



Key Dates Coming Up

- Friday 13th March** – Pandas Family Assembly
- Friday 13th March** – Raglan's Got Talent
- Wednesday 18th March** – Giraffes Visit to St Augustine's
- Thursday 19th March** – Rhinos and Year 1 Sharks Visit to St Augustine's
- Friday 20th March** – Easter Disco (FOR Ticketed Event)

Week beginning Monday 9th March 2026

Language of the Week

Irish	Hello	Good Morning	Good Afternoon
St Patrick's Day 17 th March	Dia dhuit	Dia dhuit ar maidin	Tráthnóna maith

<https://www.bitesize.irish/blog/irish-gaelic-greetings/>

The Makaton Sign of the Week – Sister Character Virtue of the Week - Confident



9th march Sister Compressed.mp4



Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to thank you all for your very kind feedback from the Parents Evening last week. Indeed your support of the school is excellent and as a staff team we very much appreciate this. Parents evenings are an integral part of the information we provide parents and carers about their children's progress. As a staff team we very much make it our mission to know all our children well; and work with you all to ensure your children reach their full potential and are extremely well-prepared to enter secondary school.

Our school has so many strengths but one in which I am particularly proud of is our thriving community. It is impossible to have this without your support and the partnership we have. Again, thank you on behalf of all the staff for the commitment you have for our school, and the partnership we have.

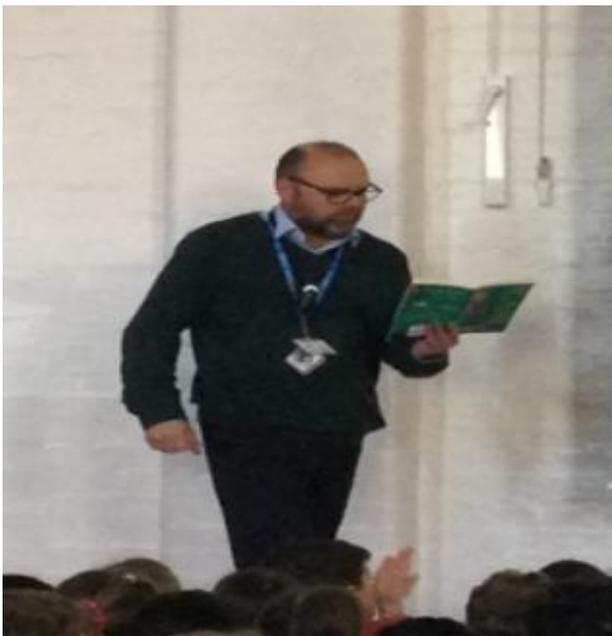


World Book Day: The Power of Story Writing and Story Telling

Yesterday the school's focus for World Book Day was celebrating story writing and story telling. It was all about the book, and reading for pleasure. In assembly I shared with the children and staff one of my all time favourite stories: George's Marvellous Medicine by Roald Dahl, with illustrations by Quentin Blake. I explained to the children that I first had this story to me by my late 'Nanna.' I told them how she made me laugh so much reading it and how animated she was when she was reading what happened to George's (the central character) grandmother when she took the potion. I read to the children the chapter: 'Grandma takes the medicine.'

I absolutely love reading this book and this chapter especially. I am sure the children could tell how much I liked explaining the effect George's medicine had on his Grandma!

I finished the assembly by reiterating my love for reading stories, and my love of reading. Yes it is true that reading opens up every child and person's life opportunities but it is also important to read for pleasure.



I would also like to add that the costumes that a huge number of children came to school in were phenomenal. The children came to school as all sorts of different characters which we celebrated also in assembly. Next year for World Book Day we will be having a focus on our favourite characters where we will encourage absolutely everyone to come dressed as their favourite book character.

Reading Breakfast Cafe

To coincide with World Book Day, this week we hosted our annual Reading Breakfast. Mrs Ingrey (our English Leader) organised an array of different reading genres for children and parents to enjoy. This was terrifically supported by the school community once again.

It was inspirational watching parents and children reading stories, fact finding and reciting poetry to each other!



Happy Holi - Thank you Mr and Mrs Singh

On Wednesday this week Mr and Mrs Singh returned to our school to celebrate Holi Festival. Holi is a Hindu festival that celebrates spring, love and colour. Holi marks the end of winter and the advent of spring. Holi typically falls in the latter part of February or March. Mr and Mrs Singh shared the ancient origins of Holi - it is an unbroken tradition going back 2500 years. They explained how this was recorded by the Italian Traveler Nicol De Conti in 1420 who wrote, "...three days, during which they sprinkle all passers-by, even the king and queen themselves, with saffron water. This is received by all with much laughter." Mr and Mrs Singh explained what happens over the three days to celebrate Holi.

