Rauceby Reporter

Friday 13 November

Remembrance

This week, our school community has come together to remember. Year 6 led a superb Remembrance service for children, staff and families on Tuesday. We were honoured to welcome one of our military parents, who played the Last Post on the cornet and ushered in a moment of silence and reflection. Thank you to those of you who were able to join us. Some of our Year 6 military children also attended a very special Remembrance service at International Bomber Command Centre last week. We're so proud of how they represented our school! They explored the stories of those who gave their lives in service and took part in the service by laying a wreath in remembrance of the fallen.
A meaningful experience and a lovely way to honour those we remember.

As is our tradition here at Rauceby, on Armistice Day, the whole school gathered on the school playground to observe the 11am silence, signalled by our school bell, which has stood here since well before World War I even began. Two of our youngest pupils and one of our eldest had the special responsibility of ringing it.

Children have also written beautiful poems and created a special poppy each for our mini poppy art installation outside the school hall. We think this photograph, captured by Mr Divers on Thursday evening, with the sun setting behind the display, captures a particularly special Rauceby moment.
Thank you to everyone who joined us in remembering.
















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Maths at Rauceby

Y4 Maths

Year 4 have made a fantastic start to their new maths topic on perimeter this term! They have been exploring a range of 2D shapes, sorting and classifying them into regular polygons, irregular polygons and non-polygons.
Through lots of discussion and investigation, the children have been developing their understanding of the properties of each shape and what makes them different.
A brilliant start to our new topic – well done, Year 4!





Y2 Maths

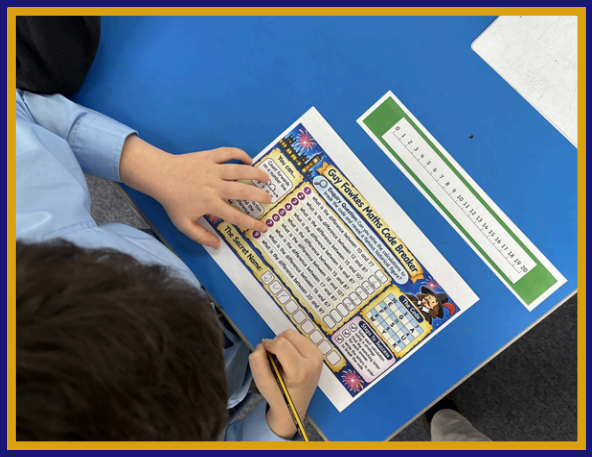
Our Year 2 mathematicians became code-breakers as they took part in a Guy Fawkes-themed maths investigation!

The children used their problem-solving skills to work out the difference between two numbers and crack a secret code. They carefully selected the most efficient strategy for each calculation, choosing between counting forwards on a number line or using subtraction.

Throughout the challenge, the children developed their mathematical fluency, applied their understanding and explained their reasoning. There was lots of fantastic thinking and determination as they worked together to reveal the mystery name. Well done, Year 2!

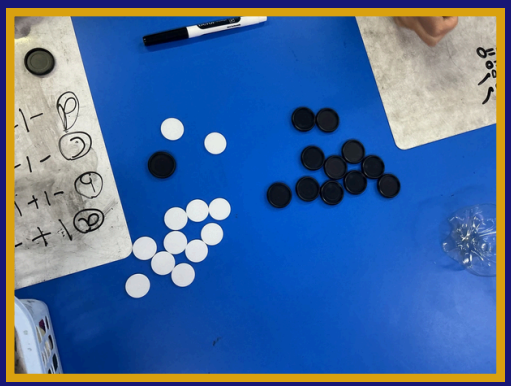






Y5 Maths

Our Year 5 children have been using some new resources this term to explore how negative numbers work. Hands-on learning helped bring this tricky concept to life as they investigated numbers below zero!





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Forest School at Rauceby

Y4 in the Forest

Our Year 4 children have settled beautifully into their Forest School block over the past couple of weeks, embracing our enchanting theme of Woodland Magic!

So far, their imaginations have been running wild as they have created cosy new shelters for our woodland creatures and crafted wonderful tree guardians to watch over and protect our Forest School.

