



## Newsletter – 11<sup>th</sup> September 2026

### TEAM OF THE WEEK:

This week's Team of the Week are:



**P16:** Alex, P16 KJ, Sam

**KS4:** Evan, Austin, Axe Class, Jasmine

**KS3:** Zelda, Cory, Mia, Tommy, Sophie

**Primary:** Blake, Danny, Harlow, Kingfisher Class, Bella, James

**Outdoor Education:** Aston

**WELL DONE!**

### DATES FOR THE DIARY:



**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Sept-** Frome FE

And workplace visits start

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept-** P16 college

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October-** Primary Swimming Starts (Owl, Robin, Bluebird and Hawk)

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October-** P16 PE Scotch Horn Starts

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October-** DofE Camps

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October-** End of Term 1

### WELCOME BACK

As we reach the end of our first week back, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our pupils, families and staff for such a positive start to the new academic year at Ravenswood School.

It has been wonderful to see the school full of energy, enthusiasm and smiling faces once again. Our pupils have returned ready to learn, reconnect with friends and embrace the opportunities that lie ahead. I have been particularly impressed by the resilience, kindness and positive attitudes shown across the school.

For those pupils and families who are new to Ravenswood, a very special welcome. We hope that you have felt supported during your first week and are already beginning to experience the caring and inclusive ethos that makes our school community so special.

Throughout the week, staff have focused on helping pupils settle into their routines, rebuild relationships and establish high expectations for learning and behaviour. Classrooms have been busy, pupils have engaged enthusiastically in their learning, and there has been sense of purpose around the school.

At Ravenswood, we remain committed to ensuring every pupil feels safe, valued and empowered to achieve their very best. We look forward to working closely with families throughout the year as we continue to support our pupils in reaching their full potential both academically and personally.

Thank you for your continued support. I am excited about the year ahead and the many opportunities it will bring for our pupils and wider school community.

Take care

Mark Senior  
Headteacher  
Ravenswood School

*"Together, we will continue to Dream, Achieve, Believe"*





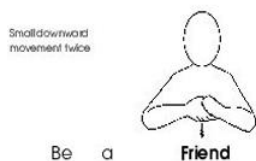
## SIGNS OF THE WEEK:

### TIME TO TALK

### TERM 1 - WEEK 1 -

### HELLO/MAKING FRIENDS

#### Friend



#### Kind



#### Hello



## SCHOOL AGED IMMUNISATIONS

The Flu Immunisation Clinic in School Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2026.

The Nasal Flu Immunisation is being offered to all students from Reception up to age 18 in Special Schools. Consent for this will be via e-consent, please see the attached letter for more details.

The Team will be able to offer the injectable (gelatine free) vaccine in special schools this season, the majority of students will receive the nasal flu vaccine, however parents of students who cannot receive this are able to consent to instead receive the injectable flu vaccine.

Please contact the School Aged Immunisations Team on 0300 124 5515 for queries about the Immunisation or trouble completing the consent, or Liz Mullane in Healthcare on 01275854134 for anything else.

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS

A reminder to all families that you have to reapply for your FSM status for 2026-27. If you do not currently receive Free School Meals, please do check as the criteria has widened and it may give you child additional support in school as well as a free dinner.

Please reapply online at [Free School Meals Checker - Check Eligibility Online | LGfL FSM](#) if you have not yet reapplied or checked.



## THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who brought in unwanted clothes and textiles for our Bag2School collection. Thanks to your generosity, we raised £29 for the school. Your continued support is greatly appreciated and makes a real difference.





## PRIMARY WELCOME BACK

We have had a fantastic start to the new term in Primary and would like to extend a very warm welcome to all our new pupils, families, and staff members. It has been wonderful to see everyone settling into school so quickly and embracing the exciting opportunities that a new academic year brings.

The children have returned full of enthusiasm, positivity, and a real eagerness to learn. Classrooms have been busy with smiling faces, engaging learning activities, and children who are keen to do their very best. Staff have been incredibly impressed with how quickly pupils have adapted to new routines, expectations, and learning environments.