Mr and Mrs Singh shared the story of Prahlad which is a story of good triumphing over evil and because Prahlad kept his faith he prevailed. They also explained how this is a similar story to that of Daniel in the Lion's Den; and that many religions have stories that are very similar where keeping faith ensures good prevailing over evil.

The celebration Holi assembly finished with a competition with five lucky winners receiving prizes from the Singhs.

I would like to say a massive thank you to Mr and Mrs Singh for coming in again and sharing their Holi experience with us. We all hope they will return to celebrate Diwali.

I would like to wish all our families celebrating Holi a wonderful time.



Music of the Week

The World Book Day Song - MC Grammar



What is your favourite genre of book?
What is your favourite book?
If you could travel inside a book, which one would you choose?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZpTkjssrL4k>

Dolphins Family Assembly - Worthy of the West End!

A massive well done to Dolphins class for their Family Assembly this morning. This was a rich presentation of knowledge learned and then presented to us all in a fun and uniquely Dolphin way! We had everything including English, Drama, History, Science, Art and then also Maths (Timestables!) Loved that! I particularly want to give Dolphins a huge shout-out for their final sing. This was 'West End' worthy! What a performance! A massive well done to all of Dolphins. [Congratulations](#) to Mrs Jacobs for putting it all together with the children.



Girls' Football – Bromley High School

On Thursday 12th February our girls played against Bromley High School. It was a tough match with the final score being 3-0 to Bromley High, the score doesn't reflect how competitive the match was!

The girls competed well, creating a few opportunities despite the pouring rain.

Mr Olarewaju



And Finally...

I left the children in assembly yesterday with the message I leave you all with every newsletter. READ, READ and READ more! Reading provides us with knowledge, and knowledge is a superpower! In addition to this reading for pleasure is one of life's great joys! This is life-long!

Thank you again for your continued support,

Mr De Freitas

Early Years Plea.

The Early Years team are looking to increase opportunities for children to explore and develop their physical development, gross motor skills. If you have any children's bicycles, tricycles, balance bikes that your child no longer uses and are suitable for 3-6 years olds would you please consider donating these to the Early years department?

We currently have enough scooters but we would be most grateful for the other items.

With many thanks The Early Years Team



Welcome to the Trust Equality, Diversity & Inclusion "EDI" Newsletter.

Please use the link below to access the Mosaic Schools Learning Trust Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Newsletter

<https://sway.cloud.microsoft/GMyz7GmihT4xb1ee?ref=email>



Eco Council Corner

Walking Bus at Raglan – still looking for volunteers!

We would love to re-introduce our **walking Bus** at Raglan and we need your help! We tried it last year from a meeting point on Chatterton Road but we would like to have more than one **walking bus** coming from different directions.

As yet we have not had any volunteers come forward for this – if you think you could help please get in touch!

Walking buses are great for promoting exercise, reducing traffic congestion and pollution around schools and teaches road safety. If you would like to get involved please email eprescott@raglan.sch.uk.



NEWS FROM FOR

Pre-loved Summer Uniform Sale

We will be holding a pre-loved summer uniform sale (dresses, shorts and polo tops only) on Friday 13th March. This will be in the KS2 playground in the morning before school.

Easter Disco Tickets

The Easter Disco is on Friday 20th March. Full details are in the flyer which has been sent out in a school email. Tickets are on sale until midday on Wednesday 18th March and can be purchased at

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofraglan/>

We need volunteers to help during both discos. If you can help with setup (from 2:10pm onwards) during the discos or with clean up, please email for.ptabromley@gmail.com

Upcoming Events for your diary

Please look out for emails from the school for details of events and how to purchase tickets

Easter Disco: Friday 20th March 2026 (ticketed event)

Contact FOR: for.ptabromley@gmail.com

FOR Events Ticket Sales: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofraglan/>

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RAGLAN'S
**Easter
Disco!**



Friday 20th March

**Easter Bonnet competition
Special guest & Prizes to win**



**KS1 3:20 - 4:20pm (£6)
KS2 4:45 - 5:45pm (£5)**



KS1 ticket price includes drink and snack
KS2 children should bring max £5 to
spend on snacks, drinks and goodies



Book Here





Information to note:

Online booking will close at midday (12pm) Wednesday 18th March. This is to allow for finalisation of numbers to ensure food, drinks and other activities being provided are catered for, including dietary requirements.