Of course, there has also been plenty of time for child-led exploration, imaginative play and discovering the magic that our woodland has to offer.





Pure determination!
That's the only way to describe the boys at our Embers Club last week!
They showed incredible resilience, determination and teamwork as they took on the challenge of lighting the Kelly Kettle.
After collecting their own kindling, they got off to a flying start, with the base lighting beautifully! But, in true Kelly Kettle fashion, she had other ideas and just wouldn't stay alight!
Not ones to give up, the boys kept trying, safely working together, relighting it several times and encouraging each other until they finally succeeded!
A fantastic example of perseverance, problem-solving and teamwork. Sometimes the greatest lessons come from the things that don't go to plan!







Spotlight on ... our PTFA

Our PTFA do a fantastic job for the school in organising fun events for the children over the year and raising money for key projects in school which benefit all children. We currently have a small group of parents and school staff who work together to make things happen and they could really do with a few more willing volunteers on board!

They are genuinely a lovely group of volunteers - volunteering in the spirit of our school ethos and values - no cliques or nasty Whatsapp groups here! Everyone's contribution is valued - however little or how much you can support. If you are new to the school - or if you have been here for some time - and find yourself with a little bit of time to help out - our PTFA would love to here from you. It's a great way to meet others in our school community and get involved in our wider schol community.

Friends, family and grandparents are all welcome. Do get in touch with them through their email raucebyptfa@gmail.com or let us know that you are interested in coming on booard in the school office and we will sign post you to one of the PTFA team.



PTFA Break the Rules Day: Friday 20 November

We would like to invite your child to break some rules for the day in return for an item for our christmas Raffle Hampers. As per last year, we have given each class a colour theme fr their donations as set out below:

Hamper Item Donations
These should be non-perishable food items, toys, socks, blankets, candles or smellies ... anything you or your child would like to receive in a hamper!

YR: Purple
Y1: Yellow
Y2: Green
Y3: Orange
Y4: Blue
Y5: Pink
Y6: Red



On Friday 20 November, yoour child can choose a rule they woould like t break from the list below. They can break as many or as few as they like **but all other school rules will apply!** We aim to make this a fun experience for everyone!

How Can Your child Break the Rules?

- **Have crazy coloured hair or wear a wig**
- **Wear your pyjamas**
- **Bring a cuddly toy to school**
- **Wear odd socks or coloured tights**
- **Wear odd shoes**
- **Wear a crazy hat**
- **Wear a hoody**
- **Wear temporary tattoos**
- **Wear nail varnish**
- **Wear face paints**



Please note: schoool uniform should still be worn (unless yoour child is coming in pyjamas), just with the changes made from the list aboove. Please also make sure that your child has a coat and suitable shoes for outside.

Members of the PTFA will be on the gates in the morning of friday 20 November to collect the 'fines/donations' for breaking the rules. We hope yoour child/children are excited for this day of fun and fundraising. Thank you for your continued support!

'I can do all things through him who gives me strength': Philippians 4:13

Spotlight on ...our Forces Families

As a Lincolnshire School situated close to a number of RAF bases, we have a sizeable proportion of Service Children on our school roll - currently around 29%. In order to support every child navigate the uniqueness of Service family life - we have our very own Dandelion Club here at Rauceby. This year, we are working on developing what we offer our Service families, working closely with the SCiP Alliance (Service Children's Progression Alliance) and their Thriving Lives Toolkit to guide us in our next steps of best supporting Service children and families. Thank you to those of you who completed our survey last academic year - your comments and suggestions have been most useful in informing us of what you would like to see from us in school. Our first event in the diary for Service Families this year is our Dressing the Tree afternoon - we do hope you can join us! Watch this space for further Service Family news and remember our dedicated email address for all matters regarding deployment or Service Family support: dandelions@rauceby.lincs.sch.uk



Y6 Forces Children attend service at IBCC

Armed Forces Community Directory

The Armed Forces Community Directory in Lincolnshire is a resource that connects individuals and families in the armed forces community to various support services.

It includes a comprehensive list of national, regional, and local organisations providing support and advice to service personnel, reservists, veterans and their families, and covers a wide range of topics, including mental health, education, housing, and employment support. The directory also features interactive maps showing where veterans live across Lincolnshire, helping families locate local support services.

