



23rd May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

As we approach the end of this half term, I want to take a moment to thank you all for the warm welcome and kind support you've shown me during my first term at Rosherville. It has been a real pleasure getting to know the children, families, and staff, and discovering the many wonderful things that make Rosherville such a special place. I've thoroughly enjoyed my time so far and feel incredibly fortunate to be part of such a vibrant and caring school community.

Dahl Class Charity event



On Wednesday, Dahl class raised money for their chosen charity, Ellenor, by selling their unique handcrafted keyrings, charms and earrings.

Thank you to everyone who made a purchase – they sold out! Well done Dahl class!



Speaking Competition Winner!

We are incredibly proud of all the pupils who took part in the Trust Speaking Competition and are delighted to share that Jay P, from Morpurgo Class, is our school winner. Jay spoke with confidence and passion about his own personal journey in football, impressing the judges with his clarity and enthusiasm. As our school representative, Jay will now have the opportunity to join the other winners from across the Trust on a special trip to the Houses of Parliament, and he will go on to represent Rosherville in the Trust finals in Term 6. Congratulations, Jay – we are all cheering you on!



Visit to Darent Valley Hospital

On Tuesday, some members of Rauf Class visited Darent Valley Hospital to present a cheque for the funds raised during their recent charity event. It was a special moment for those attending to see firsthand how their efforts will make a difference.

Pupils from Rosherville Church of England Academy demonstrated incredible compassion by raising an impressive £245.66 for Valley Hospital Charity through their colourful and creative Rainbow Raffle. This thoughtful initiative not only brought joy to our school community but also provided meaningful support for patients and staff at the hospital. Their generosity is a shining example of the positive impact young people can have when they unite for a worthy cause



Year 5 Parent Meeting for Kent test

We warmly invite Year 5 parents and carers to attend a short meeting on Monday 3rd June to learn more about the Kent Test process and how we support children preparing for it.

Registration for the Kent Test opens on Monday 2nd June 2025 and closes at midnight on Tuesday 1st July 2025. Please note that late registrations will not be accepted. The test is scheduled for Thursday 11th September 2025 for children in Kent primary schools, with results sent on Thursday 16th October 2025.

If you would like to discuss your child's suitability for the Kent Test, please contact your Class Teacher via Seesaw

Registration can be made via the following link: [Kent Test Registration](#)



Eid al Adha

On the afternoon of Friday 6th June, the children will spend the day celebrating Eid al Adha. If any parents would like to make a contribution of for our food tasting activity on this day, please speak to Mrs Martin.



A Polite Reminder About Road Safety

For the safety of all our children and families, please avoid making U-turns or parking on the zigzag lines outside the school. These restrictions are in place to ensure clear visibility and a safer environment during busy drop-off and pick-up times. Thank you for helping us keep our school community safe.

New Catering Provider – Aspens Services

From next term, Aspens Services will be taking over our school catering provision. We're excited to introduce their fresh approach to school meals, along with a new three-week rolling menu starting from **2nd June**.

You can view the full menu and find out more about Aspens on our school website:

 [School Meals Information](#)

Important Updates:

- Sandwich choices will now include ham, cheese, or tuna. Egg and jam options will no longer be available.
- All sandwiches will be served with a fresh salad instead of tortilla chips.
- A salad bowl and bread will be available daily.
- Due to rising food and staffing costs, the price of a school meal will increase to **£2.53 per day** from 2nd June.

This does not affect children in Reception to Year 2 (Universal Infant Free School Meals) or those eligible for free school meals.

If your child has any allergies, dietary needs, or lifestyle requirements, please complete the **Alternative Menu Form** as soon as possible. Paper copies are also available from the School Office.

We look forward to welcoming this refreshed service and hope your children enjoy the updated menu. As always, we welcome your feedback on the changes.





Half-Term Fun for Families – Free Local Activities!