KS1 ticket price includes a snack and drink

KS2 children can bring up to £5 to buy snacks, drinks and treats

Easter Bonnet Competition:

Bring along your homemade Easter hat to wear at the disco and be in the competition for Best Easter Bonnet.

For the KS1 disco:

Reception children should come to school in their disco outfit. Years 1 & 2 should bring their outfits to school and will get changed after school before going to the disco.

Class teachers will dismiss children from the KS1 playground at 4:20pm

For the KS2 disco:

Any child who is usually in afterschool club should bring their outfit in a bag to get changed into. After school staff will take children into the assembly hall for the disco.

Otherwise children should be dropped off in KS1 playground to enter the disco via the link corridor to sign in.

Class teachers will dismiss the children from KS2 playground at 5:45pm

Ear defenders:

There will be a DJ playing music, so please provide ear defenders if your child requires them.

Volunteers:

If you can help with setup (from 2:10pm onwards) during the discos or with clean up, please email For.ptabromley@gmail.com or contact Beanie on 07990534361



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Upcoming Dates

26th February 2026
5th | 12th | 19th | 26th March 2026



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Attendance and Punctuality Information

As you know we expect your children to be in school every day and arrive on time. Being in school every day and on time means that children will be accessing the full curriculum; and in the routine from the beginning of the school day. We appreciate and understand that children will be off school when they are ill. To be clear, if a child vomits, has diarrhoea, or both they should be away from school for 48 hours after the last episode. If a child is running a temperature they should also be kept off because this is often the infectious time for colds, flus and infections. We expect parents and carers to inform the school immediately and by 9am if your child is off ill. You should call in or email the admin team.

We also appreciate and understand that on occasion traffic can cause lateness. That said, we do expect children to be in school on time, daily.

If a child's attendance is 90% or below we have a legal obligation and government statutory expectation to act on this. The government refer to attendance at or below 90% as 'Persistence Absence.'

The following is the process that we will be undertaking when your child's attendance is at 90% or below:

Step 1 – general letter as a reminder that your attendance is below the expected 90%.

Step 2 – if it stays this way for the next half term, we will invite you for a meeting with Mrs Collins and Mrs Powell.

Step 3 – for sustained persistent absence over another half term, you will be required to meet with Mrs Collins and I.

Step 4 – if persistent absence continues for a further half term, we are required to make a referral to the Education Welfare Service, who will then contact you and the school, to establish next steps. This may be a formal action plan constructed by the Education Welfare Service. This may include an 'Early Help' referral with the Local Authority.

Step 5 – should persistent absence continue after this; the school is legally required to make a social care referral.

For children that have chronic and ongoing medical needs, we will clearly be taking this into consideration. Parents and carers must provide the medical professional documentation supporting the medical ailment so that we can inform Education Welfare that this is the reason for the absence(s). We are not permitted to accept parental diagnosis or medical justification for absence.

Leave from School Requests

I will not be authorising the maximum number of 5 days for any exceptional circumstances for a leave of absence, unless attendance is consistently above 97%. Even then this is not automatically granted, and I always look at every individual case on its own merit. As you know, I do appreciate many of you have family abroad, cultural and faith celebrations, as well as specific family circumstances. If parents request or take children out for leave during term time and are below 90% attendance (which is persistent absence), I will consider applying the penalty fine.

Penalty notices

Under section 444 of the Education Act 1996, it outlines the legal responsibilities on parents to ensure their children attend school on a regular basis. Failure to do so is a legal offence and either a penalty notice may be issued or prosecution in the Magistrates Court. Parents/carers may be issued with a penalty notice in relation to their child's unauthorised absence at school. It is the decision of the schools as to whether absences are authorised, though they are expected to follow Department for Education (DfE) guidance. Fines are issued per parent, per child. Each fine is £80 if paid within the first 21 days, with a further 7 days to pay the fine at £120. Failing to pay the penalty notice may result in the matter being taken to the Magistrates Court for the original offence of failing to secure your child's regular attendance at school. Parents/carers should be aware there is **no right of appeal** for a penalty notice that has been issued. If you believe the fine was issued in error, please contact the school to discuss your concern regarding the authorisation of the absence.

Parents and Carers need to be aware that if your child is absence from school for ten or more days in a row (without explanation) they are legally considered 'missing in education.' This will result in the school making a social care referral and contacting the appropriate agencies.