The Armed Forces Community directory is part of the Armed Forces Covenant, which ensures that those who serve or have served in the armed forces are treated fairly and respectfully. **Click on the link to take you straight to the Directory**







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Picture News and our Relationship and Behaviour Curriculum

As part of our collective worship week, we routinely share Picture News with your child. These are topical news stories that are relevant for children. They are designed to align with our Christian School vision and give children the opportunity to reflect on how the stories relate to them. As part of our Behaviour Curriculum we will also be talking to the children about their eight executive functions and behaviours that we are focusing on in school,

In each Rauceby Reporter, I will also share the themes we have covered with you - should you want to carry on the conversation with your child at home. As a Voice 21 school - we are focussed on developing children's oracy skills and feel this could be a talking point for you at home too.

TAKEHOME

2nd - 8th November



Is the journey more important than the destination?

In the news this week

British adventurer Karl Bushby has returned to the UK, after spending almost 28 years travelling around the world on an incredible journey home. Since leaving Chile in 1998, he has travelled through jungles, deserts and icy landscapes, even swimming across seas to continue his adventure. Karl's journey has been filled with amazing experiences, challenges and achievements.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Karl spent almost 28 years travelling. Why might he have chosen to take on such an enormous challenge?
- What do you imagine Karl may have learned about himself during his journey?
- Can you think of a time when you enjoyed working towards something more than actually achieving it?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

YOUR VOICE MATTERS

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

THIS WEEK'S TOPIC IS

AGE-APPROPRIATE RESPONSIBILITY



Age-appropriate responsibility ideas.

Ages 3 to 5	Ages 6 and 7	Ages 8 and 9	Ages 10 and 11
Help adults with tidying up Laying the table for dinner Put dirty washing in the basket Put on their own shoes when everyone is getting ready to leave the house	Get them to follow their own morning routine - e.g. getting dressed, eating breakfast, brushing teeth Let them choose dinner once a week - it has to be nutritious for everyone Choose something to donate to charity once every school holiday	Unload the dishwasher or dry up washing up Create a 'looking after the family pet' chart for the child to follow Ensure children pack their own school bag - have a timetable so they know when they need PE kit etc and teach them how to follow it	Have a chore rota Use an app or set up a budget plan - give pocket money and some has to be saved etc Support time management by giving a set time for something to be completed by e.g. homework/chores

What is meant by responsibility?

- Responsibility is the state of being accountable for our actions, obligations, or duties.
- Responsibility involves the recognition and acceptance of the consequences, both positive and negative, that result from our choices and behaviours.
- Being able to accept our responsibilities has been proven to support children in being more successful in their later lives.
- Modelling and talking about responsibility is an important way for children to learn as is giving children some responsibility in the home.

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Parent Support

Online safety Q+A
for Early Year and primary parents



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📅 Tuesday 1st December
🕕 6:00pm - 7:30pm
💻 Microsoft Teams
🎟️ Sign-up required

Whether your child is using tablets, gaming online, watching videos, or starting to explore apps, this session is an opportunity to get advice and answers to your questions.

Topics include:
- ✅ Screen time and healthy online habits
- ✅ Parental controls and privacy settings
- ✅ Age-appropriate apps and games
- ✅ Popular online trends, risks and safety tips
- ✅ Any online safety questions you'd like support with

Suitable for parents and carers of primary-aged children. Parents of nursery and early years children are also encouraged to attend.

https://www.tickettailor.com/events/staysafepartnership/2476488

Support for You and Your Child
Useful services for families in Lincolnshire

You are not alone

Practical help and advice for everyday challenges, emotional wellbeing and additional needs (Years 3–6)

Behaviour, emotional regulation and parenting support
- Meltdowns or outbursts at home
- Understanding your child's behaviour
- Routines, boundaries and positive relationships
- Practical parenting strategies

Anxiety, worries and emotional wellbeing
- Anxiety or persistent worries
- Low mood or feeling overwhelmed
- Difficulties coping with emotions
- Support for you and your child

Togetherness – For a brighter future
Free online parenting courses (Solihull Approach) for Lincolnshire families.
learn.inourplace.co.uk/online-learning/free-access-checker

