



DIARY DATES

Mon 2 Nov - Fri 18 Dec
Term 2

Fri 4 Dec
Nativity DVD Filmed

Wed 9 Dec
YR - Y6
Flu Immunisations

Wed 16 Dec
Christmas Lunch & Virtual
Panto

Fri 18 Dec
Class Parties

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It has been another wonderful week at Ryarsch Primary School. This afternoon, we have decorated the school and everything is looking very festive at the moment. We are beginning to get ready for Christmas and have some really exciting plans (see parent letter this week for more detail). It's been a very unique 2020 so spreading the festive cheer among our Ryarsch family will be more important than ever.

This week, we have been thinking about our school value of respect, and we treat each other like we are family. My favourite example from this week is when a child was carrying some items and someone in their class stopped them to tie up their shoe lace for them.

Joining the staff team

We currently have an opportunity to join our Ryarsch family as a teaching assistant. To find out more, please visit <https://www.kent-teach.com/>. This closing date for the position is Monday 30th November.

Reading

At Ryarsch, we love reading. This week, I have had the privilege of observing some wonderful reading sessions taking place in our school. Since September, we have changed how we teach reading and it was great to see just how our children's reading skills are developing so well. Please continue to read with your child at home as much as possible. This makes a huge difference to the children's attainment and progress across all areas of the curriculum.

Have a wonderful weekend.

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Our Favourite Learning

This week we have really enjoyed writing our non-fiction pages all about the Great Fire of London. In Maths we enjoyed solving word problems using multiplication and the questions were all about Plop! We have also enjoyed learning about Samuel Pepys and his special diary written in code. We tried to write in code too!

We have learnt dances for our nativity and we had great fun in PE. We did fitness and jumped over hurdles and had to step in ladders then bunny hop over them. We had races and we got very excited! We have also enjoyed learning a special song for our nativity, you are in for a real treat!



Our School Attendance

Dolphin	Seahorse	Penguin	Lion	Koala	Leopard	Orang-utan
98.0%	97.6%	98.6%		99.3%	100.0%	97.3%

Our Learning

	What have we been learning this week?	What will we be learning next week?	Ask your child
Dolphin	Take a look in our learning journals!	Next week, we will learn the Nativity story and begin to think about why Christmas is a special time. In maths, we will be looking at shapes with four sides. We will also learn about St Andrews Day.	What is 1 more than 4? What is one less than 4? What number is missing from the sequence: 1, 2, , 4, 5
Seahorse	This week in phonics we have been learning the aw (prawn) and wh (wheel) digraphs. In English, we wrote our letters to Humphrey and he finally came back!!! We have written instructions and an advert about him. In Maths we have continued to work on money.	In Phonics we will be learning ph (elephant) and ew (drew) digraphs. In English we will be writing letters to Father Christmas. In Maths we will be finding totals of different prices.	What aw and wh words can you think of? Can you write them down?
Penguin	This week in English we have created non fiction pages all about the Great Fire of London. They were amazing and included lots of the features we learned. In Maths we have solved word problems using multiplication and have started to learn about division. We learned about Samuel Pepys in History.	Next week in English we will learn about newspapers and identify the key features. We will learn to write in the past tense and third person. In Maths we will continue to learn about division and also find remainders. We will also be practising for our Nativity!	What did you learn about Samuel Pepys?
Lion	We have had a very different week in Lion Class. I am so proud of all your beautiful work and thank you to the families for supporting your child with their learning. In English, we have been identifying and understanding features of a newspaper. In Maths, we have become experts at adding, subtracting, and converting money.	Next week, we will be writing our newspaper reports about a mystery that happened in our school. In maths, we will learning about pictograms and bar charts with a Christmas link. We will also complete some assessments over the next few weeks.	What are the different features of a newspaper report?
Koala	This week in English we have started reading our new book "Cloud Busting". We have looked at similes and tried to use them in our own poetry. We have also spent time this week completing our NFER tests and everyone has worked exceptionally hard.	Next week we will continue to read and write poetry, using Cloud Busting as our stimulus. In Maths we will be carrying on looking at multiplication—exploring factors and written methods.	How would you solve: 4 x 2 x 6 ? Would anyone in your house solve it differently?
Leopard	This week we have been consolidating our learning through our NFER tests. We have worked exceptionally hard and have managed to relax with some Yoga!	Next week, we will be learning about perimeter, focusing on rectilinear shapes and how to identify the missing sides. In writing we will be writing instructions on how to look after our Mermonkey!	Would a Malamander make a good pet? Explain your answer.
Orang-utan	This week, Year 6 have crafted and performed some fantastic Stream of Consciousness writing based around the outbreak of World War II. We have also demonstrated some amazing reading skills of sequencing and summarising, and practiced our complex fraction calculations in Maths.	At the start of next week, Year 6 will be undertaking their first NFER assessments of the year, to demonstrate and consolidate all their fantastic learning from the first two terms. These tests will take place in class between Monday and Wednesday.	What were the main reasons why World War II began?