 June	New Parents' Meeting	

Sporting Events As a school we take part in many sporting events throughout the year, endeavouring to include as many children as possible. This takes a great deal of organisation by staff and sometimes has to happen at relatively short notice for a variety of reasons. We would like to thank the parents who transport children to and from sporting events as without you we couldn't do as many events as we do.

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Attendance

It is not a secret that good attendance at school ensures that children have the best opportunities. The simple graph below shows how the days of absence build up.



As a Head Teacher I have to keep track of and report on attendance at our school, and part of this responsibility is to make sure parents are fully aware of their child's attendance (sometimes it can build without us realising). We acknowledge that each family's circumstances are different and that illness cannot be helped but may be a factor. For your information, an attendance percentage will have been included in your child's termly report. Please contact us if there is something that we, as a school, would benefit from knowing about your family's circumstances.

Attendance of 98% and above

The following children have an attendance, since September 2018, of 98% or more. The school average is currently 96.4% Well done everyone, including parents. Reception: Roxanne, Elizabeth, Elodie, Max E, Hugo, William, Finley, Noah, Georgina, Zara, Jacob, Amelie, Archie, Seb Year One: Freddie, Elizabeth, James F, Edward, Thomas L, Maddison, Crystal, Ollie, Mia, Emily, Sophia Year Two: Archie, Logan, Edward, Isabelle, Ruby, Gemma, Ava, Emily, Jacob, Fergus, Chloe, Grace Year Three: Emily, Lucy R, Evelyn, Jenson, Summer, Evie, Ieuan, Maya, George, Hannah, Lucy I, Grace, Isabelle Year Four: Keira, Toby, Martha, Olivia, Henry, Ryan, Willa, Harry, Darcie, Ruby, Poppy, Austin Year Five: Olivia C, Guin, Eloise, George, Olly Frankie, Thomas, Tyler, Olivia H, Harry, Alice, Daniel, Jack, Freya Year Six: Aaron, Olivia, Charlie, Dylan, Liam, Lily T, Mark, Archie, Kieran

Congratulations to **Year Three** who have the highest average attendance across the school at **97.5%**

Safeguarding: Within school all of our staff are checked as being suitable to work with children through a DBS check. If you are sending your child to out of school lessons please make sure that the adult you are sending them to is adequately checked.

Parking: Please make sure that you are being courteous when driving and parking outside of school. It gets very busy at pick up and drop off time and the safety of our children is paramount to us all.

Respect: Please continue to show respect to all of our staff who are doing their best to make sure that our children get the best education possible, thank you.

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