Lincolnshire Family Hubs
Ask about local parenting courses and family support in your area.
01522 843000
www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/best-start-life

Lincolnshire Here4You – Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing Service
Parents, carers and young people can contact Here4You directly for advice and guidance.
0800 234 6342
Open 24/7 for advice (self-referrals 9am–4:30pm, Mon–Fri)
www.lpft.nhs.uk/young-people/lincolnshire

Autism, ADHD, sensory needs and additional needs (SEND)
- You think your child might have additional needs
- Sensory differences or neurodivergence
- Finding support groups and activities
- Understanding what help is available

Questions about SEND support or EHCPs
- Understanding SEND rights
- Advice about school support
- Information about assessments or EHCPs
- Impartial guidance for parents and carers

Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum
Free parent membership, peer support, workshops, events and information.
www.lincspcf.org.uk

Lincolnshire SEND Local Offer
Search for local services, support groups and activities (no diagnosis needed).
www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/start-send/what-local-offer

Liaise Lincolnshire – SENDIASS (Information, Advice and Support Service)
Free and impartial advice for parents and carers.
0800 195 1635 Mon–Fri, 9am–4pm
www.liaiselincolnshire.org.uk

Sleep, routines and everyday family challenges
- Bedtime difficulties
- Morning routines
- Screen time and boundaries
- Support with family routines and behaviour

Support for parents and carers
- Feeling overwhelmed or isolated
- Support with family life
- Your own mental health and wellbeing
- Information and advice

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Useful national support
- Family Lives – parenting advice and support – www.familylives.org.uk
- YoungMinds – children's mental health advice for parents – www.youngminds.org.uk/parent
- NHS Every Mind Matters – looking after your own wellbeing – www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters

Need urgent help?
If you are worried about a child's safety or wellbeing:
- Contact Children's Services: 01522 782111 (Mon–Fri, 8am–6pm)
- Out of hours: 01522 782333
- In an emergency: 999

Your school is here to help
If you have concerns about your child's safety, wellbeing or needs in school, please continue to speak to us so we can work together.

DYSLEXIA OUTREACH EVENTS SAVE THE DATES 2026–2027

CLICK HERE

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD AT HOME
WEDNESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 2026
MONDAY 1ST MARCH 2027*

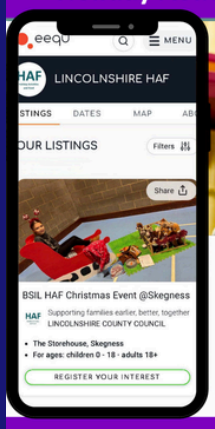
WORKING WITH YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL
MONDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2026*
MONDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2027

STUDY SKILLS AND REVISION STRATEGIES
WEDNESDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2026
WEDNESDAY 13TH JANUARY 2027*

PRIMARY TO SECONDARY TRANSITION
MONDAY 26TH APRIL 2027
MONDAY 7TH JUNE 2027*

*THESE EVENTS ARE DELIVERED THROUGH THE LINCOLNSHIRE PARENT CARER FORUM AND CAN BE BOOKED AT HTTPS://WWW.LINCSPCF.ORG.UK/ DETAILS OF THE OTHER WORKSHOPS ARE AVAILABLE BY EMAIL: DYSLEXIAOUTREACH@LINCOLNSHIRE.GOV.UK

Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)





www.eequ.org/lincolnshirehaf

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Find out more and book your place **scan the QR code**

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www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/haf
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Community News







We are regularly sent information to share with parents/carers from Lincolnshire County Council, the NHS and various other outside agencies which you may find useful or informative.

Rather than send these in separate emails to clog up your inbox, we prefer to share them within our newsletters so that you are not overloaded with emails from us.

I appreciate that not all the information shared may be pertinent for you personally, but please be mindful that it may be very useful to another fellow parent or carer.

Links are attached to each of the images which should take you direcly to the sites.

Thank you

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Achievements

Star of the Week

Amelia T in Year 1 for for her fantastically creative poetry writing

Oliver in Year 2 for fantastic work in maths

Stanley in Year 3 for his RE and world view knowledge and Raffa for his incredible Science knowledge

Eli in Year 4 for his super contributions t class discussions and explanations of his ideas.

