



Rauceby Reporter

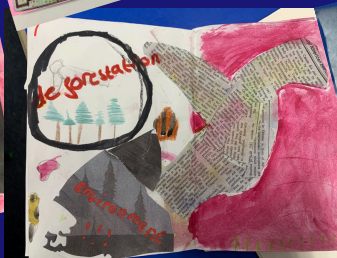
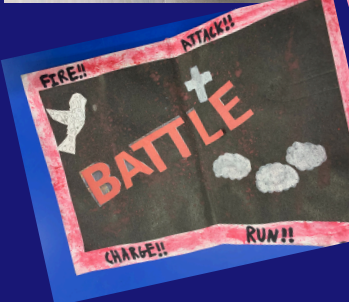
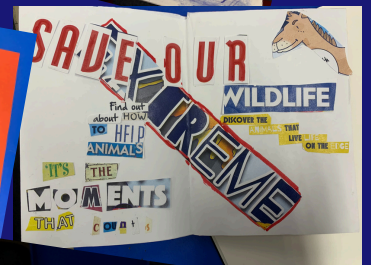
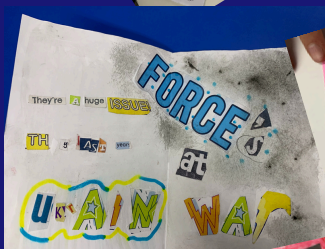
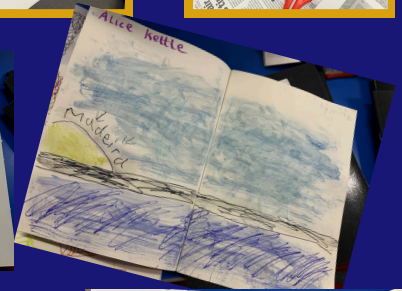
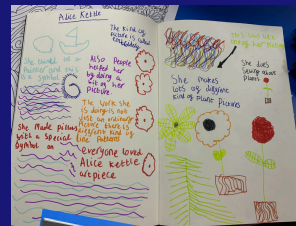
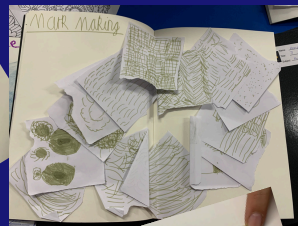
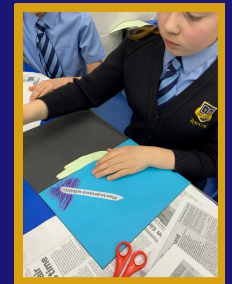
Thursday 13 February

We are Artists

At Rauceby, we believe that every child is an artist! This term, our children have been exploring their creativity in exciting ways. In Y3, we have been learning about the work of artist Alice Kettle and experimenting with different mark-making techniques in our sketchbooks. We've been fascinated by the way Kettle uses thread and textiles to create her vibrant, expressive pieces. The children have been trying out a variety of mark-making tools and materials, from charcoal and pastels to pens and paints. They've been encouraged to be bold and experimental, letting their imaginations run wild. The results have been truly inspiring!

Over in Y6, the children have been channelling their passion for global causes into their artwork. They've been using a combination of images, words, and symbols to communicate important messages about the issues they care about. It's been wonderful to see the children's confidence grow as they find new ways to express themselves through art. They're not just learning technical skills, but also developing their critical thinking and problem-solving abilities.

We're so proud of the creativity our children have shown! Take a look at some of our amazing work and our young artists in action!



The National Trust at Rauceby

Rauceby Primary School's Forest School is thriving, and we're delighted to share some new exciting developments.

This week Y5 and Y2 have been working hard alongside the National Trust team from Belton Estate planting new trees to enhance our outdoor learning environment, and a beautiful willow dome that will serve as a wonderful natural den for our Forest School and outdoor curriculum activities. The children have learned so much about the importance of trees and caring for our natural world, and they've put that knowledge into practice through their hard work and creativity.

We're so proud of our children and the incredible progress they've made in our Forest School. Y5 and Y2 have been in Forest School this term and you can see from the collection of pictures, what a fabulous time they have in this special school environment. This is such an important part of our curriculum, and we're grateful to have the support of the National Trust to help us continue to develop and expand our outdoor learning opportunities. We look forward to next term when our next KS2 class, Y1 and YR will venture down in to the woods. We are also super excited to be welcoming Rauceby Pre-School every Friday afternoon for a special early years session down at Forest School!

