

# Royston Weekly



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Monday 20th January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

After last week's uncertainty and disruption around the weather, I am very grateful that despite the chilly conditions, we have managed a full week! This week and next week, some of our teachers will be out on valuable training days. This will give them the opportunity to work with other teachers in the same year group and share ideas and teaching experiences that will benefit our pupils.

## [School Holiday date 2025-2026](#)

From next academic year, 2025-2026, the school will follow the Barnsley Local Authority Holiday calendar, and we will no longer have two weeks off at Spring Bank. I wanted to share this information as soon as possible so you have advanced notice. I will share next year's school calendar in the next couple of weeks once our Inset days are confirmed by the Academy Trust. This change is in line with Enhance's holiday policy and will help school work proactively with the Local Authority. The school calendar for this year 2024-2025 is unchanged.

## [NSPCC Number Day](#)

On Friday 7th February, we will be taking part in the NSPCC Number Day. During the day, pupils will take part in various activities and challenges involving numbers. This will be a non-uniform day with a voluntary contribution of £1 and all monies raised will be split equally between NSPCC and school funds. Pupils are encouraged to wear something maths or number related that day if they can!

## [Punctuality](#)

We would like to send a reminder about the importance of being punctual. Arriving at school on time ensures that children start their day calmly and are fully ready to engage in learning from the very beginning. The first part of the day includes important routines, instructions, and activities that set the tone for the rest of the day alongside other class members. Being punctual also helps children develop good habits that will benefit them throughout their lives, including responsibility, time management, and respect for others. We hope we can continue to work together to ensure every child has the best possible start to their school day!

Doors open 8:50am and close at 9:00am

Please remember if your child is late after the register closes this is marked as a U and negatively impacts on their attendance.

## [Messages to children](#)

The Admin Team are increasingly receiving calls during the school day regarding messages to be passed onto children/class teacher. These can range from collection at the end of school, going to another child's house for tea or after-school events. Some of these calls and also texts are received only a few minutes before the end of the school day. We accept that emergencies can happen but ask that these messages are passed to class teachers at drop off before school starts. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.



## PE Days

Year Group	Day of the Week
Reception (FS2)	Tuesday
Year 1	Monday and Wednesday
Year 2	Monday and Friday
Year 3	Tuesday and Friday
Year 4	Friday
Year 5	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 6	Monday

## DIARY DATES

### January

W/C 20<sup>th</sup> January - Bike Ability Year 5- Letter to follow for Year 5 Parents

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February- Year 1 parents and carers Phonics Screening Check meeting

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January - BYC singing workshop in school Y3, Y4 and Y5 (plus members of choir in Y6)

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January- Year 6 at Barnsley College for Athletics Final- afternoon only.

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January - Year Two parents and carers SATS information session 9:00am (Please come to the main school office after dropping children off)

### February

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February - Children's Mental Health Week (children will take part in additional sessions in the week to support wellbeing)

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February - Year Six parents and carers SATS information session 3:30pm

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February - NSPCC Number Day (non- uniform or number themed dress)

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Florence Nightingale Day Year 2

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February - Young Voices (School Choir)

### March

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day (All children can dress up as their favorite book character)

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March – Year 1 trip to the Butterfly House

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March – Year 5 Creative Writing Workshop in school

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March - class photos

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March - Red Nose Day (non- uniform day)

### May

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May to 15<sup>th</sup> May - SATS week for Year 6 pupils

### June

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June- Year 5 trip National Mining Museum

### July

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 trip Robinwood Residential

As always thank you for your continued support. We are awaiting clarification of dates for some trips but we will share these as soon as possible so you have advanced notice.

*R. Steele*

Acting Headteacher