Ronald Ross Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It was wonderful to see the playground so vibrant today for our 'Autumn Dress Up Day'! We were delighted by the sheer range of creative interpretations across the school. The children looked fantastic, showcasing everything from rich seasonal palettes of orange, blue and brown to enchanting princess dresses and courageous superhero costumes. Thank you to all the parents and carers for helping the children participate with such enthusiasm—it made for a very cheerful start to the end of the week.

Meanwhile, Year 5 had a truly exhilarating outdoor learning trip to the **Cudham Environmental Activities Centre**. The pupils threw themselves into every challenge, taking part in hands-on bushcraft skills, building sturdy dens and learning how to safely make fires. Beyond the outdoor skills, it was an outstanding opportunity for team building; the children worked together brilliantly, supporting one another and demonstrating brilliant problem-solving skills throughout the day.

We want to send our very best wishes to all of our pupils taking part in the **cross-country run** tomorrow morning! Run well, enjoy yourselves and do the school proud. A huge thank you to Ms Jones and Helen Lothian for giving up their time to supervise and support the team.

Lastly, please remember we dismiss at 3:30pm on Wednesday 21st October for the half term break. School will be closed on Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd October for Inset Days.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Monday 2nd November**.

Mrs Brady and Ms Bains

Gentle reminder: School will be closed on 22nd and 23rd October due to Inset Days.

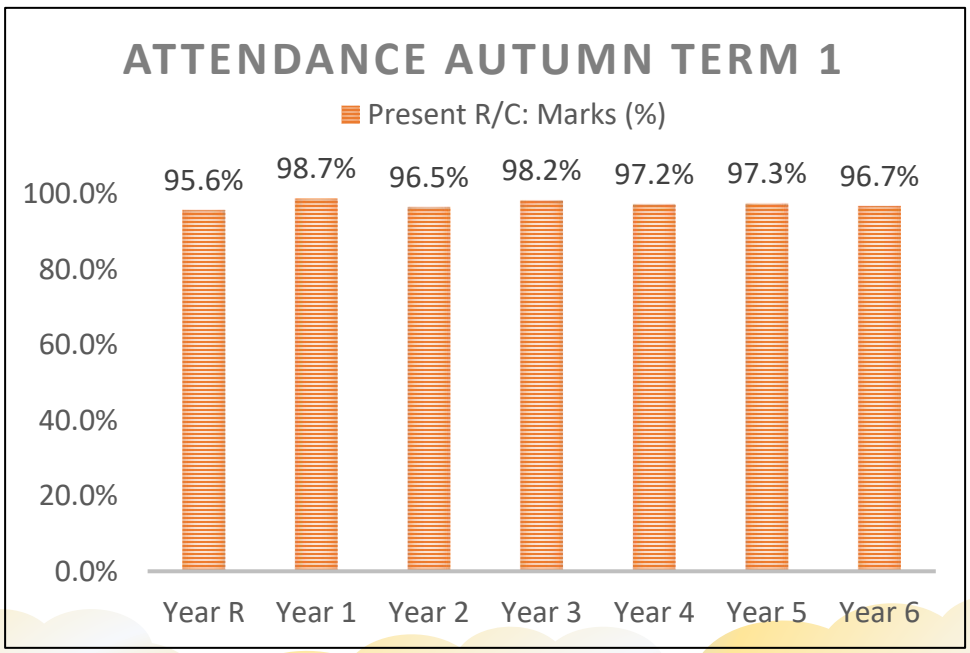
Dates for your diary!

Monday 26th – Friday 30th October Half-term

Parent-Teacher Conferences on
Monday 9th November (1:30-3:30pm)
and
Tuesday 10th November (3:30-5:30pm)
The letter will be sent out on Monday, along with the booking link.

26th November
Flu immunisation session for pupils in Reception to Year 6

Scan the QR code to complete the Flu consent form



SMILE Award

Year 1: **Jodi,** for always being polite and kind to your classmates. You always try your very best, and we are so proud of you. **Ayat,** for being a wonderful role model in Year 1. Keep shining!

Year 2: **Darlene and Anastasia,** they are both a delight to watch in the playground. They are always kind and helpful to others. Well done for being such wonderful role models!

Year 3: **Renae and Camellia,** for working so well with their classmates and always being kind and helpful. Keep up the wonderful work!

Year 4: **Maaz and Maitane,** they both set a fantastic example by being polite, respectful and responsible throughout the school. Well done!

Year 5:**Muniira and Sienna,** for always following the Golden Rules and setting a wonderful example for others. Well done to both of them!

Year 6: Year 6 were on their trip to the Royal Court of Justice.

