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Newsletter – 23rd October 2026

TEAM OF THE WEEK:



This week's Team of the Week are:

P16: Keira, Elijah and Cody

KS4: Charlie, Max, Olly C, Riley and Elm Class

KS3: Zelda, Amber, Danny, Gina and Hannah

Primary: Odhran, Benji, Teddy, Eli and Hawk Class

Outdoor Ed: All secondary classes

WELL DONE!

DATES FOR THE DIARY:



Friday 23rd October- End of Term 1
Monday 2nd November- Inset Day (No pupils in School)
Tuesday 3rd November- Term 2 Starts
Friday 13th November- DAB Day
Monday 16th November- School Photos
Wednesday 25th November- Non-Uniform Day for a Tombola prize
Saturday 28th November- PFA Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 15th December- P16 & Secondary Christmas Show (PM)
Wednesday 16th December- P16 & Secondary Christmas Show (PM)
Friday 18th December- End of Term 2

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

As we reach the end of our first term, I would like to take a moment to thank you for your continued support, encouragement and partnership. The start of a new academic year is always a busy period, and it has been wonderful to see our pupils settle back into school routines, embrace new challenges and continue to develop their confidence, independence and learning.

This term has been filled with many successes, both big and small. Across the school, pupils have worked incredibly hard to achieve their individual goals, build friendships and engage in the wide range of opportunities available to them. We are immensely proud of every child and young person and the progress they make each day.

I would also like to thank our dedicated staff team, who work tirelessly to ensure that every pupil is safe, happy and preparing for their next steps. Their commitment, care and expertise make Ravenswood a very special place to learn and grow.

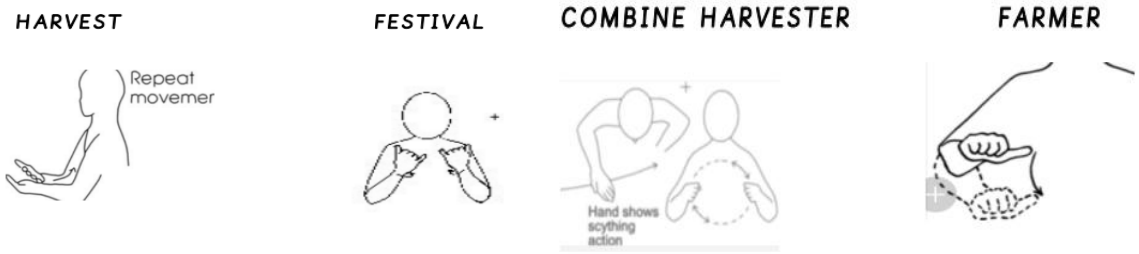
We know that education works best when schools and families work together. Your support with communication, attendance, routines and celebrating achievements at home makes a real difference to our pupils' success. Thank you for everything you do.

As we move into the holiday period, I hope that all our families are able to enjoy some well-earned rest and quality time together. We look forward to welcoming everyone back next term and continuing our journey together. On behalf of everyone at Ravenswood School, thank you for being part of our school community.Have a wonderful break and take care. Thanks Mark

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SIGNS OF THE WEEK: HARVEST FESTIVAL



DUCK CLASS NEWS

Duck Class have worked incredibly hard this term to become familiar with school routines and build trusting relationships with the adults and friends around them. We have discovered that music is a firm favourite, with Five Little Ducks proving especially popular! Alongside the fun, this much-loved song has also supported our early counting skills.

We have focused on developing our ability to sit together as a class, and this will continue to be an area we explore and consolidate in Term 2. All the adults in Duck Class are incredibly proud of the progress the children have made. Some special highlights include learning to hold hands to travel safely around the school site and seeing each pupil grow in confidence when using their preferred communication methods to express themselves, make choices and access learning throughout the day.

We are so proud of our Duck Class children and look forward to building on these wonderful foundations next term!







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P16 STUDENTS SPEAK AT REGIONAL EMPLOYER'S CONFERENCE

On Thursday some of our Post 16 students: Aiden, Maisie and Tom attended an Employers' conference at Aztec West Hotel in Bradley Stoke. Here they joined a student panel made up of students from other schools/ universities to share their experiences of work experience and how employers can be more inclusive and inviting to the students working with them. All three of our students did incredibly well speaking to a room full of about 200 employers!

They all spoke clearly, fluently and were able to express themselves well to answer a range of questions that were asked to them as part of the panel discussion. They took turns, passing the microphone and responding when asked.

Following this formal panel discussion they also took part in a student voice panel meeting answering more unprepared questions about how employers could improve access to work for young people. This feedback will also be used by the West of England Combined Authority (WECA) to help work with employers to improve their work experience opportunities across the region.

They were a true credit to the school and all of the employers and WECA staff were extremely interested in what they had to say. Employer feedback was that this was the best part of the conference. Well done.





NUT AWARE SCHOOL

We would like to remind all parents and carers that we are a nut-aware school. This includes ALL nuts or peanuts, as some children have a severe allergy and
even small traces can be dangerous.

Please do not send any foods containing nuts or peanuts in lunchboxes or snacks, this includes foods such as nut-based spreads.

Please also ensure that all lunchboxes are clearly labelled with your child's name to reduce the risk of a pupil accidentally accessing the wrong foods.

SECONDARY LUNCHTIME CLUBS

Following half term, we will be running daily lunchtime clubs for all of our Secondary pupils. If they would like to take part in these clubs then they can sign up each morning, with support from an adult, on the board outside of the lunch hall. Please check with your pupil if they would like to join a club and make staff aware so we can sign them up each week.

The clubs will be as follows:

Monday - Lego club
Tuesday - Computing
Wednesday - Choir (no new intake)
Thursday - Sports club in the MUGA
Friday - Recycling club

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KEEPING SAFE ONLINE

There are lots of things you can do to keep yourself safe online.

• **Think before you post.** Don't upload or share anything you wouldn't want your parents, carers, teachers or future employers seeing. Once you post something, you lose control of it, especially if someone else screenshots or shares it.

• **Don't share personal details.** Keep things like your address, phone number, full name, school and date of birth private, and check what people can see in your privacy settings. Remember that people can use small clues like a school logo in a photo to find out a lot about you.

• **Watch out for phishing and scams.** Phishing is when someone tries to trick you into giving them information, like your password. Someone might also try to trick you by saying they can make you famous or that they're from a talent agency. Never click links from emails or messages that ask you to log in or share your details, even if you think they might be genuine. Instead, if you're asked to log into a website, go to the app or site directly.

• **Think about who you're talking to.** There are lots of ways that people might try to trick you into trusting them online. Even if you like and trust someone you've met online, never share personal information with them like your address, full name, or where you go to school.

• **Keep your device secure.** Make sure that you're keeping your information and device secure; run updates when they are offered.

• **Never give out your password.** You should never give out your password or log-in information. Make sure you pick strong, easy to remember passwords.

• **Cover your webcam.** Some viruses will let someone access your webcam without you knowing, so make sure you cover your webcam whenever you're not using it.

Do not share any pictures within anyone online that you wouldn't want your Mum, Dad or teachers to see.


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Christmas Fayre
Saturday 28th November 2026
10am-1pm
Are you interested in renting a stall at our Christmas Fayre or know someone who might?
Or
Would you like to donate a prize to the raffle?
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