



Rockingham
Primary School
Broadening Horizons

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Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 28th February – Pancake Day

Thursday 2nd March – World Book Day

Tuesday 14th March – Winter Cup

Wednesday 15th March – Parents Evening

Thursday 16th March – Parents Evening

Thursday 23rd March – Special Women Day

Friday 24th March – Red Nose Day

Tuesday 28th March – Foundation Trip to Woburn

Friday 31st March – School closes

Changes of Phone Number or Address

Please remember that if you change your mobile or home phone number or if you have moved house then school needs to know. Just pop into the office and let one of the ladies know. Thank you.



If you change your number you must verify this with Parentmail to keep receiving texts from us. If you have any problems with Parentmail please download the Parentmail App as this has a support site for parents.

Absence from School

If your child is absent from school due to illness can you please advise the School Office on 203806 by 9am at the latest. You can leave a message if it is before 8am. Please remember that you need to report **each day** of absence to

Our busy, fun last few days at school



On Thursday 9th February, we had a visit from Martin, who is an engineer with the HAAS Formula one team. He came in to tell us all about his job and the world of formula one. He travels all over the world and he brought in a steering wheel from a Formula one car!



On Friday 10th February we all came together in the playground and blew bubbles as part of a Bubblethon which happened all across Northamptonshire. This was to mark National Mental Health Awareness Day.

Later on.....



We had some fun on the bouncy castles in the ARC.

Road Safety

We would ask that parents **DO NOT** park in the bus layby outside school as it causes a safety hazard when buses are dropping children off after trips.

the office.

Pancake Day

The School Governors will be selling pancakes on the KS1 and KS2 playgrounds straight after school on Shrove Tuesday, 28th Feb. There will be a charge of 50p in order to raise money for school funds. Please come along for a chat and support the school. Thank you.

BBC News

We will be playing live news feed from the BBC News channel on the TV in the key Stage 2 corridor.

Contacting school

If your child is being collected by another adult, please could you contact the school office **before** lunchtime unless it is an emergency or unforeseen circumstances. We have seen a rise in the number of calls to school after 2.30pm. The children are usually in assembly at this time and it is difficult to get a message through before the end of the day.

World Book Day

Thursday 2nd March is World Book Day, the children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character.

Special Women Day

Thursday 23rd March is Special Women Day. On this day from 9:15-10:15 there will be activities in your child's class for you to join in with. We look forward to seeing you.

Attendance information

Gates Open 8.45am Gates Close 9.00am

If your child is **unwell**, it is essential that the school is informed first thing in the morning. Please ring the school office on 01536 203806 as soon as possible. The attendance team checks that all children are in school and will contact the parents of any children who are absent.

It is really important your children maintain good attendance and attend school on time.

Government research shows:

5 minutes	10 minutes	15 minutes	20 minutes	30 minutes
Late every day = 3 school days lost in a year	Late every day = 6.5 school days lost in a year	Late every day = 10 school days lost in a year	Late every day = 13 school days lost in a year	Late every day = 19 school days lost in a year

The Government have set a target of 96% attendance for all children. We need your support to achieve this and provide your children the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Community Room News

- English classes for those adults who have English as a second language. Beginner's and Intermediate classes.
- Tuesday 28th February - Sign Language 5 week course
- Wednesday 1st March - "Tune In" 8 week parenting course
- Thursday 2nd March - Parent/Child workshop "Planting bulbs"
- Wednesday 8th March - Parent Craft course with AIM qualification.
- Thursday 23rd March - Parent/Child "Easter Craft" workshop

If you would like to book a place on a course. Please contact Frances on 07793244111