As we look to the future, we're excited to see what other amazing projects our children will take on in their Forest School. We know that the skills and knowledge they're gaining will serve them well, not just in their academic pursuits, but in their journey to becoming responsible, environmentally-conscious citizens. We'd love to hear from our school community about your thoughts on our Forest School and the latest developments.



World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on **Friday 7 March** (the official day is Thursday 6 March). To celebrate the love of reading, we would like to invite you to our 'Booknic' between 9.15am - 10.30am and 2.00pm - 3.15pm. Come along and spend some time reading and looking at books with your child whilst having a cuppa and a biscuit or cake. We will have Usborne books joining us too, so there will be books to buy as well as to share. After school, we will continue with our 'Bookfest' with a Book Fair in Millview Hall where you can purchase from a wide selection of books for your child.

As well as this during our lessons over the day, we will be focusing on one of Roald Dahl's most beloved characters—The BFG (Big Friendly Giant). It's a fantastic opportunity for our children to embrace the magic of reading and delve into the world of dreams and adventure.

To make this day even more fun and special, we invite all children to **come to school dressed in their favourite pyjamas!** Whether it's cozy slippers, comfy robes, or favourite bedtime stories, we encourage the children to feel relaxed and ready for a day of magical exploration.

Throughout the day, the children will engage in a variety of activities centered around The BFG, including:

- Storytime with chapters from The BFG,
- Creative crafts inspired by the book,
- Interactive discussions on the themes of dreams and friendship.

Please ensure that your child's pyjamas are appropriate for a school setting, and don't forget to send them with a warm jumper or coat for outdoor play!

We look forward to celebrating the joy of reading and imagination with your child.



**WORLD
BOOK
DAY**



Young Voices 2025

We are so excited to be heading to the Young Voices Concert today. The children have been practising the songs for many weeks and can't wait to be singing along with thousands of other children at Sheffield Arenas! Rehearsals seem to have gone well and the children are ready to sing their hearts out this evening!



YV **YOUNG VOICES**



Combat

Most Fridays, some of our children will head out to events run by Carre's Outreach team. Our children have been involved in Athletics and Combat this term. Next term we look forward to the Girls Football event!



Y1 Family Assembly

Our Y1 loved sharing their Monster Poems with their families this week - thank you for coming along! We are really proud of how confidently our Y1s spoke in front of the whole school and their friends and families!



Children's Mental Health Week

We had a great week exploring our feelings and discovering how we can overcome difficult emotions to become more resilient. The theme this year was all about Growing Yourself and the children collectively produced this lovely display in our Millview Hall. Frankie and Alicia from the mental Health Team came along too to present an assembly all about becoming a Well-being Champion in school. If your child is interested in having this role, they can collect an application form from Mrs Craddock in Y2. Applications will need to be back to Mrs Craddock on the first day of Term 4!



Meet Digger!

Next term, there will be a new staff member to our school team ... a furry one. We will be trialling the introduction of a school dog - Digger.

Digger has attended a school setting since he was 8 weeks old and has been trained following the PAT Dogs guidance for therapy dogs. Due to his training, Digger isn't fazed by much. he can tolerate loud noises and busy environments. It is very rare to hear Digger make a noise (such as crying or barking). Digger will be joining us on designated days during the week and will have his own base in school. He will particularly work with children who need a sensory break and time to regulate. This might simply be with a cuddle, brushing Digger for the stroking motion, a tug of war game for push and pull, or a run on the field playing fetch.

Digger is three years old, fully insured and he is castrated. He is also fully vaccinated and has flea and worm treatments every 12 weeks. Digger is not owned by the school but by a member of our staff team and he will be supervised at all times by an adult in school. Digger will also wear a harness to school which allows him to know he is working and also a neck scarf with his name on.

We hope that Digger will be a fabulous addition to our pastoral team at Rauceby, but we know many of you may have questions or worries regarding having a dog in school - particularly if your child is fearful of dogs or has an allergy to pet hair. I will shortly be sending you a google form where you can consent or decline consent for your child to have contact with Digger and also ask any further questions that may be concerning you. The school has written a full risk assessment which has been agreed by the Governing Board which I will also share with you.

We are looking forward to welcoming Digger to Rauceby, but this will be a planned approach once I have received all your responses and allayed any concerns.



Community News and Parental Support

Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum

If you have a child with a disability or a special need and you haven't discovered LPCF yet - do take a look at their website here [LPCF](#). There is a wealth of support, guidance, workshops and signposts for where to go next. To book any of the events on this page. click on LPCF's event's page here: [LPCF Events Page](#)

Supporting learning in the home

Date: **Monday 24th February 7.00pm – 8pm**

The Specialist Teaching Team have been invited to present a free, online workshop, sharing strategies to support learning.

