



Reepham Primary School – 01603 870321

November 2025 Newsletter

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28th November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

This half term has been full of exciting opportunities for our children. We've been delighted to welcome Miss Phelps, for a French assembly and Mr Style, for a careers talk into school. We are extremely grateful for them giving up their time to talk to the children.

Year 3 enjoyed a fantastic trip to the Time and Tide Museum, and we were thrilled to receive a call from the museum staff before the bus even returned to school. They wanted to tell us what a credit to the school the children were! We often receive calls like this, and it's something we should never take for granted. Our children really are amazing.

With Christmas just around the corner, we're looking forward to seeing you in school over the next few weeks. You'll find the key diary dates highlighted below. If anyone has any decorations we could use for the hall Christmas tree, we'd be very grateful. Please send these in before December 5th.

Key Dates

1 st	Hearing and Vision Checks Year Reception
5 th	Decorations day
5 th /8 th	Santas grotto – thanks to the Friends in advance
10 th /11 th	KS1 play AM 9:30am
11 th	Save the Children Christmas jumper £1 cash donations
12 th	Celebration Assembly/ Cake sale Y3
16 th	Y3/4 play 2pm /6pm
17 th	Carol service at the church Y5/6 1:30pm. Families of those participating invited
18 th	Christmas lunch. Wear something Christmassy!
19 th	Break up Normal time

Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

We will be supporting the National day. This is not compulsory but children can join in if they wish. In the past, we have been asked what the children should wear on the bottom half on this day. Uniform or non uniform is acceptable. If you wish to take part, please bring in £1 in cash.

Christmas lunch day

We are happy for the children to wear something Christmassy for their lunch. This can be a jumper or simply a fun hat. No donation needed for this day. Christmas lunch is Roast Chicken & Stuffing Or Roasted Vegetable Strudel With Roasties, Carrots, Cabbage and Gravy Followed by a Festive Dessert. Order on the day as per usual. Please ensure money is available on your child's account. No other food options will be available on the day.

Arbor accounts/ Pre-payment for lunches

Thank you for your support in pre paying for school lunches and keeping your accounts up to date.

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Parent survey results

We are very grateful for everyone that completed the parent survey. We were delighted with the results; they were very positive across the board. A couple of people expressed that issues were not being dealt with promptly or feedback had not been received. Please always email me at my head@reephamprimary.org.uk account if you need an urgent reply rather than on seesaw. Also, it seems some children are still not using the worry boxes in their classrooms, so teachers will do some further work to make sure they all know where to go if they need help.

Prompt closing of the gates

There was a comment on the survey about the need to close the gates on time every morning. I realise that this may appear annoying to some, however, this prompt closing is primarily for safeguarding reasons. In addition, often the person closing the gate is teaching and needs to get to the children. You can come to the front office if you arrive after 8:50am.

Staff Car Park

Please can we ask that you do not use the staff car park for dropping off or collecting your child from school or The Roost unless a prior arrangement has been made with us. There have been times recently when visitors/ staff have not been able to park. Thank you.

Rotakids crocus sale

Rotakids will be selling crocus bulbs at the cake sale this Friday and any that they have left will be available to buy at lunchtime next week. This is to support Purple for Polio.

AI information from Synergy Trust

Please find attached information regarding AI from Synergy Trust. We are working collaboratively to ensure that we are ahead of the quickly changing world.

New Parents Support Advisor

I am pleased to welcome Sam Bloomfield to the team at RPS. She is our new Parent Support Advisor, there to help support families in any way needed. She will work closely with Fiona Sadler and the staff in school to identify any help needed. Please get in touch if you would like to access any support for your child or your family.

School Lunches

Please find attached information regarding school lunches. Remember that children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school lunch. This is a great way for you to save money!

Medi Tracker

Our email system is now up and running to inform you of any First Aid within school.



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Before and After School Club

We are desperately looking to recruit for The Roost. Please ask at the school office if you are interested in joining our team.

Stars of the month

Class	Inspire	Challenge	Succeed together	Sports Award
Nightingales	Iris A	William	Stanley	Jude
Kingfishers	Alfred	Molly	George	George
Puffins	Hettie	Abel	Isaac	Poppy
Goldfinches	Elysia	Raef	Aisha	Teddy and Martha
Wrens	Sienna	Penny	George	Amelia
Barn Owls	Rosa	Isaac	Jasper	Pearl
Tawny Owls	Ivy	Flynn	Otis	Bradley

Safeguarding/ Online safety

We have attached a guide on safety on new devices. Hopefully this will be useful for anyone planning on giving new or second-hand devices as gifts this Christmas.

Please remember to come and chat to us if you have any concerns or questions regarding anything online. We may not always know the answer, but we can help signpost to many different resources.

High performing school

Thank you for continuing to support your children to have good attendance. Our school attendance is above national average currently and I am very proud of how we have worked together to improve this for our children.

Thank you for your continued support—we can't wait to celebrate the festive season together!

Caroline Henry

Upcoming dates for your diaries (please be aware these may be subject to change)

December

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19th Break up Normal time

January 2026

Weds 5th/6th

7th

30th

INSET Days- School closed to pupils

Children return to school

Celebration Assembly/ open Pm English/ Cake sale Y2

February

6th Feb

23rd

27th

Number day

Japan Week

Celebration assembly/ Cake sale Y1

March

5th

10th/ 12th

21st

20th

27th

World Book day

Parents' evening

Red Nose Day

Celebration Assembly/ Open PM – Internet Safety/ Cake sale R/N

Break up Normal time

April

13rd

22nd

24th

Return to school

World Earth day

Celebration Assembly

May

11th

15th

KS2 SATs week

Celebration Assembly / Science Open PM

June

1st

1st -12th

8th

19th

19th

22nd

23rd

25/26th

Malawi week

Multiplication check for Year 4

Phonics screening week

Celebration Assembly

Summer Fete

Sports week

Sports day- AM Years 3-6. PM Years N,R,1 and 2.

INSET Days – School closed to pupils

July

10th

14th

15th

17th

17th

Celebration Assembly

Play y5/6 6pm

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Leavers assembly 10:30am- Year 6 parents welcome

School closed at 1:15pm