

Newsletter



February 2026

Basic Skills

Creativity

Emotional Literacy

Positive Contribution

Message from Mrs Bradbury....

What a fantastic first week back we've had at Redscope! The children have returned full of enthusiasm, positivity and a real desire to learn. It has been wonderful to see just how much progress they continue to make—not only academically, but also in their growing maturity and confidence. Classrooms have been buzzing with purposeful learning, curiosity and teamwork, and we are incredibly proud of the way the children have settled straight back into school life.

Across the school, children have been busy rehearsing for our upcoming Poetry Slam on Friday 6th March, held as part of our World Book Day celebrations. Each class will be hosting its own in-house competition, with the winning groups going head-to-head in the hall to wow our panel of judges. Everyone is hoping to secure a place in the official Slam at Wingfield. We can't wait to see the creativity and confidence the children bring to the stage!

A little reminder that this year we will be celebrating World Book Day on Friday 6th March, and children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. You will already know this from the list of dates in the events section of the newsletter. There is no charge for taking part, and we're looking forward to seeing the wonderful range of creative costumes the children come up with!

Last term, we were lucky to welcome several brilliant visitors into school. One particular highlight was the Year 3 Firefighter talk. The team shared lots of important safety advice with the children and were incredibly impressed by how well they listened. They were especially keen to remind families that children under 12 years old or under 135cm in height must use a booster seat when travelling in a car. We appreciate your support in keeping our pupils safe.



We were delighted to be featured on the front page of the Rotherham Advertiser this week as part of our ongoing work to raise money for a new community sculpture. It's wonderful to see our project gaining recognition, and we're hopeful this visibility will help us reach our fundraising goal.

If you know of any local businesses or organisations who may be willing to support the project, please do share the fundraising link with them—every contribution will help bring this exciting community artwork to



life. <https://www.rotherhamadvertiser.co.uk/news/people/legacy-sculpture-to-be-a-landmark-for-decades-to-come-5609558>

Attendance and Lateness

Attendance has improved slightly during February with statutory attendance now at 93.4%. We know it can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they are unwell. If your child has a cough or slight cold symptoms, they are fine to come into school.

As you will be aware we are currently running a half term attendance challenge, this week it has been beat the bell. There were 337 children who beat the bell and were entered onto the prize wheel. Congratulations to our 6 winners who all won a Smyths voucher each.

Next week is Redscope's Saturday night takeaway where one lucky family of a child who has attended on time all week will win a hamper to enjoy as a family over the weekend.

Please help to support your children but ensuring they are in school on time every day.

Week of 23rd February

BEAT THE BELL IS BACK...

Be at school on time everyday this week to be in with a chance of a winning 1 of 6 vouchers.



1 lucky winner who has achieved 100% attendance this week, will get to take home a hamper full of goodies for them and their family

Week of 2nd March



Can your class get a full house?

The full class must get 98% attendance for the week to win the prize.

Week of 9th March



COME DINE WITH STAFF

Staff will come join you in the dining hall for their dinner on different days throughout the week.

Week of 16th March

TIME BOMB

Can you make it to school on time each day this week to be in the lucky dip draw?

Week of 23rd March



Key Reminders

Jewellery & Uniform Reminder

Please can we remind all parents and carers that, in line with school policy and the wider NCLT Primary Schools policy, children are only permitted to wear one pair of stud earrings and a watch to school. Hoop earrings or any other styles are not allowed for safety reasons. Watches should be digital or analogue only—smart watches are not permitted.

We are also seeing an increasing number of children coming to school in white trainers or trainers with white soles or white patches. Please note that trainers (including on PE days) must be entirely black, or children should wear black school shoes. Thank you for your support in keeping our uniform consistent and safe.

Drop Offs

All children in REY, Clever Kittens, Reception Class and Key Stage 1 (Classes 4,5,6) MUST be dropped off and picked up by an adult. Please do not leave your child unsupervised in the playground.

Lunch Supervision and Dinners

All school meals should be paid for in advance on Arbor.
Huge thanks to the vast majority of parents who do this.

Breakfast Club

Every day, we offer breakfast club for our children from 7.45am.

- £3.00 FS2- Y6
- £4.00 REY and Clever Kittens

Rainbows After School Childcare

Every day, we offer after school childcare. This is across in our REY building.

- Home time to 4:30 Children have a light snack e.g. toast £5.50
- Home time to 5:30 Children have a bigger snack e.g. beans on toast £10
- **On a Monday and Friday, Rainbows offers Forest School Friday until 4:30 where the children take part in outside activities too e.g. cooking on a campfire, den building, scavenger hunts.**
- Later finish is available at additional cost.

Breakfast Club and Rainbows are a Pay as you Go service. Clubs must be booked and paid for in advance on Arbor to secure the place.

NUTS

We have a number of children with airborne nut allergies. Please don't send your child with nuts or nut spreads to school.

Please save these for a snack in your own home.

Parking

The zig zag lines outside of school are there to protect our children and not to be parked across.

Please can we remind you the car park is for staff use only and should be used under no circumstances unless agreed in an emergency.

Birthdays

When it is your child's birthday, if you wish, they may come to school wearing birthday badges, sashes, headbands. Your child may not want to and that is fine too.

We ask that you don't bring in items to share e.g. sweets, buns etc. Partly, this is due to allergies and special diets as we have a large number of children who require specialist items. Mainly, it creates pressure for other parents to do the same for their child's birthday and an extra expense. Times are tough and the money could be used on a gift for your own child.

Event in school this half term

- World Book Day. Come to school dressed as your favourite book character. There is no charge for this. Friday 6th March.
- Easter disco- Information coming soon

Trips and experiences coming up this half term

- Y3 Trip to Crowden. Thursday 5th March. Please make payment on Arbor
- REY and Clever Kittens have Little City experience in school. Monday 9th March
- Class 14 to go to New York stadium. Thursday 5th March. Please make payment on Arbor
- Y1 and Y2 going to Boston Park Farm. Wednesday 18th March. Please make payment on Arbor
- Y5 Residential to Caythorpe. Monday 9th March.

Key Dates for 2025- 26

Spring Term Date	Event
6 th March	World Book Day – costumes
12 th March	Book Fayre £1, £2, £3 books
25 th March	Disco
27th March	Last Day of term before Easter. Easter egg decorating competition
28th March – 12th April	EASTER holiday

Summer Term Date	Event
13 th April	Back to school
21 st April	Class Photos
23 rd April	Collect from Class
11 th , 12 th , 13 th , 14 th May	Y6 SATs (Please do not book a holiday in this period.)
22 nd May	Non- uniform day £1 to participate and last day of term
23 rd May – 1 st June	Spring Bank holiday
2 nd June	Back to school
2 nd to 12 th June	Multiplication Screening Check for Y4 pupils. (Please do not book a holiday in this period if this is for your child.)
8 th to 12 th June	Y1 phonics screen check (Please do not book a holiday in this period if this is for your child.)
8 th June	Collect from class
20 th June	Summer Fayre
26 th June	Sports day
29 th June – 1 st July	Y6 residential
8 th July	Redscope 70 th Anniversary
13 th -17 th July	Y6 transition to Wingfield and Winterhill
17 th July	Last day of term

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Children and Young People's Services
TERM TIMES - 2025/2026 SCHOOL YEAR

September (22 days)						
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October (18 days)						
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November (20 days)						
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December (15 days)						
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April (14 days)						
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June (22 days)						
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July (14 days)						
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August						
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 Denotes School Holiday

 Denotes Bank Holiday