Oliver in Year 5 for super attention t detail in his writing, and fr careful presentation

Arlen in Year 6 for working really hard in his guided reading group.

Role Model of the Week



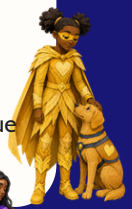
Heath in Year 1 for demonstrating our school value of kindness.



Arthur in Year 2 for demonstrating our school value of aspiration

Isla Da in Year 3 for demonstrating our school value of aspiration

Holly Year 4 for demonstrating our school value of kindness



Davey in Year 5 for demonstrating our school value of kindness

Flo in Year 6 for demonstrating our school value of kindness



Sporting Achievements





Well done to our Football team who played an away match this week against Chestnut Street, Ruskington. They played fantastically as a team and gave it their all to achieve a 3-3 draw.
Thanks to Sam - our football coach - for all his work in developing our team this year!

House Points

Red Kite	Buzzard	Falcon	Kestrel
346	271	366	338

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Dates for the Diary



Term 2

13.11.26: Individual photographs
14.11.26: 10.00-11.30 Reception 2027 Forest School Taster
16.11.26: Road Safety Awareness Week
18.11.26: 15.15 Football Match v Navenby (away)
19.11.26: Non-Fiction Author Visit
20.11.26: PTFA Break the Rules Day
23.11.26: Assessment Week Y1-Y6
24.11.26: 15.30 Football match v Church Lane (away)
26.11.26: Flu vaccinations (mop up)
26.11.26: 15.30 Netball match v Church Lane (home)

2.12.26: 18.00 Full Governing Board Meeting
3.12.26: Disability Awareness Day
3.12.26: 14.00 Military Families Dressing the tree
8.12.26: 9.30 EYFS Christmas Nativity
8.12.26: 14.00 KS1 Christmas Production
9.12.26: 09.30 Rocksteady Concert
9.12.26: 18.00 KS1 Christmas Production
10.12.26: 14.00 EYFS Christmas Nativity
10.12.26: 14.00 Rauceby Members' Meeting
11.12.26: 15.30 - 17.30 Christmas Fair
15.12.26: PTFA Raffle Draw
16.12.26: 09.30 Christingle Christmas Service @ St Peter's Church
16.12.26: Interim Reports Y1-Y6
17.12.26: Christmas Parties
17.12.26: Christmas Jumper Day
18.12.26: Christmas Lunch
18.12.26: 14.30 End of Term 2

Diary Dates Explained

- School diary dates
- Parent Events
- Sports Events

We have tried to put as many dates in the diary as possible so that you can plan ahead, although more dates will be added as the year progresses. **Please do check the diary dates in each newsletter to double check there have been no changes** to dates or times.

#thisfamilycan events: these events are where parents/carers are invited to join their child with their learning
Class worship: parents/carers are invited to join the school for class worship where your child's class will lead the worship.

Term 3

5.1.25: Term 3 begins
11.1.27: 16.30 - 18.30 Online Progress Meetings
14.1.27: 15.45 - 17.30 In Person Progress Meetings
21.1.27: Premier league trophy visits school
22.1.27: 14.00 Y3 #thisfamilycan event
26.1.27: 09.05 Y5 class worship
28.1.27: Y5 Planetarium Experience
29.1.27: 14.00 Y2 #thisfamilycan event
1.**2.27:** Y5 Bikeability Week
1.2.27: National Storytelling Week
2.2.27: 14.00 YR #thisfamilycan event
3.2.27 - 5.2.27: Y6 Residential to London
9.2,27: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Races
9.2,27: Safer Internet Day
9.2.27: 14.00 Y1 #thisfamilycan event
10.11.26: 18.00 Governor Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting
11.2.27: Y5/Y6 to Young Voices @ Sheffield Arena
12.2.27: 15.30 End of Term 3