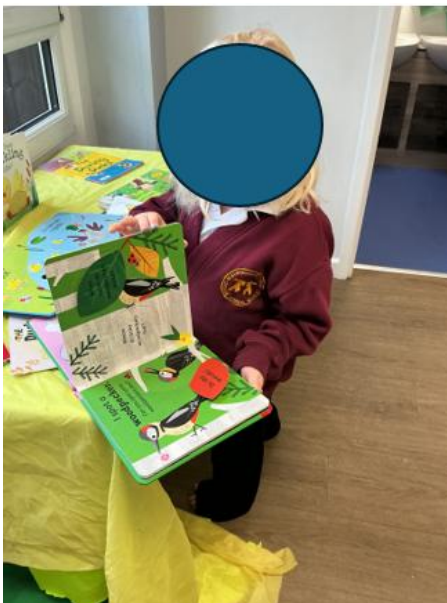
We are excited about the year ahead and look forward to sharing many wonderful learning experiences, achievements, celebrations, and memorable moments with you throughout the coming months.

Here's to a happy, successful, and exciting year ahead! Becky Rubidge, Head of Primary

## DUCK CLASS NEWS

The Ducks have had a lovely start to the new school year and are beginning to settle into their classroom routines. It has been wonderful to see them exploring their new environment, getting to know their adults and enjoying lots of opportunities to learn through play.

Water play has been a particular favourite! The Ducks have enjoyed splashing, pouring, filling and exploring with the water, providing lots of opportunities for sensory exploration and communication. We have also been having lots of fun singing 'Five Little Ducks' together. The children have enjoyed listening, joining in with familiar actions and sounds, and watching the ducks disappear and return! It has been a lovely way to encourage attention, anticipation and communication while having lots of fun together. We are really proud of how the Ducks are beginning to settle and look forward to seeing all the wonderful learning and exploring that will take place over the coming weeks.





## SECONDARY WELCOME BACK

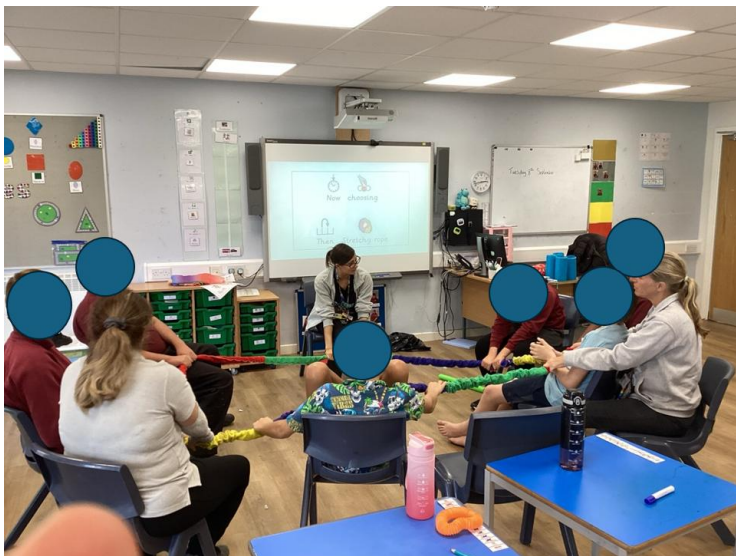
We have had a brilliant start to the term in Secondary, and would like to offer a warm welcome to our new staff and students. It has been wonderful to see everyone settling so well into the routines of school.

Students have returned happy, positive and ready to learn, making the most of both their learning opportunities and the wider school environment. It has also been lovely to see students interacting safely, positively and respectfully with one another during playtimes and around the school site.

All of the staff are delighted with the positive start to the year and look forward to all that the year ahead will bring! Meghan Short, Head of Secondary

## WILLOW CLASS NEWS

What a wonderful first week Willow Class have had! This week Willow showed excellent team work in science pulling a stretchy elastic rope when exploring the force 'pull'. In Independence we sequenced instructions for how to make a cup of squash and then had a go at making one! In Maths we have started to look at shapes; to extend our learning on shapes in maths challenge we used magnetic tiles to create simple shapes. In art we are learning about William Morris and in this week's lesson we used sketching pencils to either, draw around a leaf, draw a leaf or mark make around a leaf that we found outside. Well Done Willow Class!



## P16 WELCOME BACK

Post-16 students have made a fantastic start to the new academic year, settling into their routines with great focus and enthusiasm during their very first week back. It has been wonderful to see their positive energy around school as they embrace new academic challenges and reconnect with their peers. Pupils have set a great example of what being in Post16 represents, showcasing the school values: Safe, Ready and Respectful. Well done Post-16! Rhi Marsh, Head of P16.



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# PFA MEETING

**Monday 21st September 2026  
at 5 PM**

Come along to the PFA meeting at Ravenswood School or join online to help us plan out the great events and fundraisers that help make the school community what it is today.

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