Looking for fun and active ways to spend time as a family this half term? Gravesham Borough Council is offering a fantastic range of *free* events for all to enjoy:

- **Tuesday 27 May – Craft & Explore:** Create your own binoculars and set off on a nature trail adventure. Pre-booked time slots available. [Book your place here](#)
- **Wednesday 28 May – Gravesham Tennis Open Day:** Drop in anytime between 12pm and 3pm – no need to book! A great chance to try something new. [More information here](#)
- **Thursday 28 May – Craft & Trail (again!):** Missed Tuesday's session? There's another chance to join the binocular-making and nature trail experience. [Book your place here](#)
- **Thursday 28 May – Guided Canal Walk:** Enjoy a scenic stroll along the canal path and out onto the marshes from 2pm to 4pm. [Full details here](#)

Free Parent Workshops to Support Emotional Wellbeing

The Emotional Wellbeing Team (NELFT NHS) is offering a series of *free*, informative online workshops designed to support parents and carers with common challenges and transitions. These sessions are a great opportunity to gain practical advice and tools to help your child thrive.

You can find out more and register using the links below:

- **Starting Primary School** – Helpful tips for supporting your child with the move into Reception. [Register here](#)
- **Starting Secondary School** – Guidance on how to prepare for the transition to Year 7. [Register here](#)
- **Understanding Your Child's Behaviour** – Explore what might be behind certain behaviours and how to respond supportively. [Register here](#)



Kent Emotional Wellbeing Teams
Medway Emotional Support Teams

- **Me & My Child: Understanding Resilience** – Learn how to build emotional resilience in your child.

[Register here](#)

- **Supporting Your Child with Worries & Fears** – Practical advice for helping children manage anxiety and fears.

[Register here](#)

Every School Day Matters!

At Rosherville, we encourage all pupils to aim for at least 96% attendance to help them thrive in their learning, wellbeing, and friendships. Even occasional absences can add up, making it harder for children to keep up and feel confident. Together, let's make the most of every school day and give our children the best chance to succeed.

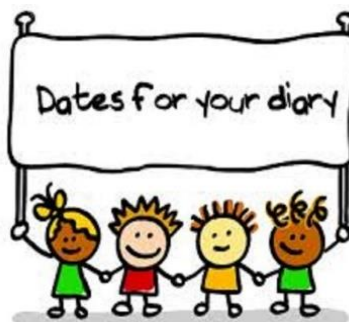


Our class attendance figures for this week are:

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Rauf	Dahl	Morpurgo	Dr. Seuss	Zephaniah	Donaldson
96%	94.1%	94%	93.8%	93%	91.8%



Term Dates



Term 6	
Monday 2 nd June	Term 6 starts – pupils back to school
Tuesday 3 rd June	Year 5 parent meeting for 11+
Friday 6 th June	Eid al Adha (if you would like to contribute food for our food tasting activity, please speak to Mrs Martin)
Friday 6 th June	Year 6 School Journey to Windmill Hill
Monday 9 th June	Year 6 return from school journey (estimated arrival time at school is 3pm)
Thursday 26 th June	Sports Day
Monday 30 th June – Friday 4 th July	Enterprise week
Friday 4 th July	Enterprise Summer Fair
Monday 7th July	School closed for staff training
Wednesday 9 th July	Trust Leavers Service at Rochester Cathedral (Year 6 pupils) – during the school day
Friday 11 th July	School Discos - more information to follow 3pm – 4pm – Years R, 1, 2 & 3 4:30pm – 5:30pm – Years 4, 5 & 6



Thursday 17 th July	Year 6 Play to parents and carers @ 2pm
Wednesday 23 rd July	Leavers Service and BBQ for Year 6 pupils and families (more information to follow) End of Term 6 @1:30pm (last day of this academic year)

Term 6 Activities

The timetable for Forest School and Swimming for Term 6 is shown below:

PE timetable Term 6	Class
Monday	Morpurgo, Zephaniah and Donaldson
Tuesday	Dahl, Rauf and Seuss
Thursday	Donaldson

Forest School Term 6	Class
Friday	Donaldson Dahl

Swimming Term 6	Class
Thursday	Year 3 and Year 4 Zephaniah

We hope you have a lovely Bank holiday weekend and a great half term holiday. We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 2nd June.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Martin

Headteacher