



Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now well into the first half term of the new academic year and it has been lovely to see the children settling into their classes and getting into the routines of school life.

We have already had our first school trip of the academic year which was a wonderful opportunity for the children.

It was lovely to see so many of you at the year group meetings. I hope that whatever year group your child is in you found the session useful and informative.

Reading at Rokesly

Research consistently demonstrates the significant benefits of reading for pleasure and its strong association with children's future educational attainment. We therefore put reading and oracy at the heart of all that we do. Our Infant and Junior children will be having author visits before half term. Please keep an eye out for further information about these exciting events. We would encourage all families to share books with their children at home. This might be your child reading to you. It might be you reading to your child or it could be reading together and taking turns.

One child recently told us that in their household they have "Reading Wednesday" where everyone sets aside time to stop and enjoy some dedicated reading time. What a wonderful idea:

We know that every family is different and that what works for one family will not necessarily work for another. There is no single right way to make reading part of family life. All we ask is that you support your child and the school by encouraging and promoting reading regularly at home,

Books really can take you anywhere!

Warmest wishes,
Bola Soneye-Thomas
Headteacher

Term Dates 2026-2027

Autumn Term 2026

02/09/2026 – 18/12/2026

Half Term 2026

26/10/26 – 30/10/2026

Spring Term 2027

04/01/2027 – 25/03/2027

Half Term 2027

14/02/2027 – 19/02/2027

Summer Term 2027

12/04/2027 – 20/07/2027

Half Term 2027

31/05/2027 – 04/06/2027

Tad Days

Wednesday	02/09/2026
Thursday	03/09/2026
Friday	04/09/2026
Wednesday	21/07/2027
Thursday	22/07/2027

Teacher Liaison

Staff are available for a very brief update about anything that may need to be addressed or noted during the school day.

However our class teachers are very busy at the start of the day. Their priority is getting the children safely into class, settling them and starting the school day positively.

We therefore ask that parents and carers do not engage class teachers in full conversations during morning drop-off. If you need to discuss something in more detail please contact the school office so that an appropriate time can be arranged.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Elmfield Avenue

The burst water pipe and the closure of the footpath outside Asda have been challenging but we have managed the situation and continue to do so.

At present we have not received an update about when the footpath and surrounding area will fully reopen.

We will share any further information with you as soon as we receive it.

YMCA

Last academic year the YMCA held a consultation evening at the school. This gave everyone an opportunity to find out more about their plans. The first part of the session was specifically for Rokesly parents. The remainder of the session was open to anyone who wished to attend.

A reminder that the deadline for responding to their consultation is Friday 2nd October. Please see the link below.

<https://ymcacrouchend.org/crouch-end-consultation-your-views/>

Secondary School Transfer

Secondary Transfer Deadline Date: 31 October 2026 – All applications must be submitted by this date; applications received after this date will be classed as late and not considered until all on time offers have been made.

Live Secondary Transfer Meetings: In addition to what some primary schools are providing families, Haringey School Admissions will be hosting live

sessions where there will be a presentation and Q&A session. Information relating to this is available on our website: [Secondary school open events and online talks about applying | Haringey Council](#) We strongly advise that you attend one of these sessions.

Secondary school open Events: [Secondary school open events and online talks about applying | Haringey Council](#)

Secondary Booklet: www.haringey.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Apply online: www.eadmissions.org.uk

Cycle to School Week is back for 2026!

From **Monday 5th to Friday 9th October 2026**, schools and families across the country will be swapping the usual school run for something quicker, healthier, cheaper and a whole lot more fun.

Cycle to School Week is a national celebration of everyday cycling. Whether you're already riding or thinking about giving it a go, it's the perfect opportunity to build confidence, try something new and discover just how good the journey to school can feel on two wheels.

Reminders

Please do not allow your child to ride their bike or scooter across the main playground in the mornings or after school.

There have been a few near misses. We will therefore be reminding everyone to dismount as they come through the gate.

Please do not be offended if a member of staff speaks to you or your child about this. Our priority is to keep everyone safe particularly when the playground is busy.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

CALENDAR DATES 2026 2027

AUTUMN TERM

OCTOBER 2026

Date	Event
Thursday 1 st October	Black History Month begins
Monday 12 th October	9.10am Nursery and Reception Tapestry workshop for parents and carers in the Infant school hall
Tuesday 13 th October	PSA Halloween Costume Sale
Saturday 17 th October	PSA Infants Halloween Disco
Wednesday 21 st October	Infant School Book Fair 4pm – 5.30pm
Wednesday 21 st October	Parent Consultation Evening Infants 3.50pm – 7.00pm
Thursday 22 nd October	Parent Consultation Evening Infants 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Friday 23 rd October	Halloween Cake Sale
Thursday 22 nd October	Movie Night – Juniors
Monday 26 th October – Friday 30 th October	Half Term

NOVEMBER 2026

Date	Event
Monday 2 nd November	Pendarren Week – Year 6
Monday 2 nd November	All back to school
Friday 6 th November	Bright Day – Road Safety
Wednesday 7 th November	Author visit to Junior School
Monday 9 th November	Book sharing evening for parents 3.20pm – 4.20pm – Juniors
Monday 9 th November	Flu Vaccine catch up
Wednesday 11 th November	Reception Family Phonics
Wednesday 11 th November	Parents' Evening online 3.30pm – 6.00pm – Juniors
Thursday 12 th November	Reception Family Phonics
Thursday 12 th November	Parents' Evening online 3.30pm – 5.30pm – Juniors
Friday 13 th November	Reception Family Phonics
Week beginning 16 th November	Anti-Bullying Week – Break the Silence
Tuesday 17 th November	PSA AMG
Tuesday 17 th November	Green class trip to Bruce Castle Museum
Wednesday 18 th November	Infants Individual Photos
Thursday 19 th November	Orange class trip to Bruce Castle Museum
Friday 20 th November	Year 3 Trip to British Museum
Tuesday 24 th November	Year 5 Trip to Lille France
Friday 27 th November	Infants Joy Day

DECEMBER 2026

Date	Event
Wednesday 2 nd December	Full GB Meeting
Week beginning 7 th December	Last week for all clubs
Tuesday 8 th December	Year 1 Show to parents
Wednesday 9 th December	Nursery Christmas songs in the hall
Wednesday 16 th December	Movie Night Juniors
Thursday 17 th December	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 17 th December	Carols Around the Tree
Friday 18 th December	Rokesly's Got Talent
Friday 18 th December	Class Parties – Last day of term
Monday 21 st December – Friday 1 st January	Christmas holiday