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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week we launched My Happy Mind with the children in their lessons. We've had great feedback from the children and parents who have downloaded the app. If you haven't had chance, follow this link and register your details to access the app.

<https://myhappymind.lpages.co/myhappymind-parent-app-introduction/>

Then enter your email address and the code 148457. Then you can download the app or access on a computer using your email address and the new password.

Kind regards
Mrs Jill Sach

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 24th November

- Chamber Choir performing 12.00-12.30pm (children to arrive from 11.30am)

Monday 25th November:

- Flu Immunisations

Tuesday 26th November

- Reception & year 6 height and weight measuring

Thursday 28th November:

- Christmas Jumper & Nativity Costume Sale

Monday 2nd December

- Aspirations Week

Tuesday 10th December

- Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas Production 2.15pm

Wednesday 11th December

- Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas Production 9am

Thursday 12th December

- Reception Christmas Production 2.15pm

Friday 13th December

- EYFS Christmas Production 9am
- Year 3 visit to Tatton Park

Saturday 14th December

- Lymm Dickensian Festival

Monday 16th December

- KS2 Carol Service 2pm @St Mary's
- KS2 Carol Service 6pm @St Mary's

Thursday 19th December

- Non-uniform/ Christmas Jumper Day (donation to PTA)

SUITABLE FOOTWEAR

As you will have noticed, the playground is incredibly muddy. When it rains, the water flows down from the fields and lots of the areas are incredibly muddy and wet. We want to avoid mud being brought into the school and therefore wellies/ boots are the only footwear we will be allowing onto the grassy areas until the weather is drier. Children wearing trainers will now be expected to stay on the hard surfaces as their feet get too wet and cold in the afternoons.

DICKENSIAN (CHRISTMAS) FESTIVAL

On Saturday 14th December, all Ravenbank children are invited to take part in the Lymm Dickensian Festival. Children are invited to dress up in a general Christmas themed costume (think presents, sweets, crackers, fairies, elves, reindeers, nativity...and so on!).

Please could you respond to the link sent on Parent Pay to all parents/carers to ask if you would like your child to be involved and that you'd be willing to accompany the children as we join in the procession. Further information will be sent once we've gauged the level of interest in the event.



If you have any sticker books at home, please ensure these are returned promptly to ensure children have plenty of books to choose from.



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK



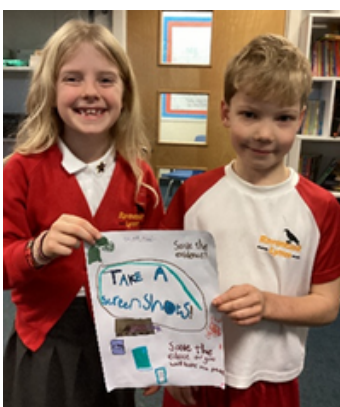
We were very busy during Anti-Bullying Week taking part in a range of activities. The whole school focus text was Troll Stinks, which is a story that carries a wonderful message for younger children about using kind words and how to respond to cyber bullying for older children.

Some year groups thought about the lasting impact of unkind words by crumpling paper to show how difficult it is to remove the lines of hurt. They then wrote their own kind messages and made flowers, leaves and paper chains of kindness.

We created a whole school display to celebrate the work of all children across school and also to remind ourselves all year around about the importance of anti-bullying.

We also learnt about cyber bullying. The children learnt some important strategies for what they should do if they, or someone they know, is being bullied online.

- Don't respond
- Block the bully
- Tell a trusted adult
- Take screenshots (save the evidence)
- Don't blame yourself
- Don't be a bystander



STOP!

We use the definition 'several times on purpose' to define bullying. We also use the phrase 'start telling other people' so that we can ensure we put a stop to bullying. Please also see our anti-bullying policy on our website for further information.

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Bullying behaviour is when someone is nasty or hurts you, on purpose, again and again.

Several Times

The person does it more than once over more than one day.

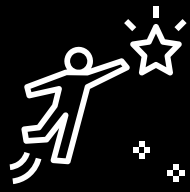


On Purpose

The person is doing on purpose to hurt another person.

S T O P
Start Telling Other People

Let's bullying together!



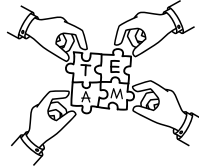
ASPIRATIONS WEEK: DREAM BIG, WORK HARD, BE KIND!



We are very excited to launch our Aspirations Week, beginning Monday 2nd December. A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who have offered to come and support us by sharing your expertise! The goal of Aspirations week is to get children to think about their future interests, skills and potential careers, whilst building self-confidence and awareness of different life paths. The week has been themed so that each day brings something new and exciting!



My Interests & Strengths: Children will be having an opportunity to think about these and take part in creative activities to share their ideas.



Teamwork Challenges: Children will need to solve a problem together and show our Ravenbank value of perseverance!



I Have a Dream: We're looking forward to seeing lots of creative outcomes showing children's dreams and aspirations.



Inspirational People: We'll be focusing on finding out more about key inspirational people and learning about them through wonderful story books.

