



Rye Park Nursery School



"Nurturing every child to fulfil their potential"

March Newsletter 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have quickly come to the end of the Spring term and what a wonderful last few weeks we have had, as the weather has brightened and new life been explored with the arrival of the ducklings. Adults and children alike have been amazed at just how quickly they have grown, the children have embraced the opportunity to gently handle and care for them and were truly excited to watch as they took to water. Five of the ducklings are now returning to the farm but 4 have been rehomed and we hope to have photos of them as they settle in and grow. I know the children will miss them but we are excited to announce that two new pets will be joining us after Easter. Along with Dougie our school dog, two tiny guinea pigs will be joining the team.

Risky play is on the agenda for our school development this year and already the children have put to good use the new digging tools and wheelbarrows purchased. In the Wagtail garden the centre area has been cleared of weeds and soil added (all by the children with some help from the staff). The children are always eager to get involved when there are real tools and jobs to do. After Easter we plan to create the pond space and plant in the area.

The children in Wagtails and Wrens have been busy with their woodworking tools and materials and with a little adult support have created some amazing bespoke planters. These will be planted by the children again after Easter and will brighten up our front path. If you have any plants or would like to donate we would happily receive them. Please just check that they are suitable for children and pets.

Along with the new tools and woodwork, large physical risk taking and outdoor challenge is an area we are keen to enhance even further. We often observe the children creating their own challenges, testing their limits, and showing such joy in their achievements. Large loose parts offer an endless wealth of opportunity, as do our outdoor learning environments.

The children and staff have come up with their next woodwork project and planning has begun for ramp building. If you would like to get involved please let us know.

Finally I wish you all a wonderful break, hopefully with lots of sunshine and look forward to seeing you refreshed and ready for the summer term!

Debbie Penwill Head teacher

Friends of Rye Park Nursery School (FORPNS)

A huge thank you to FORPNS whose fundraising efforts have allowed for us to have two sets of living eggs this year. Such an amazing opportunity for all of our children.



Our next event

FORPNS Raisin Box Challenge

will take place after the break. Packs will be shared with you in the first week of the summer term. Good luck

Our FORPNS Summer Funday

Saturday 6th June (save the date) fun for all the family.

Easter Break Challenge

We are sending a fun challenge home today on Tapestry. This involves going out and about, exploring, spotting signs of spring and colour hunting.

Here are a few challenges that you could enjoy in the Easter Holidays



We would love you to take a photo when you complete each challenge and add it to Tapestry so your keyworker will enjoy sharing these after the holidays.

Share your discoveries on Tapestry for your keyworker to see.

Happy hunting.

A colour hunt challenge that you could enjoy in the Easter Holidays



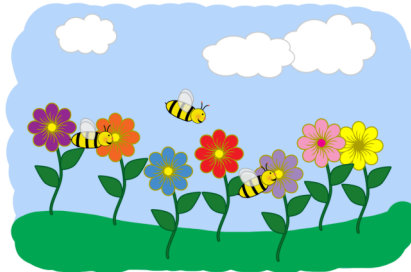
Take a look at our amazing bespoke planters made by the children of Wrens and Wagtails



Gallery on our Website

Take a peek at our gallery on the website of the many wonderful learning opportunities taken place over the Autumn and Spring term.

[Gallery | Rye Park Nursery School](#)



Important Health and Safety message

As the weather warms up, please ensure that your child comes to school wearing footwear that is suitable for a fun packed and energetic day. **Crocs, sliders and open toed sandals** are NOT safe and secure for children when running, climbing and riding.



Lots of Socks

Thank you for your donations
Together we raised £70



Reminder

Children return for the Summer term
on Tuesday 14th April

Monday 13th April is an Inset Day and the school is closed

Calendar and Events for your Diary

EASTER HOLIDAYS - Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April

SUMMER TERM BEGINS - Tuesday 14th April

Inset day school closed - Monday 13th April

FORPNS Raisin Box challenge begins - Wednesday 15th April

FORPNS meeting - Friday 17th April 1.30pm (all welcome)

Wren and Wagtail group photos - Tuesday 21st April

Road safety visit - Wednesday 22nd April

FORPNS Raisin Box challenge winners announced - 28th April

Occasional Day school closed - Friday 1st May

Bank holiday school closed - Monday 4th May

Inset day school closed - Thursday 7th May

Half-term - Mon 25th - Fri 29th May

FORPNS funday - Saturday 6th June

Summer term ends Wednesday 22nd July - Times to be confirmed

