



Summer Term – Week 12

SCHOOL IS STILL ON UNTIL TUESDAY

Attendance winners

Congratulations to Team 2 who had the highest attendance of 99% this week!

A huge congratulation to Team 2 who are our overall attendance superstars this year at 96.5%!

A NOTE FROM MISS DENYER...

This is my final newsletter of the year and I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of our families for your support. This year we have seen our SATs results improve again, a true testament to the hard work of our staff and pupils. The number of children achieving age related expectations in reading, writing and maths has increased by 20% since I joined Roach Vale and we are not stopping there. Next year we will continue the work on raising standards in everything we do.

I'd like to wish our Year 6 pupils the very best for their next step into secondary school and congratulate them on their hard work this year. It's been a pleasure to be a part of their journey.

All that is left to do is to wish you all a restful summer break. We look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday 2nd September 2025.

Miss Denyer

House Winner 2025

It was a close run race but the winners of the 2025 Roach Vale House Competition are Kingfishers (blue)! Children in our blue house are invited to enjoy a pastry and film breakfast session with Miss Denyer and Mrs Canning on Tuesday morning after registers.

Parakeets (green) took 2nd place, with Canaries (yellow) taking 3rd and Robins (red) coming in 4th.



GOVERNMENT FOOD VOUCHERS

The £50 one-off food vouchers should be issued today to the families of the children that meet the eligible criteria. However, the external system that issues these vouchers has had an issue and has frozen access to schools for the time being. Hopefully, the vouchers have been issued as expected but we are unable to confirm.



PUPDATE



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Hello friends!

Congratulations to everyone on a fantastic year! This is the last pupdate from me so I wanted to wish everyone a lovely summer. I'll do my usual sulking for a week whilst I get used to not having all my friends around and then I plan to play and frolick in the garden a lot! Thank you for all taking such good care of me this year. See you all in September!



WRAPAROUND CARE

CMXSC are continuing to provide fantastic breakfast and afterschool clubs for our pupils next year. They have so many fun activities happening so check them out and get booked in here <https://www.cmxsc.co.uk/wraparoundcare/roachvaleprimaryschool>. Don't forget, childcare vouchers are accepted.



	Time	Food included?	Cost
Breakfast club	7.30-8.45am	Yes	£6
	8.00-8.45am	No	£4
Afterschool club	3.15 – 4.15pm	No	£5
	3.15-5.00pm	No	£8
	3.15-6.00pm	Yes	£13.50

Are you entitled to funding for wraparound care?

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/> - this website will let you check your eligibility for grants and childcare vouchers.

<https://www.gov.uk/childcare-grant/what-youll-get> - if you are a student, you may be eligible for the Childcare Grant Service.

If you are currently being supported by the Job Centre to find employment, they will be able to guide you towards support available for you to use for childcare.

If you need any support with finding out what you are entitled to, please don't hesitate to contact CMXSC:

admin@cmxsc.co.uk 01245 820550

SUMMER READING CHALLENGES 2025

The Essex Library summer reading challenge is running again this year and we encourage everyone to try and take part. It's a great way to discover new books, a trip to the library is totally free and it'll keep your reading skills up over the summer break.

Essex County Council Libraries



Arriving in your local library this summer!

The challenge where children across Essex explore the magical connection between storytelling and nature! Read six books or do a range of other challenges to receive a certificate and medal!

Saturday 19 July to
Saturday 6 September 2025

Find out more about how to take part in this free activity:
libraries.essex.gov.uk/news/summer-reading-challenge



THE READING AGENCY Summer Reading Challenge

National Read-Aloud Challenge 2025
Powered by Fonetti

Roach Vale Primary School

Register your child for FREE at:

<https://readaloudchallenge.co.uk/join/EM0T-WGXY-BISL>



- ★ **FREE** for children from July 1st - August 31st
- ★ Safe and easy for every child to use **without supervision**
- ★ Encourages a child's love for reading and helps **maintain and improve** reading skills
- ★ Uses games, competition, leaderboards and prizes as a proven method to further **engage children in a fun and competitive way**
- ★ Encourages **independent** reading, fires up their imagination and **improves** their **reading skills**
- ★ Winning schools get 4 places to a fully-funded day trip to London to the awards event hosted by **Clare Balding CBE** at Amazon HQ.

readaloudchallenge.co.uk
#BeProudReadAloud

"Reading is fuel for our imaginations and reading aloud is all about confidence... So let's get reading!"

Clare Balding CBE, National Read-Aloud Challenge & Fonetti Brand Ambassador



#BeProudReadAloud

We have signed up to Fonetti, a free app that allows you to read free books aloud. More information will be sent out shortly but we'd love you to sign up and take part in the read aloud challenge.