Weekly Achievement Assembly Awards

Year 1	Taimia	For settling into Year 1 so well! Taimia always tries her best and joins in with learning brilliantly. The Year 1 team are so proud of her! Well done!
Year 2	Amira	Amira is a kind and helpful member of Year 2. She always tries her best and is willing to give everything a go. She should be proud of her efforts and keep believing in herself. Well done, Amira!
Year 3	Maqdis	The Year 3 team have chosen Maqdis this week for her hard work in mastering imperative verbs! She has shown a great understanding of bossy verbs and has worked brilliantly with her peers to create an instruction sheet explaining how to make a jam sandwich. Well done, Maqdis!
Year 4	Ismaila	For working so hard to minimise his distractions and stay focused on his learning. The Year 4 team are so proud of him! Well done!
Year 5	Filip	Filip has impressed us greatly this year with his calm, increasingly focused behaviour in class. He's friendly to everyone and clearly giving his best to all aspects of school life.
Year 6		Year 6 were on their trip Royal Court of Justice.
Mrs Brady	Maria, Y6	For being a Ronald Ross 'always child' – consistently conscientious, diligent and polite.

Golden Ticket Winner
Darlene, Year 2

Top Class: Year 4

Top Pupil: Myles, Year 4

Year 3 parents and carers are invited to join their children and Learn to Love to Read at...

COMIC CREATORS CLUB

9:00-10:00am
Tuesday 20th October 2026

Year 3 classroom
Ronald Ross School

- Find out why comics are so good for promoting a love of reading
- Read comics and graphic novels
- Draw along with a real cartoonist
- Make your own mini comics
- Take a free comic home

learn to
love to
read

🍽️ Harrison Catering Recipe Competition

We are excited to invite our pupils to take part in the **Harrison Catering Recipe Competition**!

🗓️ **Closing date: 21st October 2026**

The competition form will be **sent home with your child today or next week**. Please look out for it and encourage your child to get involved. We look forward to seeing all their creative recipe ideas! 👩‍🍳 👨‍🍳 🌟

'Design a School Lunch'
Autumn 2026
Pupil Recipe Competition Entry Form

Name of Pupil	
Age	
Name of School	
Class	

Guidelines

Pupil to design a meal suitable to be used as a school meal comprising of either a meat, fish or vegetarian dish, plus a carbohydrate accompaniment and a vegetable or salad dish using the principles of 'The Eatwell Plate' with emphasis on the use of fresh produce.

Entries Must Include:

- ✓ Protein Ingredient – meat, fish, eggs, beans (no seafood)
- ✓ Carbohydrate Accompaniment – bread, rice, potatoes, pasta
- ✓ Fresh Vegetables (and can also include fruit if you wish in the salad)

You Must Not Use:

- × Nuts or anything made from nuts
- × Soya or soya ingredients
- × Sesame or ingredients that contain sesame
- × Mustard or any ingredients that contain mustard
- × Processed foods – like burgers, sausages or processed meat alternatives
- × Artificial colourings or flavourings
- × Saturated fats, i.e., butter

Please remember to use the plate of good health as a guide:

- × Limit the amount of high sugar ingredients
- × No salt should be added to your recipe
- ✓ Incorporate fresh vegetables
- ✓ Think about the balance of ingredients
- ✓ Think about how the finished dish will look – colour, texture.

Two winning recipes (one from KS1 and one from KS2) chosen from across the borough of Wandsworth will appear on the Spring/Summer 2027 menu cycle for all schools within the central contract.

Pick up your entry form from the school office today.

Closing date for entries is Friday 23rd October 2026

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October Half Term Events

Saturday 24th October

- 10.30am: Through the Eyes of a Tree: Author Event with Esme Finch
- 11am: Origami Club

Tuesday 27th October

- 9.30-10.30am: Black History Month Storytime and Craft
- 3-4.30pm: Once Upon an Invention: Science Workshop
- 4pm: Lego and Duplo Club
- 4.30pm: Board Games Club

Wednesday 28th October

- 9.30am: Baby Rhyme Time
- 2-3pm: Explore Learning: Fun with Phonics Session
- 3.30-4.30pm: Arts and Crafts: Halloween Craft

Friday 30th October

- 9.30am: Tiny Tales and Tunes
- 11am: Storytime
- 2.30-4.30pm: Black History Month Culture Quest

Saturday 31st October

- 10.30-11am: Halloween Storytime
- 11am: Origami Club

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Making Life Better Together

Education Wellbeing Service

Wandsworth Education Wellbeing Service

PARENT / CARER COFFEE MORNING

Coffee, Chat & Support

Meet our Wellbeing Practitioners and find out how we support children, young people and families in Wandsworth.

A relaxed and friendly space to meet, chat and get useful information.

We know parenting can come with its ups and downs. You spend so much time looking after others, but what about you? Come along to our coffee morning to hear about some tips for self-care for parents.

FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER
9:00 – 10:00 AM

Ronald Ross School, Wandsworth

Topics

1. **Introduction to the Educational Wellbeing Service**
   Find out more about the support available for children, young people and families in Wandsworth.

2. **Looking after yourself to look after your child**
   Practical tips and ideas to support your own wellbeing, so you can be there for your child.

This is a great chance to:

- Hear about how the service can support you and your child.
- Ask questions in a relaxed and friendly setting.
- Find out what's happening locally and in school, and connect with other parents and carers.