Term 4

22.2.27: Term 4 begins
1.3.27: Careers Week
2.3.27: Holi
3.3.27: 09.30 Mother's Day Service @St Peter's Church
5.3.27: World Book Day
8.3.27: Assessment Week
8.3.27: Science Week
9.3.27: 09.05 Y2 Class Worship
12.3.27: 14.00 Y5 #thisfamilycan event
16.3.27: 09.05 Y1 Class Worship
17.3.27: 18.00 Full Governors Meeting
19.3.27: Comic Relief Day
23.3.27: Passover
24.3.27: Interim Reports (Y1-Y6)
25.3.27: 9.30 Easter Service @St Peter's Church
25.3.**27: 14.30 End of Term 4**

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Dates for the Diary



Term 5

12.4.27: INSET day (school closed to children)
13.4.27: INSET day (school closed to children)
14.4.27: Term 5 begins
19.4.27: 15.45 - 17.30 In Person Pastoral Meetings
21.**4.27:** 16.15 - 18.30 Online Pastoral Meetings
26.4.27: 17.15 Finance Committee Governors' Meeting
27.4.27: 09.05 Y3 Class Worship
3.**5.27: BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED**
6.**5.27:** 9.05 YR Class Worship
7.**5.27:** 14.00 Y4 #thisfamilycan event
10.5.27 - 14.5.27: Y6 SATs week
10.5.27 - 28.5.27: Swimming Lessons on site
12.5.27: 18.00 Teaching and Learning Governor Committee Meeting
18.5.27: Y3 Virtual author
20.5.27: 18.00 Full Governing Board Meeting
25.5.27 - 28.5.27: Y5 Residential to Malham
28.5.25: 15.30 End of Term 5

Term 6

7.6.27: Term 6 begins
7.6.27: Y4 Multiplication Check begins
14.6.27: Y1 Phonics Testing begins
14.6.27 - 23.27: Assessment Weeks
16.6.27 - 18.6.27: Y3 Residential to Rand Farm
21.6.27: National Music Day
22.6.27: 9.05 Y4 Class Worship
23.6.27 - 24.6.27: Lincolnshire Show
25.6.27: Y6 #thisfamilycan event
28.6.27: 17.15 Finance Committee Governors' Meeting
29.6.27: 9.30 - 1.00 Sports Morning and Family Picnic
6.7.27: 9.30 - 1.00 **Reserve** Sports Morning and Family Picnic
7.7.26: 18.00 Full Governing Board Meeting
9.7.27: 15.30 - 17.30 School Summer Fair
13.7.27: 14.00 Y6 Production
14.7.27: 18.30 Y6 Production
15.7.27: End of Year Reports
21.7.27: Y6 Leavers event and Y6 Leavers Assembly
21.7.27: 14.30 End of Term 6

2027 - 2028 Term Times

Term 1
Training Days 2 & 3 September 2027
Starts: 6 September 2027 **Ends:** 22 October 2027
Term 2
Starts: 1 November 2027 **Ends:** 17 December 2027
Term 3
Training Day 4 January 2028
Starts: 5 January 2028 **Ends:** 11 February 2028
Term 4
Starts: 21 February 2028 **Ends:** 31 March 2028

2027 - 2028 continued

Term 5
Training Days 18 April 2028
Starts: 19 April 2028 **Ends:** 26 May 2028
Term 6
Starts: 5 June 2028 **Ends:** 21 July 2028

Competition Time

Sleafordian Coaches

Oh baubles... the Sleafordian elves have lost our Christmas decorations! Lots of local children came up with some brilliant designs for our Easter egg competition, so we're calling on our little artists again. This time, we need you to design a Christmas bauble to help save our tree! Give us a snowman in a scarf, a reindeer driving a coach or something completely your own. We'd love to see what you come up with!

Two winners will each receive a £25 Smyths Toys voucher!

How to enter:

Print the bauble template, attached and get decorating. Ask a parent or guardian to send in your finished design using one of these options:

Drop it off at Sleafordian Coaches, Pride Parkway, East Road, Sleaford, NG34 8GL.

Scan and email it to office@sleafordian.co.uk with the subject Christmas Bauble Competition.

Please include your child's first name, school and age, plus a parent or guardian's name and contact number or email address on the back of the sheet or in the email.

Entries close on Monday 30 November 2026. Drop off your design before the office closes that day or email it by 11.59pm.Good luck, little artists. The elves are counting on you!

Thank you so much, from everyone at Sleafordian Coaches.

