



Summer Term 2

Newsletter

Dear all,

It's been a fabulous end to a fabulous year! I am so proud of all we have achieved this year; our many successes have brought Ryelands well deserved recognition from far and wide!

Year 6 have particularly 'done us proud'. This year we have a strong set of results all the way through school but our Y6 SATs results are higher than the national average in Maths, Writing and Spelling/Grammar—this is an incredible achievement.

Very, very well done to all the children and staff.

We are sad to be saying our goodbyes to Y6 and we wish them all the success they deserve in the future. We are also sad to be saying our goodbyes to Mrs Barker, Miss Whitehead and Claire Cornthwaite. On behalf of us all, I would like to thank them for all they have contributed to our school community, with a particular mention to Mrs Barker who has been at Ryelands for 12 years. Over this time, in her various roles, Mrs Barker has been instrumental in bringing success to our school.

We love Ryelands! Happy Holidays everyone! Mrs Pye

DIARY DATES



School Closes - Friday 21st July at 3.15pm

School Re-Opens - Tuesday 5th September

ART

Artwork Shortlisted for Exhibition

An amazing collage created by some of our creative children has been shortlisted by Lancaster Integrated Care Community. We went to see the piece hanging in the gallery at the Storey. "I feel proud to see my work in an art gallery."



Art Leaders Look to the Future.

Seven of our Junior Art Leaders went to see the final exhibition of the Art and Design students at Lancaster Morecambe College. They were blown away by the range and quality of the work. It was a great opportunity for them to see where they could go to study if they decided to pursue a career in the arts.

Art News

We've done it again! For the second time, Ryelands has been awarded Gold Artsmark from Arts Council England. This is a huge achievement for us and recognition of the great work the children and staff produce in all areas of the arts.

Here is a quote from the report we received:

'Lancaster Ryelands Primary School continues to impress with its commitment to the Arts being embedded within its creative curriculum. Your approach to development is carefully and thoughtfully planned, with your latest journey focusing on cross-curricular links and the use of the Arts to foster mental health and wellbeing.'

FAREWELL YEAR 6



RYELANDS UNIVERSITY



Our Ryelands University for Life Animal Care group decided they would like to fundraise for Animal Care, Lancaster after learning all about the vital work they do for animals in our community. The children sold 'names' for the chance to win a very cute squishy dog - a huge thank you to everyone who chose a name. The lucky winner was Grace W with the name Rigsby, and we raised £35! Frankie, Lily-Anne and Thomas then took our donation to Animal Care where it was gratefully received.

SCHOOL TRIPS

Year 1

As part of their History topic, 'At the End of the Pier', our Year 1 classes visited Morecambe on Wednesday 12th July to look at the key features of the seaside.

The children enjoy some time on the beach and even got to try some traditional seaside chips.

Year 2

As a part of their 'All Creatures Great and Small' topic, Year 2 enjoyed a visit to the butterfly house, they took part in workshops with the zoo keepers and even got to handle some of the resident creatures .



Year 6

Many of the year 6 children would say that Towerwood is their highlight of their time at Ryelands.

They went to Windermere on residential this half term where they have experienced ghyll scrambling, kayaking and rafting. The children were a credit to the school and learnt to be independent, organising their equipment as well as trying new activities to push their boundaries.



YEAR 6 LEAVERS PRODUCTION

Our Year 6 production was a huge success! Thank you to all the parents who came and attended. It was a fabulous evening that inspired our young people to develop their characters. They worked hard as a team and showed this half term's value of cooperation. The dramatic flare and enthusiastic singing has been heard around school for a number of weeks so this was nice to share with you at home. We will miss our Year 6's and wish them the best of luck in their next journey.



MUSIC

Choir

The choir recently welcomed residents from John Kay Court into school for a special singing performance! We sang a range of songs, including 'Bring Me Sunshine', 'We're all in this together' and 'School's Out' and even had everyone joining in with body percussion! We then served tea and biscuits and had a really good chat with our new friends.

Voice of the Year

Voice of the Year 2023 was an incredible success once again, the number of talented singers and beautiful voices was phenomenal! Well done to all the children who made it through to the final, the judges said it was the hardest competition to pick winners from. A special well done to the solo winner, Charlie in Year 6 who moved us with his angelic rendition of Somewhere Over the Rainbow and to the group winners, Bethany, Bella, Maayra and Kelsey from Year 4 who entertained the audience with their rapping and melody version of Deathbed. A big thank you to all of the children who auditioned, your courage and effort was superb!



SPORTS DAY

We were able to hold our annual school sports day in good weather. A massive thanks you to all the parents/guardians who came to celebrate the day with us. Well done to all our children who tried really hard on the day.

The winners were....

KS1 - RED



KS2 - GREEN



HOUSE CUP WINNERS

Congratulations to the Green Team on winning this years House Cup. They gained the most points each week as well as winning the KS2 Sports Day. The Green Team enjoyed a 'House Party' to celebrate.

