

# Newsletter

'Everyday is a learning day'...

24th November 2023

Dear Ryders Hayes Family,

Three weeks on from returning back to school after half-term and we are at full speed with many of our projects and exciting opportunities for the children, staff, families and the school.

As you are already aware we had some internal building work happening during the holidays and are delighted with the outcomes which have resulted in a cleaning cupboard merging with some space that backed into the Finance Office to create a new workspace for our Safeguarding and Wellbeing Leader, Mr Rylance. The location is perfect as it is central to the school with the room being bright and welcoming.

Transformation journey:  
(emptied cleaners cupboard)

(over half-term)



(returning from the half-term break)



We are continuing to work on the additional spaces now created for interventions and focused small group teaching as we add learning resources into the rooms. Further developments have included new tables and chairs along with other resources for the After School Club (our Art Centre), to continue enhancing the provision. The whole school is benefitting from the new sound system that was installed over the Summer holidays in the main Hall as rehearsals are underway for the Foundation Stage Christmas performances and the KS2 & KS1 Carol Service.

We look forward to seeing you all next week at our Christmas Fair on Friday 8th December at 4:30pm.

Regards  
Mrs J Paul  
Head Teacher

# **BBC CHILDREN IN NEED**



**We had a spotacular day last Friday as we gathered together fundraising for worthy cause.**

**Thank you for your generous donations to come to school in non-uniform and your Pudsey accessories.**

**Total raised: £273.60**

**All of this money makes such a difference for many children.**



# Science Selfie with your Elfie!



It's that time of year when those cheeky elves come off the shelves and start causing mischief... I wonder if any of those elves are good scientists?

If any of your cheeky elves have been getting up to any science mischief we'd love to see a 'Science Selfie with your Elfie!'

Maybe they've been making you a healthy nutritional lunch box or they might be re-potting your plants. They could even be making mixtures from your kitchen cupboards... they may have got some more ideas from here:

<https://www.science-sparks.com/elf-on-the-shelf-science-investigations/>

Whatever science they get up to we'd love to see and hear all about it - send your 'Science Selfie with an Elfie' pics in to:


[c.raxworthy-cooper@ryders-hayes.co.uk](mailto:c.raxworthy-cooper@ryders-hayes.co.uk) and I will post them on our social media sites\*

We look forward to seeing those pesky elves!

Mrs Raxworthy-Cooper  
Science/STEM Lead

\*Please only send your child in the pictures if you are happy to share on social media or just the picture of the elf if you'd rather.





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# CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Santa, food, drinks,  
range of stalls, crafts,  
plus more

Friday 1st December  
Ryders Hayes School Hall  
4.30 till 6.30

Tickets on the door  
£2 adults includes free drink  
Children Free

Santa tickets £2 includes gift,  
reindeer food and biscuit decorating



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# UPCOMING EVENTS



**HALLOWEEN DISCO**  
**THURSDAY 26TH OCTOBER**



**CHRISTMAS FAYRE**  
**FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER**



**BINGO NIGHT**  
**FRIDAY 26TH APRIL**



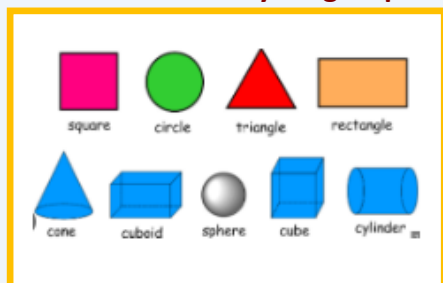
**SUMMER FETE**  
**FRIDAY 28TH JUNE**



We are always looking for volunteers and extra support to ensure that we can provide these events for children and families of Ryders Hayes, if you can spare a few hours and wish to join please contact [postbox@ryders-hayes.co.uk](mailto:postbox@ryders-hayes.co.uk)

# SPOTLIGHT

**What have our year groups been focusing on this week and what the focus after half term....?**



## Year 1

This week, we are learning about 2D and 3D shapes.

Have a look around your home. What shapes can you see?

Next week in Science we will be classifying animals. We will be using new vocabulary such as; reptile, mammal, amphibian, bird and fish.

## Year 2

This week, we have been introduced to the songs and parts for our Christmas performance!

Next week, we will begin to practise the songs in our Music lessons!



## Year 3

This week, we have been learning about St Basil's Cathedral in Art, looking at the Architect that designed the building with all its colourful artwork.

Next week, we will be using digital mapping to describe and locate Parisian tourist attractions.

## Year 4

This week, we have been exploring multiples and factors of numbers using counters and dienes.

Next week, we are writing our story of Aladdin - a modern day version!



## World War II 1939 - 1945



## Year 5

This week, we have been learning about WW2, when it took place and the reasons why it happened. We have also been reading our class text, 'Letters from the Lighthouse'.

Next week, we will be making different mechanisms in Design and Technology that we could use in our Christmas cards.

## Year 6

This week, we have been writing our very own Monster stories based on 'A Monster Calls' by Patrick Ness.

In design and technology next week we will be exploring different types of soups.