Open to all parents and carers who would like ideas on supporting their child(ren) with reading, spelling, maths, memory and organisation.

The workshop is aimed at supporting children from Reception to Key Stage 3 who have cognition and learning difficulties, although parents/carers of older children may wish to attend.

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Wellbeing sessions with Nicole

Join LPCF for a free 90-minute Zoom session to help improve mental health & wellbeing. Nicole from Hummingbird Hypnotherapy will be providing proven techniques to help us make positive changes to our lives. Relax with like-minded people in a positive atmosphere.

Date: **Wednesday 26th February 7.30pm – 9pm**
Topic Time to recharge



To book your place please see the booking form on the events page of the LPCF website. See link below.

If you haven't received a zoom link a couple of days before the session please check your junk mail.

These sessions are for LPCF parent members only.

We now have a private page on the website specifically for parents who regularly attend our sessions to provide them with more resources and support between sessions.

Juggling the Joys of parenting

Thursday 6th March at 11am – Understanding Strategies

These workshops have been developed with LPCF over a number of years and are a chance for parent carers to meet other parent carers and learn new strategies in a friendly easy to use style.

Our experienced presenter Hil Gibb has worked with children and young people, parents, teachers, and headteachers for over 30 years. Hil is great at helping groups of people to find the best way forward.

The 'Understanding Strategies' workshop is designed to enable you to:-

- feel more confident when supporting your loved one
- explore the power of strategies over our behaviours
- reflect on your strategies and those of your loved one
- generate an 'action plan' for more positive outcomes
- reduce stress and drains on time and energy.

To find out more click here:

https://www.lincspcf.org.uk/DocsPDF/pjtj_2024-25juggling_the_joys.pdf

Please book on the link below.

Mental Health Support Team

FAs part of Safer Internet Day this week, the mental health team have produced a parent podcast by special guest Dan to consider how best to support your child's online wellbeing. We talk about technology's impact on our wellbeing, popular social media apps, AI and provide parents with some top tips for support their child's online wellbeing.

Click here to listen:

[Listen to this episode now](#)



Community News and Parental Support

Parking

Check out our PTFA's new safe parking banner which has now been put up on our school fence; the banner features the four winning posters from the competition at the end of last year.

Please remember do not park on the zig zags outside our school, they are there for a reason - keep our children safe!



Competition

We are delighted to invite your school to participate in our "Design Your Own Wonka Bar" competition, organized by the Harrowby Singers Amateur Musical Society. This competition is a fantastic opportunity for your pupils to showcase their creativity and be part of our upcoming production of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory."

On the school website, you will find a PDF worksheet to enter, Click here to find the worksheet: [Wonka Bar Competition](#). By participating, children have the chance to see their designs featured on the set of our show, taking place on the 12th of March.

We believe this competition will be a wonderful way for your pupils to engage in a fun and imaginative activity. It will also be a great opportunity for them to see their artistic efforts come to life on stage.

Deadline for the competition is 24th Feb.

Tickets for the show can be purchased through the following link:

. We would love for your pupils and their families to join us and witness the magic of their designs on stage.

Thank you for your time and support. We look forward to seeing the incredible designs your students come up with!

History Group

If you are interested in joining this group, the next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 18th February. 7pm in Rauceby Village Hall.**

£2 per person. Tea and coffee available.

The group are focusing on several different areas of village history. Do come along.



Achievements

Stars of the Week

Austin in Reception for settling really well into his new school.

Charlotte R in Year 1 for your fab writing this last couple of weeks.

Erin in Year 2 for always trying her best and showing perfect presentation in her books

Cory in Year 3 for phenomenal mental maths knowledge which he applies really effectively in problem solving.

Niamh in Year 4 for kindness and honesty always-a super friend.

Harvey in Year 5 for his super effort in maths.

Neave in Year 6 for willingness to learn, improve and share her fantastic ideas.

George in Reception for his super reading this week.

ory in Year 1 for his resilience in maths.

Maggie in Year 2 for an amazing quest story and excellent focus while writing.

Toby in Year 3 for demonstrating super manners in all aspects of school life.

Otis in Year 4 for his respect and inclusivity.

June in Year 5 for her amazing writing and setting description.

Jake in Year 6 for his superb effort in all subjects, working well with his table group, discussing learning.

Role Models of the Week

Myko in Reception for demonstrating our school value of kindness.

Charlotte C in Year 1 for demonstrating our school value of kindness.

Luka in Year 2 for demonstrating our school value of kindness.

Logan in Year 3 for demonstrating our school value of kindness.

