



Rauceby Reporter

Friday 9 January



Happy New Year 2026

A very Happy New Year to all our Rauceby children and families. I hope you've had a lovely family time over the Christmas period - it has been great to catch up with all the children's Christmas news this week. This term, we welcome Mr Owen Thaxter as our temporary Y1 teacher who will be covering the remainder of Miss Forth's maternity leave. We also welcome Mrs Boltonking, Ms Phillips and Mrs Colley who are joining us as teaching assistants working with children across the school on a part time basis. We also bring you super news on Miss McClintock - who has been off since half term having been seriously ill. I am pleased to let you know that she is now out of hospital and making a steady recovery at home. She will be popping into school to see us this term - although she is not quite ready to be back in the swing of in her usual post just yet!

Fun in the Snow

It has certainly been a chilly start to 2026 and the children have loved exploring the little bit of snow we had, and the ice collected around the playground. We all needed to warm our toes after playtimes this week!



Christmas Round Up

What a busy term we had last term in the lead up to Christmas: a visit to the Panto; four fabulous nativity performances; a trip to Rand Farm Christmas experience; a visit from Santa; Christmas parties; a delicious whole school Christmas lunch served by our magnificent and ever growing PTFA, a Christmas Rocksteady concert, an amazing Christmas Fair that raised over £2000 and a very special Christingle service at St. Peter's Church ... phew!! Here's a selection of pictures of the fun time we all had.





Parent Support

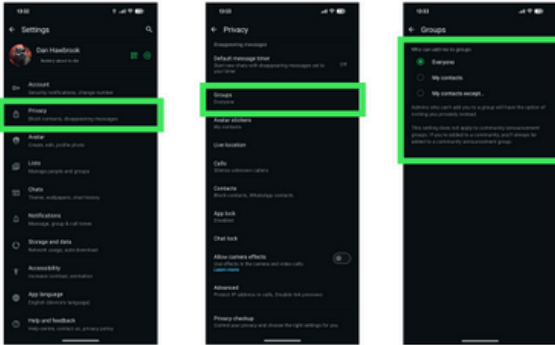
WhatsApp Group Chats



WhatsApp groups can be an incredibly useful communication tool but it can also become quite overwhelming when EVERYONE adds you to a group.

By default, WhatsApp allows ANYONE to add you to a group—they just need your phone number—but you can change this. If you tap on 'Settings' and then go to 'Privacy', one of the options is 'Groups'. This will give you 3 options to choose from:

- Anyone being able to add you to a group;
- Only people in your Contacts being able to add you;
- Anyone in your contacts can add you, but you can exclude people.



Once you have set this up, anyone who is not in your contacts (or anyone you have selected to exclude) has to send an invite to any new group they add you to—you can then either accept or decline.

This should help give your child some control over what groups they actually want to be involved in and can help them manage groups they don't want to be added to.

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SAFEGUARDING NEURODIVERSE YOUNG PEOPLE



RECOGNISING RADICALISATION RISKS AND BUILDING RESILIENCE



This workshop will help families keep young people safe from risks such as online extremism, grooming, radicalisation, and wider harms.

THESE SESSIONS WILL:

- Explore how to recognise when a young person might be at risk of radicalisation
- Support you to manage challenging conversations around online safety and wellbeing
- Help distinguish between red flags and everyday neurodiverse behaviours
- Support you to connect with local safeguarding provision

For more information please email:
kanika@groundswell.world

SCAN THE QR CODE OR CLICK THE LINKS BELOW TO REGISTER NOW

In-person:

- Tue 20th Jan, 10am-12pm

At: Lan Medlock Voluntary Centre,
St Georges Rd, Boston, PE21 6TB



- Thu 26th Feb, 1pm-3pm

At: Community Safety, Lincolnshire
County Council, Myle Cross Centre,
Macclesley Drive, Lincoln, LN2 4EL



Online (click here):

- Tue 13st Jan, 10am-12pm

- Sat 31st Jan, 10am-12pm

- Tue 10th Feb, 7pm-9pm

- Wed 25th Feb, 1pm-3pm



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How to conquer

HEAD LICE

in 6 easy steps

1. Hitting them strong and hitting them hard

There are a number of strong chemical products on the market. These seem to appeal and revolt parents in equal numbers. While some don't like the idea of strong chemicals in such close contact with their child's skin, others find it reassuring for the very same reason - if there's chemicals involved, they must be doing a thorough job.



2. Going the touchy-feely route

Also available are natural products based on essential oils and pyrethrin, which smell a lot better than the chemical-based products. Because these products aren't as strong as the chemical-based ones, they usually need to be left in the hair longer to take effect.



4. Using hair spray/ hair gel

During an infestation of nits, spray your child's hair with hairspray, or comb through hair gel to make it more difficult for the lice to attach to their hair shafts.



3. Cooking up some homebrew

Like all good homebrew recipes, everyone has a different one that they swear by. Mostly though, they are made up of things that you could find in the kitchen or bathroom. Almost all are bulked out with thick conditioner. Popular recipes usually include: tea-tree oil, eucalyptus oil, vinegar, olive oil, orange oil, lavender oil.