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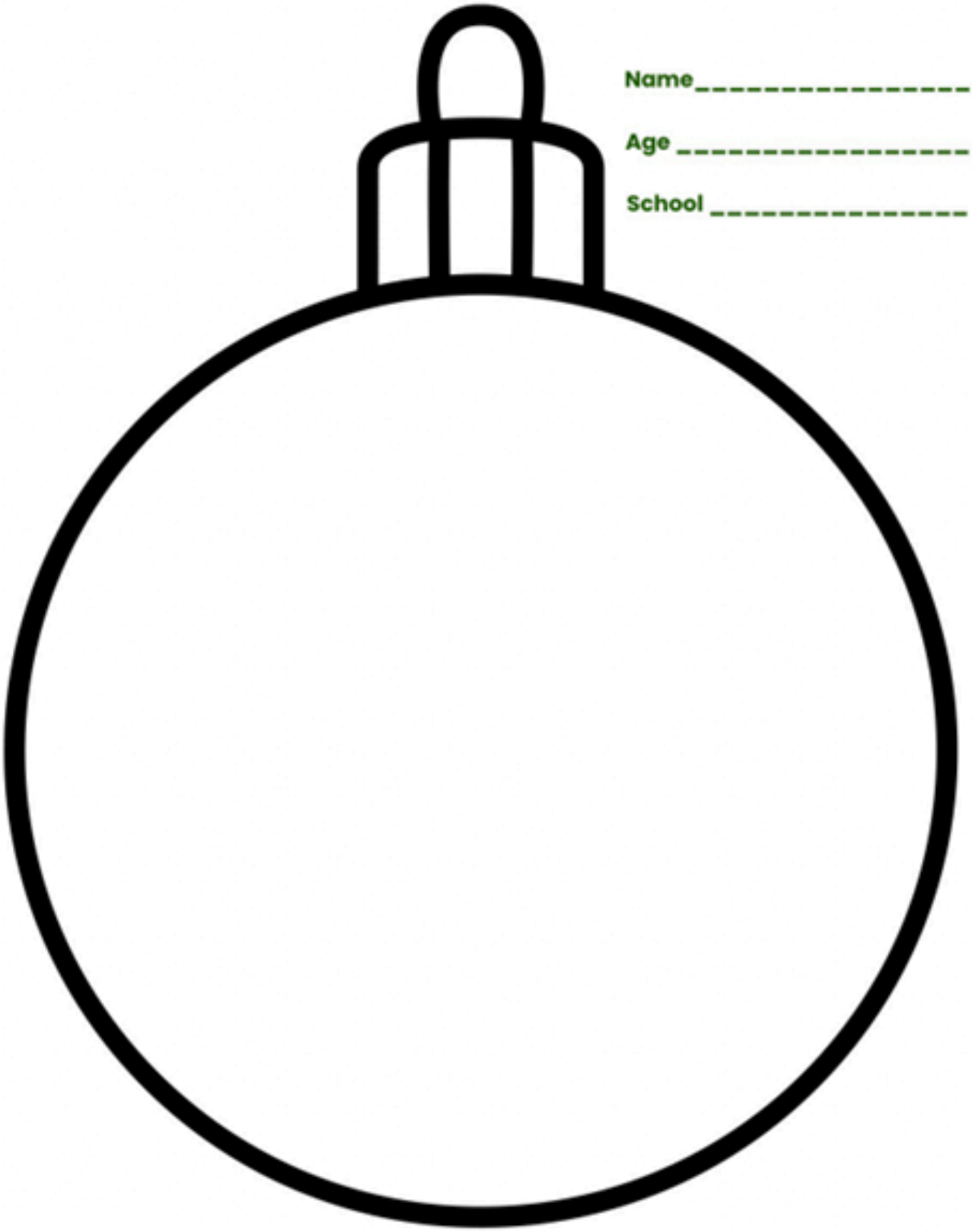
DESIGN YOUR OWN

CHRISTMAS BAUBLE



Name _____

Age _____

School _____

All entries to be dropped off to
Sleafordian Coaches, Pride Parkway, East Rd, Sleaford NG34 8GL
by Monday 30th November 2026