# Reminder's...

## **December:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Dec** – Christmas Fayre

**8<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Christmas Jumper Day

**22<sup>nd</sup> Dec** – Children break up for Christmas

**25<sup>th</sup> Dec – 5<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Christmas Holiday

## **January:**

**8<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Children return to school

**15<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Martin Luther King Day

A gentle reminder that parents and carers are expected to make arrangements for medical and dental appointments where possible outside of school hours, we understand that at times this can be difficult and emergency or hospital appointments may be difficult to change.

Proof of medical appointments are required and this must be shared directly with the main school office and attendance team, examples of medical appointments can be an appointment card, text confirmation/reminder or hospital letter.

A reminder that metal topped bottles and hydroflasks are not to be used in school. There have been incidents with children chipping their teeth and a full metal bottle is very heavy and a possible H&S risk.

Please send children into school with plastic water bottles only. School bottles are available to purchase through the Parentmail shop for £1.50

**OFSTED SAID:**

*"The groundwork for success starts in the excellent early years"*

*"The youngest children show a keenness to learn, cooperate and talk that is impressive"*

# OPEN EVENING

**FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS**



**20th September 4.15 - 5.45 pm**

**11th October 4.15 - 5.45 pm**

**29th November 4.15 - 5.45 pm**

We will be opening up our doors and welcoming families to visit our EYFS Pre-School, Nursery and Reception provision.



**BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW!**

**RYDERS HAYES SCHOOL, GILPIN CRESCENT, WS3 4HX**

**CALL: 01922 683008**

**EMAIL: [POSTBOX@RYDERS-HAYES.CO.UK](mailto:POSTBOX@RYDERS-HAYES.CO.UK)**



**Christingle Service - Sunday 2nd December at 4pm in church** Families and children gather in preparation for Christmas as we celebrate the Christingle

**Christmas Toy Service - Sunday 17th December 10am in church.** Church and community will be working together to collect toys for the Black Country Toy Appeal which is part of the Mayor's Appeal. People bring their toys to the special toy to be blessed and then taken to the Black Country distribution place. (more details nearer the time)



**Make your own Christingle!!!**

**Saturday 2nd December,  
St Michael's Church Hall—2-4pm**

Come and prepare your own Christingle ready for  
the Christingle service

(Sunday 3rd December 4pm,  
St Michael's Church)

Enjoy festive refreshments and  
Christmas Carols!!!

Let's begin our Christmas celebrations together!

This is a *FREE* event!  
So hurry and register by calling  
St Michael's Church Office,  
01922 685666





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# flu: 5 reasons to have the vaccine

## 1. Protect yourself

The vaccine will help protect you against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia

## 2. Protect your family and friends

Having the vaccine will help protect more vulnerable friends and family

## 3. No injection needed

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have

## 4. It's better than having flu

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions worldwide and has an excellent safety record

## 5. Avoid lost opportunities

If you get flu, you may be unwell for several days and not be able to do the things you enjoy

For more information visit  
[www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu)

Flu **i**mmunisation

Helping to protect you against flu



Winter  
Half Term

# PREMIER HOLIDAY CAMPS



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## YOUR NEAREST HAF CAMP THIS Winter

Venue: Ryders Hayes Primary School WS3 4HX

Dates: 2nd January-5th January 2024

Times: 9am- 3pm

Price: FREE

Ages: 5- 11

Additional info: Please provide your HAF code at the checkout



## PLEASE BRING

Plenty of water  
Suitable clothing  
Loads of energy!

Mix it up this half-term with our *Holiday Activities and Food* holiday camps!

These camps are a perfect blend of activities for all ages, combining different sports with a variety of team games.

Every day is different, with a mix of fun activities that children may not have tried before – from archery to fencing, lacrosse to cheer.

Book now for a half-term full of fun!



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# TRAIN TO TEACH WITH Barr Beacon SCITT?

## Primary Teacher Training places available for 2024-2025!

### Walsall Partnership

Lead Partner:



3-7 route  
5-11 route

Find out more



### Wolverhampton Partnership

Lead Partner:



3-7 route  
5-11 route

Find out more





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# TRAIN TO TEACH WITH Barr Beacon SCITT?

## Secondary Teacher Training places available for 2024-2025!

### Our Secondary Partnership

#### Walsall



#### Nuneaton



#### Birmingham



#### Staffordshire



#### Wolverhampton



#### Sandwell





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## Teaching Internships

earn £900 for a 3 week internship

Are you an undergraduate looking to find out if a career in teaching maths, physics, computing, chemistry or a foreign language\* is for you?

Undergraduates looking to teach maths, physics, chemistry, computing or a foreign language\* at any stage within their degree may participate in the Teaching Internships Programme.

The 3 week programme will commence on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024

The internship will give you a real insight into what it is like to be a teacher. You will shadow some of our most accomplished teachers, work with pupils to support their learning and even get a chance to try your hand at some teaching as well!

**Participating placement schools can be found on our website.**

**You can find out more here:**

[www.bbscitt.co.uk/teaching-internships](http://www.bbscitt.co.uk/teaching-internships)



Application form

\*We offer Foreign Language places for those wishing to teach Spanish, French or German

Apply by  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup>  
June 2024

### Further Information



Email Michael (SCITT Director)  
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