

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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## FROM MR RARATY



Reading is the key to everything! It allows the children to access every area of the curriculum, be it maths, questions in science or completing a piece of research for a history topic. It also allows us to escape to other worlds, helps to relax and calm our minds and can bring great pleasure. That is why reading is so important.

To recognise the impact of reading on overall learning the Department for Education and the Local Authority are making reading the centre of their plans for education recovery following the pandemic. Essex County Council will shortly be launching the Essex Year of Reading with more details to follow.

Academically, the expectation is at the end of Key Stage 1 children should be reading 90 words a minute. At Key Stage 2 the expectation is around 110 words per minute.

Over the last year we have introduced various programmes and schemes to recover some of the delayed learning due to the pandemic. We have seen really good progress from Accelerated Reader, the Herts reading fluency project and the incentives to read have been popular.

Reading at home is a vital part.

Researchers in the United States who had looked at the impact of parents reading with their children and quoted the following figures:

Here's how many words kids would have heard by the time they were 5 years old: Never read to, 4,662 words; 1-2 times per week, 63,570 words; 3-5 times per week, 169,520 words; daily, 296,660 words; and five books a day, 1,483,300 words.

Just 10 minutes a day makes a huge difference.

### Reading Crew

If you have any spare time we are looking for volunteers to join our Reading Crew to support children to reach the expected levels. If you are interested please contact Miss Raban at [miss.raban@rodingsprimary.co.uk](mailto:miss.raban@rodingsprimary.co.uk).

Let's make 2022 a Rodings Reading year too!

## UPCOMING DATES

**Friday 11th Feb**

*Swimming Gala*

## HOUSE POINTS

**690**

**DE VERES**

**845**

**HROTHA**

**936**

**MANDEVILLES**

**857**

**TILTY**

# PENGUINS & PARROTS TRIP TO COLCHESTER CASTLE



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# TERM DATES 2022-23

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 = Schooldays  
 = Weekends

 = School holidays

 = Bank holidays

## RODINGS INSET DAYS FOR 2022/23:

Thursday 1st September 2022

Friday 2nd September 2022

Monday 5th December 2022

Monday 20th February 2023

Monday 5th June 2023

This means that the academic year for children starts on Monday 5th September 2022.

# PHYSICS

## THROUGH PHOTOGRAPHY



### LIKE THESE PHOTOS?

Forces are all around you but do you think you could actually capture one in a photograph? Why not have a try?

### COMPETITION

Take a photograph that shows a force. This could be anything from a cat jumping, a plane in the sky or a falling ball. The opportunities are endless! The more creative, the better!

Once you have your photograph, please write a sentence to explain why you have taken the photograph and what force is being shown.

### THERE ARE PRIZES!

There will be prizes given out for winning entries. A prize will be awarded to the winning entry in EYFS, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2!

### BUT THAT'S NOT ALL...

The winning entry from each Key Stage will be put forward for an inter-school competition with 7 other local schools and the winner will be given an even bigger prize!

## PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Can you capture a force in a photo?

**DEADLINE**  
**21st February**  
**2022**

### HOW TO ENTER

You can either print your photograph and your supporting sentence and hand it to your teacher or email to:

[mrs.oakley@rodingsprimary.co.uk](mailto:mrs.oakley@rodingsprimary.co.uk)

### LOCAL SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING

Great Dunmow Primary,  
St Mary's Primary,  
Felsted Primary,  
Fitch Green Academy,  
Stebbing Primary,  
Rodings Primary,  
Thaxted Primary and  
Great Easton Primary.

With thanks to the Ogden Trust who are funding the prizes!



making physics  
matter

# Menu

Week commencing 7th February 2022

## MONDAY

BBQ chicken served with rice,  
sweetcorn & salad bar



BBQ Quorn pieces served with rice,  
sweetcorn & salad bar

*for dessert*

Chocolate or strawberry mousse

## TUESDAY

Homemade Pasta bolognaise served with  
garlic bread & salad bar



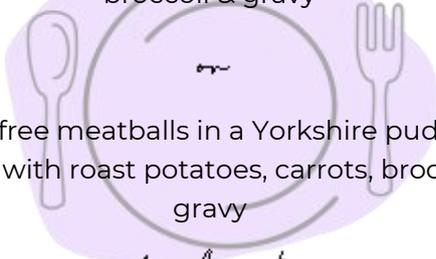
Homemade Veggie pasta bolognaise served  
with garlic bread & salad bar

*for dessert*

Pancakes & sauce

## WEDNESDAY

Shredded pork in a Yorkshire  
pudding served with roast potatoes, carrots,  
broccoli & gravy



Meat-free meatballs in a Yorkshire pudding  
served with roast potatoes, carrots, broccoli &  
gravy

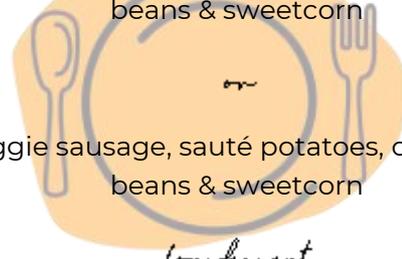
*for dessert*

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## THURSDAY

*Big Breakfast*

Sausage, bacon, sauté potatoes, omelette,  
beans & sweetcorn



Veggie sausage, sauté potatoes, omelette,  
beans & sweetcorn

*for dessert*

Chocolate brownie

## FRIDAY

Chicken chunks served with chips, baked  
beans, sweetcorn & salad bar



Veggie fingers served with chips, baked beans,  
sweetcorn & salad bar

*for dessert*

Cupcake

## THE COOKING POT

