



# RAVENSTHORPE PRIMARY ACADEMY

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May Newsletter 22.05.2025

Message from Mrs. Ward

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*I can't quite believe we're already in June – this school year is flying by!*

*Despite the recent fire, we were determined to go ahead with our Sports Festival, and we were lucky to have such beautiful weather. It was wonderful to see so many parents there supporting the children – thank you for making it such a special day. The children had an absolutely fantastic time!*

*We've also had a successful SATs week. A huge thank you to our kitchen staff for providing breakfast each morning – it made such a difference. The children worked incredibly hard and enjoyed a well-deserved treat with a movie afternoon and a bowling trip to celebrate the end of the week.*

*It's been lovely to welcome so many of you to the cafes we've held this term. Your involvement and support mean a lot to us.*

*Looking ahead to next term, we have many exciting things planned and can't wait to share them with you.*

*Wishing you all a safe and enjoyable half-term break!*

*Thank you and take care,*

*Mrs Ward*

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## Important Dates

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***\*\*\*Friday 23rd May - School Closed - Training Day\*\*\****

***\*\*\*Half Term - Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May\*\*\****

***Monday 2nd June - School reopens***

***Thursday 5th June - First swimming session for Year 6***

***Friday 6th June - Special Menu for National Fish Day***

***Friday 13th June - Father's Day Breakfast - 9am-10:15am***

***Wednesday 18th June - Cowboy Lunch***

***Wednesday 25th June - Year 6 Theatre Trip***

***Thursday 26th June - VR Experience - Year 2 & 3***

***Thursday 3rd July - Year 2 Trip to Ferry Meadows***

***Friday 4th July - American Independence Day Menu***

***Monday 7th July - World Chocolate Day Menu***

***Thursday 17th July - Last swimming session for Year 6***

*Friday 18th July - Teddy Bears Picnic Lunch*

*Friday 18th July - Last day of school year - 1:15pm finish*

### RAVENSTHORPE PRIMARY ACADEMY

School Term Dates 2025 - 2026

AUTUMN TERM 2025		
PROFESSIONAL DAYS 1,2 & 3	Monday 1st September 2025	Tuesday 2nd September 2025
	Friday 24th October 2025	
PLANNING DAYS 1&2 (School closed)	Monday 3rd November 2025	Friday 19th December 2025
Term 1	Wednesday 3rd Sept 2025	Thursday 23rd October 2025
Half term/ School closed	Monday 27th October 2025	Monday 3rd November 2025
Term 2	Tuesday 4th November 2025	Thursday 18th December 2025
SPRING TERM 2026		
PROFESSIONAL DAY 4 & PLANNING DAY 3	Monday 5th January 2026	Friday 22nd May 2026
Term 3	Tuesday 6th January 2026	Friday 13th February 2026
Half term/ School closed	Monday 16th February 2026	Friday 20th February 2026
Term 4	Monday 23rd February 2026	Friday 27th March 2026
SUMMER TERM 2026		
Term 5	Monday 13th April 2026	Friday 21st May 2026
May Bank Hol/ school closed	Monday 4th May 2026	
Half term/ school closed	Monday 25th May 2026	Friday 29th May 2026
Term 6	Monday 1st June 2026	Friday 17th July 2026

#### PROFESSIONAL DAYS

- 1 disaggregated day (6 hours) spread across the year (3 x 2-hour CPD sessions until 6pm)

These dates could be subject to some changes. Any changes will be posted on the School Website.

- PLEASE NOTE SCHOOL CLOSES AT 1.15pm on the last day of each half term.
- Holidays will not be authorised during term time.
- Routine dental and optician appointments should be made outside of school hours or during school holidays.
- If your child needs to attend an emergency dental, optician appointment or hospital, appointment during school hours, the school office must be notified and a record of this made on the attendance file.
- If your child is absent, you must notify the school office by 9.15am on each day of absence.

Notices

*Parking*

*Please be considerate when parking at school. Disabled parking bays are reserved for those with a valid blue badge. Avoid parking in or blocking these bays, and ensure your parking does not restrict access to them. We would also like to remind you to be considerate towards local residents and not to block driveways etc. when parking. Thank you for your cooperation.*

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## Book Fair



**We're excited to announce that the Book Fair is returning during the first week of July!**

After the success of last time, we can't wait to bring you another great selection of exciting books for all ages. It's the perfect opportunity to stock up on some great reads to keep everyone entertained over the summer holidays.

More details coming soon—watch this space!

## What's Been Happening at Ravensthorpe

### Year 2

Year 2 performed an experiment as part of their science topic, solids, liquids and gases. They combined a liquid (vinegar) and a solid (bicarbonate of soda) to create a gas (carbon dioxide) which caused the balloon to inflate!



### **Year 2 Parent Café – Thursday 8th May 2025**

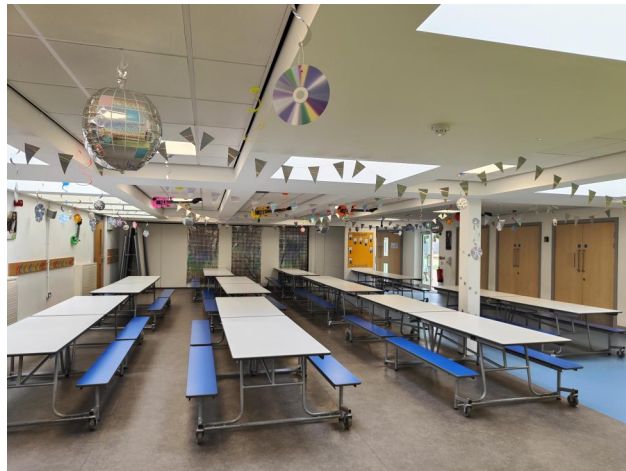
The Year 2 Parent Café was a wonderful celebration of creativity and collaboration! Inspired by Hokusai's iconic artwork *The Great Wave*, the children worked alongside their parents to create beautiful wave-themed collages. The room was filled with colour, imagination, and shared joy as families explored textures, layers, and patterns together. Thank you to everyone who joined us for this special morning – your enthusiasm made it truly memorable!





## Disco Lunch

Last week, our dining hall transformed into a sparkling sensation for Disco Lunch! With glittery beans, sparkly sweetcorn, and fabulous disco-themed decorations filling the space, lunchtime was full of fun, music, and color. The children loved the exciting twist on their usual lunch, dancing between bites and soaking up the party atmosphere. Thank you to our amazing catering team for bringing the sparkle!



### St George's Day Dragon Design Competition

We were thrilled to receive so many brilliant entries for our St George's Day *Design a Dragon* competition—each one bursting with creativity and imagination!

We're delighted to announce our winners, Milana in Year 2 and Ayesha in Year 5, who have each won a voucher for Netherton Fisheries.

A huge thank you to Netherton Fisheries for their generous donation and support!



**Well done!**