Finley in Year 4 for demonstrating our school value of aspiration..

Francesca in Year 5 for demonstrating our school value of aspiration.

Skye in Year 6 for demonstrating our school value of aspiration.

Ioann in Reception for demonstrating our school value of aspiration.

Isla W in Year 1 for demonstrating our school value of aspiration.

Eliza in Year 2 for demonstrating our school value of aspiration.

Edie H in Year 3 for demonstrating our school value of aspiration.

Amelia R in Year 4 for demonstrating our school value of honesty.

Lucy K in Year 5 for demonstrating our school value of kindness.

Amelie in Year 6 for demonstrating our school value of honesty.



House Points



1518



1585



1639



1624

Dates for the Diary



Term 3

14.2.25: 15.30 End of Term 3

Term 4

24.2.25: Term 4 begins
 26.2.24: Reception visit to Tattershall Farm Park
 3.3.25: Assessment Week
 4.3.25: Shrove Tuesday
 6.4.25: 15.30 Y4 Rand Farm Information for Parents
 7.3.25: World Book Day Celebration
 10.3.25: Finance Governors Meeting
 11.3.25: Y3 Visit to Magna
 14.3.25: 14.00 Y6 #thisfamilycan event
 18.3.24: 9.10 - 10.00: SEND Coffee Morning
 18.3.25: Y5/Y6 Maths Challenge
 21.3.25: Comic Relief (plans tbc)
 25.3.25: Y4 Family Assembly
 26.3.25: 1800 Full Governors Meeting
 27.3.25: 9.10 Mother's Day Service @St Peter's Church
 28.3.25: 14.00 Y2 #thisfamilycan event
 28.3.25: Interim reports
 1.4.25: Y1 to Belton Garden Centre
 1.4.25: 18.30 'Let's Face the Music' (Musical Event)
 2.4.25: 9.10 Rocksteady Concert
 3.4.25: 9.30 Easter Service at St Peter's Church
 3.4.25: PTFA Easter Disco
 4.4.25: 14.30 End of Term 4

Term 5

22.4.25: Term 5 begins
 28.4.25: 16.15 - 18.30 Online Pastoral Meetings
 28.4.25: Teching and Learning Committee
 1.5.25: 15.45 - 17.30 In Person Pastoral Meetings
 5.5.25: BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED
 6.5.24: Y3 Visit to Cresswell Crags
 7.5.25 - 9.5.25: Y4 Trip to Rand Farm
 6.5.24: 9.10-10.00: SEND Coffee Morning
 8.5.25: 9.10 YR Family Assembly
 9.5.25: 14.00 Y1 #thisfamilycan event
 12.5.25 - 15.5.25: Y6 SATs week
 12.5.25 - 23.5.25: Elite Swimming Lessons on site
 15.5.25: Y2 Visit to Woodside Falconry
 20.5.25 - 23.5.25: Y5 Residential to Malham
 22.5.25: 9.10 Y3 Family Assembly
 23.5.25: 15.30 End of Term 5

Term 6

2.6.25: Term 6 begins
 6.6.25: 9.30 - 1.00 Sports Morning and Family Picnic
 9.6.25: Assessment Week
 17.6.25: 9.10 Y5 Family Assembly
 20.6.25: Y4 #thisfamilycan event
 23.6.25: Finance Governors Meeting
 24.6.24: 9.10-10.00: SEND Coffee Morning
 27.6.25: Sleaford Schools' Intake Day Y6
 1.7.25: 9.10 Y2 Family Assembly
 4.7.25: PM - evening School Summer Fair
 8.7.25: 14.00 Y6 Production
 9.7.25: 18.30 Y6 Production
 11.7.25: End of Year Reports
 18.7.25: Y6 Leavers event and Y6 Leavers Assembly
 18.7.25: 14.30 End of Term 6

EAST LOVEDEN GROUP



2nd FEBRUARY

10:00 ANCASTER CANDLEMASS
 11:00 BELTON HOLY COMMUNION

9TH FEBRUARY

9:00 SYSTON HOLY COMMUNION
 11:00 ANCASTER HOLY COMMUNION

16TH FEBRUARY

10:00 ANCASTER HOLY COMMUNION

23RD FEBRUARY

10:00 WILSFORD HOLY COMMUNION

ALL WELCOME

Diary Dates Explained

- School diary dates
- Parent Events
- Sports Events

Please do check the diary dates in each newsletter to double check there have been no changes to dates or times. The term dates for next academic year can be found on our website. Please do check these before booking holidays as there are sometimes small differences between Lincolnshire County Council term dates and our own.

February