5. Trying the white conditioner treatment

Regular combing is the key to keeping lice under control. Apply a thick, white conditioner (it makes it easier to see the nits and lice against white) and using a nit comb, section the hair and carefully comb, wiping each comb-full of conditioner, nits and lice onto a paper towel. Keep combing until you can't see any more eggs or lice in the conditioner. Repeat after seven days.



6. Applying vinegar

Thoroughly douse your child's hair with vinegar and leave for 15 minutes to allow the vinegar to kill the lice. Apply the white conditioner treatment.



Achievements

Star of the Week

Arthur in Year 1 for trying really hard with his work

Whole Year 2 class for their dedication to our school play

Ella in Year 3 for her amazing work, editing and improving sentences

Anna in Year 4 for her Rainforest knowledge

Mari-Anne in Year 5 for her amazing progress and hard work across all subjects

Brooke in Year 6 for her determination with fractions

Role Model of the Week

Whole Year 1 class for demonstrating our school value of kindness.

Lucy in Year 2 for demonstrating our school value of aspiration

Eliza in Year 3 for demonstrating our school value of kindness

Henry M in Year 4 for demonstrating our school value of aspiration

Grace in Year 5 for demonstrating our school value of kindness

Kian in Year 6 for demonstrating our school value of kindness



Personal Achievements



House Points



1383



972



1001



980

Dates for the Diary



Term 3

6.1.26: Term 3 begins
14.1.26: 15.30 Netball v Chestnut Street (away)
15.1.26 Primary Applications close for Reception 2027 entries
16.11.26: Y5 Greek Day
19.1.26: 15.45 - 17.30 In Person Progress Meetings
20.1.26: 15.30 Netball v Winchelsea (home)
21.1.26: 16.15 - 18.30 Online Progress Meetings
27.1.26: 15.30 Football v Church Lane (away)
29.1.26: Y5/Y6 to Young Voices
30.1.26: 14.00 Y2 #thisfamilycan
2.2.26-5.2.26: Y5 Bikeability
2.2.26: 15.30 Football v Navenby (away)
6.2.26: Y2 Forest School and Sleepover Evening
6.2.26: 14.00 Y3 #thisfamilycan
9.2.26: Children's mental health week
10.10.26: Internet Safety Day
10.11.26: 9.10 Y5 Family Assembly
10.11.26: 15.30 Netball v William Alvey (home)
11.2.26: 15.30/16.45: PTFA Valentine's Disco
13.2.26: 14.00 YR #thisfamilycan
13.2.26: 15.30 End of Term 3

Dates Added Recently

15.1.26 Primary Applications close for Reception 2027 entries
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2.2.26: 15.30 Football v Navenby (away)
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Pupil Progress Meetings

Following your child's interim report, you will have the opportunity to meet your child's class teacher. A booking link will be coming to you next week, so do please take this opportunity to come into school and see how your child is getting on,

Term 4

23.2.26: Term 4 begins
27.2.26 - 1.3.26: Y4 to PGL
5.3.26: World Book Day
9.3.26: Assessment week
10.3.26: Y1 Family Assembly
13.3.26: 9.10 Mother's Day Service @St Peter's Church
26.3.26: Y4 Family Assembly
30.3.26: Interim reports
31.3.26: 9.10 Easter Service @St Peter's Church
2.4.26: 14.30 End of Term 4

Term 5

21.4.26: Term 5 begins
27.4.26: 16.15 - 18.30 Online Pastoral Meetings
29.4.26: 15.45 - 17.30 In Person Pastoral Meetings
4.5.25: BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED
5.5.26: Y3 trip to Cresswell Crags
7.5.26: 9.10 Y2 Family Assembly
8.5.26: 14.00 Y4 #this familycan event
9.5.26: 14.00 Y1 #thisfamilycan event
11.5.26 - 14.5.26: Y6 SATs week
19.5.26 - 22.5.26: Y5 Residential to Malham
22.5.26: 15.30 End of Term 5

Term 6

1.6.25: Term 6 begins
3.6.26 - 5.6.26: Y3 to Rand Farm
11.6.26: 9.10 YR Family Assembly
12.6.26: 14.00 Y5 #thisfamilycan event
16.6.26: 9.10 Y3 Family Assembly
18.6.26: 9.30 - 1.00 Sports Morning and Family Picnic
22.6.26 - 10.7.26: Swimming on site
25.6.26: Small Schools Football Tournament
3.7.26: Y6 #thisfamilycan event
8.7.26: 14.00 Y6 Production
9.7.26: 18.30 Y6 Production
13.7.25: End of Year Reports
17.7.26: PM - evening School Summer Fair
22.7.26: Y6 Leavers event and Y6 Leavers Assembly
22.7.26: 14.30 End of Term 6

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.

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ATTEND**

POSTER EXHIBITION

1 DECEMBER 2025 – 31 JANUARY 2026

**WINNERS, RUNNERS UP AND
COMMENDED ARTWORK WILL BE ON
SHOW**

This year's challenge invited young people living in NK aged 5-18yrs to design a poster that can be used by the Council to promote environmental action. Come along to see the winning entries, runners up and commended art work. Celebrate their amazing efforts showcasing their creativity and imagination.

If you have any questions please contact the Climate Change Team at posterchallenge@n-kesteven.gov.uk

Family-friendly and accessible venue:

The Natural World Centre, Whisby Nature Park, Moor Lane,
Thorpe-on-the-Hill, Lincoln. LN6 9BW

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