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**Working together to be the best we can possibly be.**

*I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4.13*

6th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a joy to welcome everyone back to The Rackham after half term. Pupils have made a positive return to their learning and life in school. Well done everyone!

### **Safeguarding: Seat belts: the law**

The law states that any children in the vehicle you're driving must be:

- in the correct car seat for their height or weight until they reach 135 centimetres tall or their 12th birthday, whichever is first
- wearing a seat belt if they're 12 or 13 years old, or younger and over 135cm tall

**You can be fined up to £500 if a child under 14 is not in the correct car seat or wearing a seat belt while you're driving.**

### **Child Safety Week 2025.**

Child Safety Week 2025 theme is "Safety is for Sharing."

The link to the website is here: <https://capt.org.uk/child-safety-week/>

## **Child Safety Week 2025**



## Wellbeing and mental health:



### Education Inclusion Family Advisor Team Countywide Online Workshop Offer

The EIFA team would like to present our newly updated workshops on a variety of parenting and family issues for the month of **June**.

Please ensure you book onto each workshop individually by clicking on the link or scanning the QR code and completing the registration form.

Sibling Rivalry	Tuesday, 3 June 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events</a> Powered by Teams or	
Understanding and Responding to Challenging Behaviours	Tuesday, 10 June 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events</a> Powered by Teams or	
Sleep	Tuesday, 17 June 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events</a> Powered by Teams or	
Digital Safety	Thursday, 19 June 2025, 12:00-13:00	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events</a> Powered by Teams or	
Supporting Your Child with Feelings of Anger	Tuesday, 24 June 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events</a> Powered by Teams or	
Supporting Your Child with Feelings of Worry	Thursday, 26 June 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events</a> Powered by Teams or	

If you have any questions about our workshops, or the EIFA service in general, please contact [earlyintervention@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:earlyintervention@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)



### FREE Parenting Course:

Parents can sign up to a free Solihull parenting course online themselves.

- 1.
2. Enter the access code
3. Fill in the form to create an account and choose a parenting course to complete that best suits your circumstances.

### Class Photos:

Class and a Year 6 leavers photos will be taken by Kittle Photographic on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June.

If your child attends **The Rackham Pre-School** but isn't in session and you would like them included, please bring them at 11.50am ready for the photo to be taken at midday.

Children in **Ash class** and **Oak class** should come in uniform and bring their PE kits with them please.



Please see below for confirmation of clubs:

Club	Day	Time	Year Group	Dates
<b>Eco-Council (continuing)</b>	Tuesday	After school	Y1 to Y6	29 <sup>th</sup> April to 8 <sup>th</sup> July
<b>Football (continuing)</b> <b>NB All pupils must wear shin pads to play; NO football boots, only trainers.</b>	Friday	Lunchtime	Year 5/6	2 <sup>nd</sup> May to 11 <sup>th</sup> July
<b>New - Birthday Card club</b> Arts and crafts club making birthday cards to use to send to friends and family	Monday	Lunchtime	Y1 and Y2	9 <sup>th</sup> June to 7 <sup>th</sup> July
<b>Choir (continuing)</b>	Thursday	After school	Y3 to Y6	1 <sup>st</sup> May to 10 <sup>th</sup> July
<b>Crochet (continuing)</b>	Tuesday	After school	Y5 to Y6	29 <sup>th</sup> April to 8 <sup>th</sup> July
<b>Lane Academy Dance and Acro-Gymnastics</b> (Please click the link <a href="#">here</a> to book)	Monday	After school 4.30pm to 5.45pm £66.50 for 7 sessions)	Reception to Year 4	2 <sup>nd</sup> June to 14 <sup>th</sup> July

#### **How to book:**

Booking for new clubs opens at 6pm on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Waiting lists are available if clubs are fully booked.

All clubs (with the exception of Birthday Card Club) will begin during WC 2<sup>nd</sup> June

**All school led clubs will finish during WC 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025.**

#### **Carers Week:**



Carers week is 9<sup>th</sup> June to 15<sup>th</sup> June 2025. Carers Week is an annual campaign to raise awareness of caring, highlight the challenges unpaid carers face, and recognise the contribution they make to families and communities throughout the UK. It also helps people who don't think of themselves as having caring responsibilities to

identify as carers and access much-needed support.

A carer is someone who provides unpaid care and support to a family member or friend who has a disability, illness, mental health condition, addiction, or who needs extra help as they grow older. It isn't someone who volunteers or is employed to provide support.

More information here: [Home | Carers Week](#)

#### **Household Support Fund reopens for applications:**

In April, applications to the Household Support Fund (HSF) reopened. The HSF is a grant funded by the UK Government to support households experiencing immediate financial hardship and the rising cost of living.

The extension of the HSF will run from Tuesday 1 April 2025 to Tuesday 31 March 2026. Eligible households can apply for one £110 voucher in this period. More information, including [eligibility criteria and the application form](#), and can found on our website. Please contact [CommunityCV@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:CommunityCV@cambridgeshire.gov.uk) with any further queries.



Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Disco (Reception to Year 6 – booking required nearer the time)

**FWR Pre-Loved Uniform Sales Summer Term:**

Sales before and after school, on the following dates:

- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July



**Norwich City Football Development Summer Open Trials:**

Take part in weekly training sessions delivered by our UEFA qualified coaches, we pride ourselves on sessions being both educational and enjoyable for our players

- Train with highly talented players to develop skills and tactical understanding.
- The opportunity to progress within the club's development pathway.
- Full training kit.
- The opportunity to travel on residential training trips.
- Take part in fixtures against other development programmes.
- Take part in weekly training sessions delivered by our UEFA qualified coaches, we pride ourselves on sessions being both educational and enjoyable for our players
- Please see full details below of the session and how to book your place.
- Cambourne Village College (CB23 6FR) – 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> June – Book your place here  
<https://www.abler.io/shop/ncfcfd/cambridgeshire/product/Q2x1YINlcnZpY2U6NDA0MjA=>
- If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch with via email –



# County Lines in Cambridgeshire

**What do you know about County Lines? Free training for parents and carers:** The Ivison Trust (formerly known as Parents Against Child Exploitation (PACE)) are holding two evening seminars specifically for parents and carers in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough with a focus on County Lines and

Criminal Exploitation. These seminars will be delivered with a parent whose child has been a victim of exploitation, sharing their experiences and advice on responding to risks.

The sessions will share what criminal exploitation is, with a focus on county lines and explore how to spot signs that it may be happening to your child or a child you know. They will also cover trends in the local area and where to get advice and support if you are concerned.

For more information and to register a place visit [Parent webinars - county lines and criminal exploitation - Ivison Trust](#)

What parents will learn

- Learn what county lines is
- Understand what is happening in your local area
- Learn how exploiters groom children
- Understand the signs that your child might be at risk
- Know where to access support and advice if you have concerns

Upcoming webinars

- Cambridgeshire 17th June 2025 7:00pm – 8:30pm –
- Peterborough 18th June 2025 7:00 – 8:30pm –

## **EIFA Newsletter:**

Please click [here](#) for the Education Inclusion Family Advisor Newsletter for June 2025.

## **Activities and events:**

WADSY will be holding a cake sale from 3.00 - 3.45pm on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Payment by cash or card will be accepted.

**Something on a Saturday**  
**Dad's Group**  
Our NEW Saturday session!

Dads and male carers—come play, laugh, and make memories at our special Stay & Play session!

£2 per session, concessions may apply

Suitable for children up to 8 years.

**Ely Child and Family Centre**  
Saturday 21 June  
10am - 11.30am

Call or email to book  
01353 612770  
[childandfamilycentre.east@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:childandfamilycentre.east@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

**Ely HERO AWARDS 2025**

**NOMINATE YOUR HERO!**

**11 award categories**

**CATEGORIES INCLUDE**

- ★ The Janet Eisdold Smiliest Server Award
- ★ Colleague of the Year
- ★ Caring Companion
- ★ Most Amazing Professional
- ★ Neighbour of the Year
- ★ The Mike Rouse Community Champion
- ★ Environmental Champion
- ★ Best Teacher Award
- ★ Child of Achievement
- ★ Sporting Hero
- ★ The Ely Hero Award

[www.elyheroawards.org.uk](http://www.elyheroawards.org.uk)

### **Term dates for 2025 – 2026:**

Term dates for next academic year are now available on the website and can be found [here](#).

### **Uniform orders:**

Uniform items for school and pre-school pupils (**including jumpers and cardigans**) are now available from Sigma.

Pre-School: [Clubs & Groups - Sigma Embroidery & Printing](#)

Primary School: [Clubs & Groups - Sigma Embroidery & Printing](#)

Orders must be placed by parents and carers and can be collected from Sigma Embroidery on Sedgeway Business Park, Witchford.

### **Attendance:**

The Rackham has an updated policy on Attendance. Please follow this [link](#) to read the policy on the school website.

Thank you to all our parents and carers for supporting our drive for improved attendance. The Government has identified a child's attendance of 96% and above is the key figure to give best chance of academic progress. Please can we remind you that absence must be reported to the office by 9am on each day of absence.

This week's attendance: 93.2%



Looking forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

Best wishes,

Miss Turner

**Dates for your diary:**

9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> June 9 <sup>th</sup> June 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Bikeability EYFS History off the Page event Class photos (Pre-School to Year 6)
19 <sup>th</sup> June 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 trip to Audley End House and Gardens Year 2 trip to Audley End House and Gardens
25 <sup>th</sup> June 27 <sup>th</sup> June 27 <sup>th</sup> June 29 <sup>th</sup> June	FWR Uniform Sale Year 3/4 History off the Page event Non uniform 'bring a bottle day' for FWR Funday Sunday Funday Sunday
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	FWR Disco – Reception to Year 6 (booking required nearer the time)
7 <sup>th</sup> July 10 <sup>th</sup> July 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Move Up Day Pre-School, EYFS and KS1 Sports Day (booking required nearer the time) KS2 Sports Day (booking required nearer the time)
14 <sup>th</sup> July 16 <sup>th</sup> July 17 <sup>th</sup> July 17 <sup>th</sup> July 17 <sup>th</sup> July 18 <sup>th</sup> July	FWR Uniform Sale Parent's Evening (booking required nearer the time) Piano and Choir Concert at 9.30am (booking required nearer the time) Parent's Evening (booking required nearer the time) Reserve Sports Day for Pre-School, EYFS and KS1 Reserve Sports Day for KS2
21 <sup>st</sup> July 22 <sup>nd</sup> July  22 <sup>nd</sup> July 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 6 Leaver's BBQ (booking required nearer the time) Year 6 Leaver's Assembly to parents and carers (booking required nearer the time) Year 6 Parent or carer school buffet invitation Last day for children Professional Development Day for teachers
	SUMMER HOLIDAY