Look out for pictures of our work in the newsletter!

ONLINE SAFETY

Online grooming crimes have increased by 89% in six years! This staggering statistic means that it is essential parents and carers are closely monitoring their children's online lives. Some facts that we feel are important to be aware of:

- More than 7000 sexual communications with a child offence were recorded by police in 2023-24.
- Almost half of the offences were on Snapchat (48%) where a means of communication is known.
- Most grooming cases (81%) take place against girls while primary school children were being targeted by offenders.
- Perpetrators encourage children to continue online communication on private and encrypted messaging platforms.

What can parents and carers do to protect their children online?

- Have a look at the online safety guides for parents on the NSPCC webpage:
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/#advice>
- Take a look at the specific guide to give advice around Snapchat:
<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/social-media/snapchat/>
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/is-snapchat-safe-for-my-child/>
- Talk to your child regularly about online safety. If you do this, they are more likely to come to you if they have any worries.



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USEFUL REMINDERS

LYMM CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

A reminder that Ravenbank children are making Christmas tree decorations for St Mary's Church Christmas Tree Festival. Entry is free of charge and there will be singing groups, craft and produce stall, refreshments and a treasure hunt!

- Friday 6th December 10am to 4.30pm
- Saturday 7th December 10am to 5pm
- Sunday 8th December 11am to 4pm
- Christmas Tree Festival Family Service 10am



CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

The week beginning 3rd February 2025 is **Children's Mental Health Week** and we are planning lots of activities for the children to take part in at Ravenbank. It would be amazing for the children to take part in a yoga session so if you are a yoga teacher and are willing to volunteer some of your time to deliver a yoga session to a year group of your choice, please get in touch with Miss Green via the school office. Many thanks in advance!

CHRISTMAS JUMPERS/ NATIVITY COSTUMES

A reminder that we're collecting Christmas jumpers. We will then be holding a sale to raise fund for the PTA (and it's good to recycle!). You can leave these in the front entrance or send in with your child. Next week is the last chance to donate.



WINTER WONDERLAND



Ravenbank's very own Chamber Choir will be performing in Golden Square as part of Warrington's Winter Wonderland event on **Sunday 24th November at 12-12:30pm**. There are lots of family-friendly festivities over the weekend and the children are very excited to be invited to perform and represent our school.

<https://www.warrington.gov.uk/warrington-town-centre-events>

If your child is performing with us, please ensure they arrive outside Café Nero in Golden Square by 11.45am at the latest so the choir can be assembled and checked. Staff will be there from 11.30am. They must be in their school uniform but this can be embellished with Christmas tinsel etc. Please ensure your child has been to the toilet beforehand as we cannot supervise extra visits. The performance starts at 12pm and should finish by 12.30pm.

PE AND SPORTS NEWS



Huge congratulations to Maggie (Year 5) who successfully completed a 1.5km at the weekend. Maggie came 1st in the female race and 3rd overall. What a fabulous achievement Maggie! Well done!

KS2 Ability Day

On Thursday 21st November children across KS2 took part in an Ability Day. Congratulations to Laura, Raymond, Leo, Harlee, Lydia, Emilio, Ethan, George, Joshua and Snow. They represented Ravenbank wonderfully and really enjoyed taking part in all of the different activities.



Lymm Runners Dickensian Santa Dash

The Lymm Runners Santa Dash is now an established fixture in the Lymm Dickensian Day celebration. We open the parade in a colourful flash of red and white. Now in its 10th year, the Fun Run creates a buzz at the start of the procession. The route goes through the village to the applause from the crowds who line the pavements each year to support this long-established event. Entry is open to Fun Runners aged 8+ capable of completing the 5km course.

<https://lymmrunners.niftyentries.com/Lymm-Runners-Dickensian-Santa-Dash-Sat-14-Dec-2024>

Mrs Fenney has taken over the coordination of the sports and physical education curriculum. Any sporting news should be sent to ravenbank.primary@thebeamtrust.co.uk for her attention. Many thanks.



STAFFING NEWS

We are delighted to let you know that Mrs Evans is expecting a baby in March. She has shared the happy news with her class this week. We will keep parents informed regarding her maternity cover.





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**Breakfast in
Bethlehem**

Saturday 7th December 2024

9:30am – 12.30pm

Lymm Baptist Church
Higher Lane

Immerse yourself in the real Christmas Story at this family friendly event.

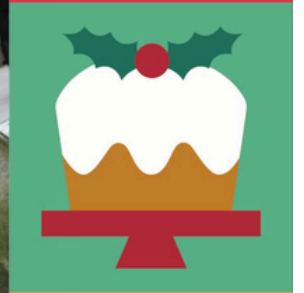
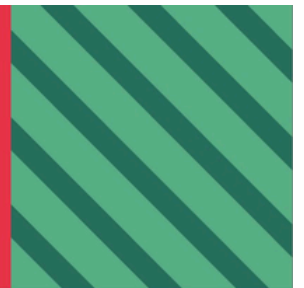
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