

FRIDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2026

RODBOURNE CHENEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter



MESSAGE FROM MISS HARRIS

Dear Families,

Welcome back to a new school year!

We hope you have all enjoyed a happy and relaxing summer and had the opportunity to spend quality time with family and friends. It has been a pleasure to see the children return to school, bringing with them excitement, confidence and a real enthusiasm for the year ahead.

We would like to extend a particularly warm welcome to our new Reception children and their families as they begin their journey with us. Starting school is such an important milestone, and we are delighted to have you as part of our school community. The children have settled in brilliantly and are already showing great independence, curiosity and eagerness to learn.

From Reception through to Year 6, it has been wonderful to see pupils reconnecting with classmates, engaging in their learning and embracing the routines of school life once again. Staff have been incredibly impressed with the positive attitudes, resilience and determination shown by the children during their first few days back.

We are looking forward to a year filled with exciting opportunities, memorable experiences and continued success for every child. Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support. Together, we can ensure that this is another fantastic year for our school community.

Best wishes,
Miss Harris

SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER

A quick reminder to all families about the importance of children coming to school in the correct school uniform each day, including the appropriate PE kit on PE days. Wearing the correct uniform helps children feel part of our school community, promotes a sense of pride, and ensures they are comfortable and ready for learning and physical activity.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain our high standards.

Please click the link for more information about the school uniform expectations -

[Uniform at Rodbourne Cheney](#)

Be Safe Be Kind Be Respectful

SCHOOL RULES

At Rodbourne, we have 3 rules that we teach the children, and expect them to follow. We support the children in understanding these rules through classroom discussions and assemblies. When we talk to the children about the choices they make, we will always refer back to these.

ATTENDANCE REMINDER

We have noticed an improvement in attendance since we have returned to school so thank you so much for your support in ensuring your children are arriving at school on time every day.

A reminder that the classroom doors open at 8:30am and the register will be taken at 8:35am. Registers remain open until 8:45am.

Any child arriving after 8:45am will be marked as 'Late - after registers close' which will affect your child's attendance.

If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Harris.

WOW MOMENTS!

WE ALWAYS LOVE TO CELEBRATE THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF CHILDREN ACROSS THE SCHOOL SO PLEASE CONTINUE TO SHARE THESE WITH US SO THAT WE CAN INCLUDE THEM IN THE NEWSLETTER AND CELEBRATE WITH THE CHILDREN IN SCHOOL AS WELL!



WOW!

Term 1

Learning

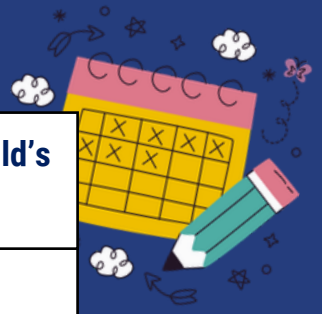
As many of you will know, we use a key text / book to support our learning all the way from Nursery up to Year 6. Last year, many teachers across The White Horse Federation came together to create an amazing common curriculum for Reading, Writing and Maths. Therefore, the children will have access to their topic text and additional texts for Reading and Writing. We absolutely loved implementing our new curriculum last year and we are really looking forward to continuing with it this year. We are thrilled that the children will have the opportunity to access a wider range of quality texts, as we believe that books are a vital part of our curriculum offer.

We are very proud of our curriculum design at Rodbourne Cheney Primary, and we are all passionate about deep and rich learning in all subjects. Each term across the school, we will have a history or geography focus. In Term 1, we will be focusing on History (KS1 upwards). Our children will be able to look at their chosen book in-depth and explore the language and themes within it. We hope that the children will enjoy their carefully selected books as much as we have enjoyed planning them! Here is a list of the children's books and topics:

EYFS/ KS1:	Nursery	Preschool	Reception	Year 1	Year 2
Theme	Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star	Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star	All About Me!	Explorers	The Great Fire OF London
Book	We're Going On A Bear Hunt	Jack and Jill	Nursery rhymes Owl Babies Little Red Hen Binny's Diwali	The Night Pirates	The Baker's Boy

KS2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Theme	Henry VIII	The Vikings	The Elizabethans	World War II
Book	Henry VIII – Guilty or Innocent?	Odd and The Frost Giants	A selection of Shakespeare stories	The Emergency Zoo

TERM 1 & 2 DIARY DATES



Thursday 15th October at 2:45pm	Parents are invited in to see their child's learning from this term!
Thursday 15th October	PTA Halloween Disco
Tuesday 20th October	Last day of Term 1
Wednesday 21st October	Teacher Training Day - school closed to children
Monday 2nd November	Term 2 starts
Monday 9th November	Individual school photos
Wednesday 11th November	Parents Evening
Thursday 12th November	Parents Evening
Monday 23rd November	Flu immunisations
Monday 7th December	The Nutcracker and The Mouse King - organised by the PTA
Wednesday 9th December	Christmas Dinner
Monday 14th December at 9:30am	Reception Nativity
Monday 14th December at 2:30pm	Year 1 and 2 Carol Concert
Tuesday 15th December at 2:30pm	Reception Nativity
Thursday 17th December at 11am	Preschool Christmas Concert
Thursday 17th December	Christmas Fair
Friday 18th December	Last day of Term 2