Meet Fonetti



Children choose from a library of engaging books and simply read them aloud. Progress and stars achieved are shown to inform and encourage.



When read correctly, the words turn green. If skipped or misread, they turn grey. For children, an audible clue can be accessed by simply double-tapping the word.



Children can effortlessly monitor their progress on a daily, weekly, monthly or overall basis! Parents and carers are kept informed with weekly progress updates.

Introducing the **award-winning** Read-Aloud App for children, the perfect tool to improve literacy, fluency and language skills.

Fonetti is proven to **boost oracy, fluency, reading and English language skills.**

74%
of students notice an improved reading level in just 3 weeks!

16%
Average accuracy improvement

25
Additional correct words per minute

Measured from a dataset of over 200,000 reading sessions on Fonetti in 2023.

LUNCH MENU

Week 2	Monday
Option One	Pizza Whirl (v)
Option Two	Jacket Potato with Beans
On the Side	Carrot and Sultana Salad (ve) New Potato Salad (v) Sweetcorn (ve)
For Dessert	Homemade Cookie (v)



Lunch menu

Tuesday 22 July

Option 1 Sausage Roll (Gluten, Milk)

Option 2 Sausage (Gluten)

Option 3 Omelette (Egg)

Crispy Cubes (Gluten)

Beans

Sweetcorn

Cake (Gluten, Eggs), Cookie (Gluten), Ice lolly,
Yogurt (Milk) or Fruit

HOMEWORK PROJECTS

Once again, our pupils (and supporting families) have blown us away with their homework projects based on art in nature. From collage to sketching and painting to photography, we have been wowed by the artistic skills of our students. Elizabeth in Year 5 even made a pin hole camera and turned her bathroom into a dark room for her project!





DIARY DATES

SUMMER	
21 Jul	STEM day for Y5 and Y6
22 Jul	Last day of term

IMPORTANT DATES FOR NEXT TERM

We are still planning lots of wonderful things for next year, but we have some key dates for your diary already.

AUTUMN	
1 Sep	Non pupil day
2 Sep	First day back for pupils
7 – 10 Sep	Y6 Residential
26 Sep	School council elections
6-17 Oct	One Plan meetings
9 Oct	Individual photos EYFS open day for prospective parents 1.30pm & 5pm
15 Oct	Flu vaccinations
20 Oct	Open classrooms after school for looking at pupil books
21 and 23 Oct	Parents' evenings
24 Oct	Music day
27 OCT – 2 NOV HALF TERM	
3 & 4 Nov	Y5 bikeability
5 Nov	Bonfire Night Themed Lunch
10-14 Nov	Antibullying week
24 Nov	Non-pupil day
25 Nov	EYFS open day for prospective parents 1.30pm & 5pm
3 Dec	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Performance 10am

4 Dec	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Performance 2pm
w/c 8 Dec	KS2 Christmas event to be confirmed
17 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Lunch
22 DEC – 4 JAN CHRISTMAS BREAK	

SPRING	
5 Jan	Non pupil day
2-13 Feb	One plan meetings
13 Feb	Internet safety day
16-22 FEB HALF TERM	
24 & 25 Feb	Mothers' Day Sales
5 Mar	World Book day
9-13 Mar	Science week
23-26 Mar	Scholastic Book Fair
23 Mar	Open classrooms after school for looking at pupil books
24 & 26 Mar	Parents' evenings
27 Mar	Non pupil day
30 MAR – 12 APR EASTER BREAK	

SUMMER	
23 & 24 Apr	Tennis workshops
29 Apr	Sports day 1-3pm Sports festival after school
4 May	Bank holiday
5-15 May	One plan meetings
6 May	Back up sports day 1-3pm (in the event of bad weather)
11 -14 May	Y6 SATs
22 May	International Day
25-31 MAY HALF TERM	
1-12 Jun	Y4 Multiplication Times Table Check
5 Jun	Maths Madness Day
8-12 Jun	Y1 Phonics Screening Check
8 & 9 Jun	Fathers' Day Gift Sales
15-19 Jun	Careers and Aspirations week

17 Jun	Class Photos
22 -26 Jun	Y6 Transition Week
6-17 Jul	Y2 & Y3 Swimming every day on site – pop up pool coming!
7 Jul	Meet the Teacher Day Reports go home
9 Jul	Y6 Oscars Night 5-6pm
15 Jul	Y6 Leaver's Production
17 Jul	Last day of term for pupils
20 Jul	Non-pupil Day

COMMUNITY NEWS



“The Chayse West Fest”
 Sunday 24th August From 12 pm
Venue: Spring Lane, The Chase, Spring Lane, Colchester, CO3 4AZ
Supported by Stanway Rovers FC

£5 Entry - Under 14's Free
Charity Football Event & Family Day
 5-a-side Tournament £20 per Player
 Limited parking available at the venue

Raffle **Music** **Food**
Bouncy Castles **and much more.....**

**In aid of “The Chayse West Legacy”-
 helping bereaved families like us**
#rememberchaysewest
 All enquiries call 07929445693 or email thechaysewestlegacy@gmail.com
 Registered Charity Number: 1207928



Good Beginnings Course

A course for parents and carers of autistic children, or those with social communication needs, in reception and younger.