Everyone Welcome!

Provided by Wandsworth Educational Wellbeing Services

PATHS/SEL at Home Online Parent Sessions

There will be 6 sessions in total. **Fridays at 9.30am from 9th October,** excluding half term.

Link: **Microsoft Teams meeting:**

https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/3998772855639555?p=DtcMhK3NYlg89zopyh

Meeting ID: 399 877 285 563 955

Passcode: Fn7q4qw2

Parent Session with School Nurse

We are pleased to invite parents and carers to an online session with our school nurse, **Janet Osbourne**, on **Wednesday 4th November, from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm**.

The session will be an opportunity to ask questions and find out more about the role of the school nursing team, how they work with the school, and what support is available for children and families.

The session will take place online, but if you would prefer to come into school and join us, you are very welcome!

The joining link will be shared soon.

Looking for free activities, stay-and-play groups, or family support in the area this term? Check out the Roehampton Autumn 2026 Timetable from Wandsworth's local Children's Centres and Family Hubs to see what's on offer for you and your children.

Bop Stars – Performing Arts Holiday Camp

- A fun-filled week of singing, dancing, drama, creative activities and imaginative adventures, led by our brilliant team of professional performers.

📍 Allfarthing Primary School, Wandsworth
📅 Monday 26th – Friday 30th October
👧 Ages 3–12
⏰ Full Day: 8:30am–3:30pm
⭐ Half Day for ages 3 & 4: 8:30am–12:30pm
🌙 Wraparound care available until 5:30pm

- Sports Stars – Multi-Activity Holiday Camp
- An action-packed week of sports, games, team challenges and energetic activities, led by our fantastic sports coaches.

📍 St Michael's Church of England Primary School, Southfields
📅 Monday 26th – Friday 30th October
👧 Ages 3–12
⏰ Full Day: 8:30am–3:30pm
⭐ Half Day for ages 3 & 4: 8:30am–12:30pm
🌙 Wraparound care available until 5:30pm

- 🎭 Plus, a very special camp excursion!
- We also have an exclusive excursion to the Southbank Centre to see The Smeds and The Smoos live on stage!
- Excursion places are limited and available on a first come, first served basis, so we recommend booking early if your child would like to join us.
- As a thank you for our ongoing partnership with Ronald Ross, we'd love to offer families an exclusive 10% discount on their October Half Term camp booking.

⭐ Ronald Ross exclusive code: RDP9T5V
⭐ 10% off October Half Term bookings

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South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS Trust

Education Wellbeing Service

Understanding and Supporting your Child's Sleep Online Parent/Carer Group

The topic of sleep is a very common difficulty for many parents/carers and it can impact the whole family. This group will be for parents and carers of children ages 3-8 focusing on the following topics:

- **The Science of Sleep.**
- **Common Sleep Difficulties.**
- **Creating the right environment and routines.**
- **Supporting your child with sleeping independently.**
- **Practical tools and skills to support your child.**

Join our 4-session online group to connect with other parents/carers and learn new ways to support your child's sleep.

Dates and Times:

Groups will be delivered online on the following Fridays Nov 13, Nov 20, Dec 7 between 12:30-1:30PM. with a follow up session on Jan 8th. Please click here to sign up.

Further groups will be offered throughout the year.

If you are interested but cannot attend these dates/times please sign up and we will be in touch.

In many schools, we also provide free 1:1 early support for parents/carers of primary aged children to support their child's common worries and anxieties or support children's tricky or challenging behaviours. Please speak to your school to find out more.

Please scan the QR Code or click here to sign up.

AFC Wimbledon Women are back at the Cherry Red Records Stadium in November. First, on 8 November, when we welcome Lewes. And then on 29 November, when we face Fulham.

They are offering **FREE TICKETS** to community to join them at both games. All you need to do is use the below to claim your tickets at tickets.afcwimbledon.ltd.uk.

AFC Wimbledon v Lewes
Sunday 29 November
Gate opens: 12.30pm
Kick-off: 2pm
Ticket code: **AFCWWLEW**

AFC Wimbledon v Fulham
Sunday 8 November
Gate opens: 12.30pm
Kick-off: 2pm
Ticket code: **AFCWWFUL**

WE'RE SO BACK!

LEWES FC

8 NOV, 2PM

29 NOV, 2PM

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We are offering **FREE TICKETS** to our community to join us at both games.

All you need to do is use the comp codes below to claim your tickets.

For Lewes, 8 November: **AFCWWLEW**
For Fulham, 29 November: **AFCWWFUL**

tickets.afcwimbledon.ltd.uk

So, what can you expect at one of our games?

The gates will open at 12.30pm. When you arrive, you will find food from our kiosks and food vans. Our fantastic pub and retail unit is open too! You can buy a programme for £2, which the players will sign after the game.

Our fantastic Foundation have plenty of activities for children of all ages to keep you active before the game kicks off. And you get to meet our mascot - Haydon the Womble. What's not to love?

Follow us on social media (@afcwwomen) for all pre-match updates!