The course covers:

- understanding autism
- communication
- play
- sensory processing
- supporting distress and emotional regulation
- eating, sleeping and toileting
- managing anxiety

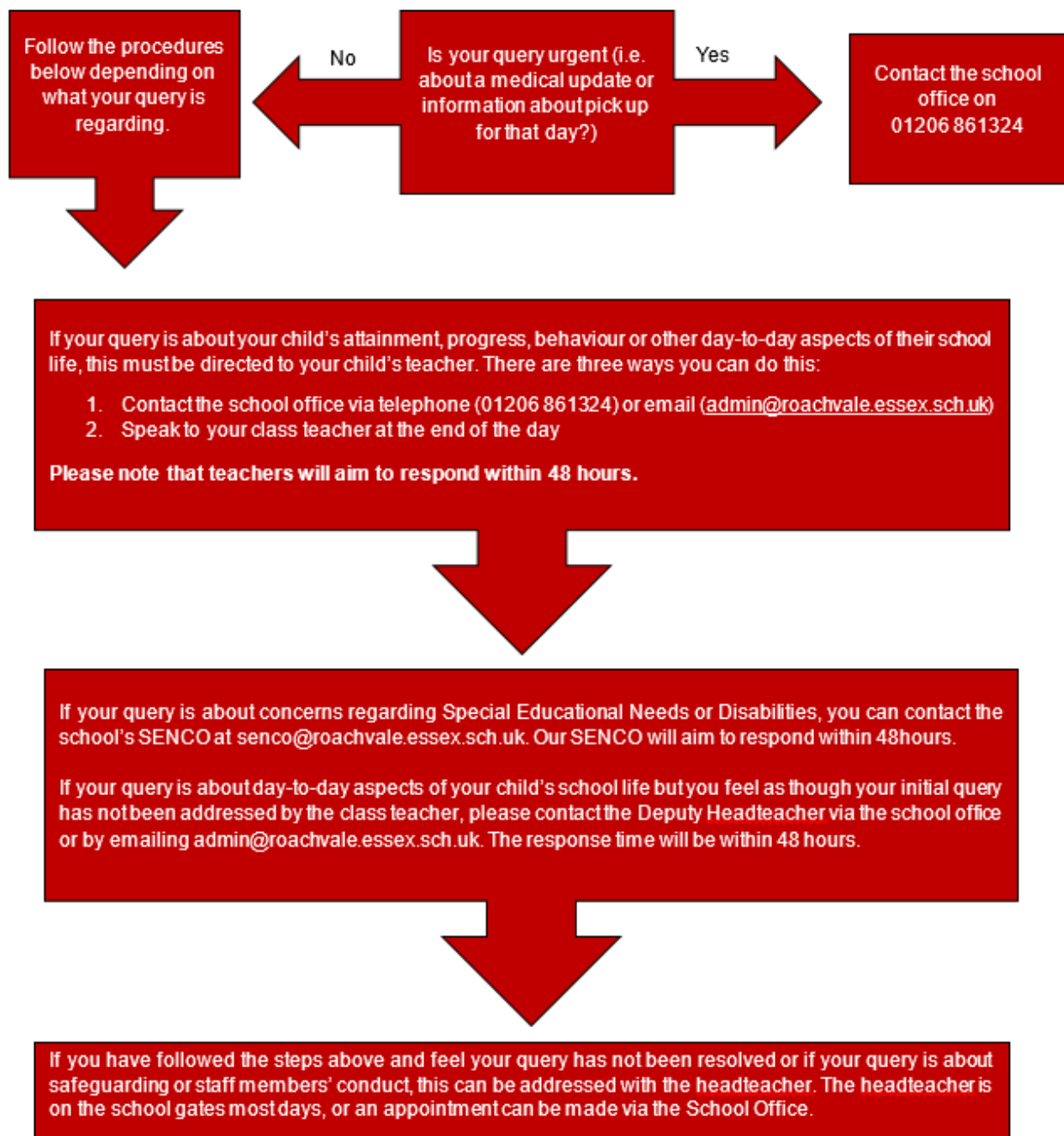
This course is an opportunity for parents and carers to come together to share experiences and tips in a supportive environment.



Scan the QR code to book
a place



Communication Tree



The Complaints Procedure can be found on the Roach Vale Primary School website.