



Autumn 6 - Newsletter - 09/10/2025

Message from Mrs Sherwood

Tomorrow is ***Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day***. We will be having a non-uniform day and asking the children to wear something yellow, it could be as little as their socks or a hairband. The usual non-uniform day rules apply; children will need sensible shoes to allow them to move around school safely and be able to play in the playground. They will also need a coat. We are not collecting money on this occasion; it is just to raise awareness around mental health to support children's wellbeing on World Mental Health Day.

You may recall that we asked you to complete a questionnaire about **Smartphone Free Childhood**, which was devised by some parents from our school. The results from the survey can be found here: [Results](#)

The school curriculum includes regular teaching about online safety and appropriate online behaviour. In the summer, the KS2 children will be engaged in debates about the use of smartphones.

Next week we will be opening school to prospective parents, if you know of anyone with a child who will be reception or nursery age next year, please encourage them to come along or make an appointment at another time. Please see the poster below for more information.



Early Years Open Events

Is your child starting nursery or reception
in September 2026?

Come and see our amazing school, book your visit today

Monday 13th to Friday 17th October
Morning and afternoon sessions available each day

Education and wrap-around care 7.45am-6pm with school holiday care



[Click here to book your visit](#) or call us on 01763 243392

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What's on

Day & Date	Time	Event & Year
Thursday 9.10.2025	am - 3.15-3.45pm 3.15-4.15pm	Year 4 Recorder club Years 3 & 4 attending Cross Country event at KJAR – non-parent event Year 3 Recorder club in the school hall – collect from dining hall Lab Tots in Dove classroom
Friday 10.10.2025	- pm 3.15-4.15pm 4.15-5.15pm 5.45-6.45pm	Non-school uniform day – Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day Flu vaccinations for Reception classes and those children who were absent on 26/9 It's Your Cue Drama club for Year 4s (this week this club will take place in a classroom) PTA Disco for Nursery to Year 1 PTA Disco for Years 2, 3 & 4
Monday 13.10.2025	9.30-10.30am 1.30-2.30pm	Nursery & Reception Open Event for prospective parents Nursery & Reception Open Event for prospective parents
Tuesday 14.10.2025	9.30-10.30am 3.15-4.15pm 3.45-4.15pm	Nursery & Reception Open Event for prospective parents Multi Skills Sports Club Nursery & Reception Open Event for prospective parents
Wednesday 15.10.2025	- 9.30-10.30am 1.30-2.30pm 3.15-4.15pm	Piano & Guitar lessons Nursery & Reception Open Event for prospective parents Nursery & Reception Open Event for prospective parents Outdoor Project club
Thursday 16.10.2025	9.30-10.30am am 3.15-3.45pm 3.15-4.15pm 3.45-4.15pm	Nursery & Reception Open Event for prospective parents Year 4 Recorder club Year 3 Recorder club in the school hall – collect from dining hall Lab Tots in Dove classroom Nursery & Reception Open Event for prospective parents
Friday 17.10.2025	9.30-10.30am 1.30-2.30pm	Nursery & Reception Open Event for prospective parents Nursery & Reception Open Event for prospective parents
Monday 20.10.2025	-	Learning logs return to school
Tuesday 21.10.2025	3.15-4.15pm	Multi Skills Sports Club
Wednesday 22.10.2025	- 3.00pm 3.15-4.15pm 6.00-7.00pm	Piano & Guitar lessons PTA Uniform sale in the dining room Outdoor Project club Meeting for Reception parents – help your child to read and write
Thursday 23.10.2025	am 9.15am 3.15-3.45pm 3.15-4.15pm	Year 4 Recorder club Harvest assembly – parents/carers of Year 4 invited to attend Year 3 Recorder club in the school hall – collect from dining hall Lab Tots in Dove classroom
Friday 24.10.2025	-	School closed to pupils
Monday 27.10.2025 to Friday 31.10.2025		HALF TERM

FLU - Nasal spray immunisations - Tomorrow

Vaccination UK will be visiting school again tomorrow to undertake flu immunisations for children in Reception and for those children that were absent from Years 1-4. The immunisation is a nasal spray. Please note, your child will only receive the vaccine IF you have registered your child with Vaccination UK and given consent.

If you did not give consent for the original date of the vaccinations but now you would like your child to have the vaccine. Please complete the link below. Your child will then be added to the list for tomorrow.

<https://bed.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/hertfordshire>

Please contact Vaccination UK with any queries that you may have by sending an email to:

Hertfordshire@v-uk.co.uk or by calling **01462 427 008**.

Message from the School office

When corresponding with the school office via email, please ensure that your child's name and class are in the subject line of the email so that the office can deal with your email quickly and efficiently. Many thanks.

We have heard from Hertfordshire County Council that there will be no Holiday Food Voucher Scheme for benefits related FSM Children, at half term. Should you require additional support, please check [support with cost-of-living](#) page on the Hertfordshire County Council website.

PTA News



FIREWORKS

As we have at previous Firework events, there will be hot drinks and snacks available. But this year we will also be selling soup and rolls to keep everyone warm.

We still need volunteers for the fireworks display.

Each adult volunteer will also get free entry into the display!

Please be aware all under 18s must be supervised by an adult during the display, so please consider this when agreeing to volunteer on the night.

If you can volunteer please join this group.

https://chat.whatsapp.com/Bmu5zrLTS5JHm5I6fNb33X?mode=ems_copy_t

DISCO

You can still buy tickets for the disco tomorrow night.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help at the disco. We have more people offering to help than ever before, so that is wonderful.

Don't forget that the disco is cashless and all children will have £3 to spend on their wristbands. A list of what is available will be sent out to whatsapp groups so that you can discuss with them what they will be able to buy.

Tickets for fireworks and the disco can be purchased at <http://www.pta-events.co.uk/iwfspta>

It's that time of year again — some of our parents are taking part in the Swimathon next Sunday evening, raising funds for both our school and The Royston Rotary Trust Fund. If you'd like to show your support, please visit our JustGiving page: 🙌 <https://www.justgiving.com/page/iwfs-swim> Thank you so much for your generosity and encouragement! 💙

Bridge over A505 - message from Cllr Matt Barnes

Royston and South Cambs councillors are campaigning together to create a new public right of way between Royston and Bassingbourn. **Can you help?** Take a look at our new **letter-writing instructions** to see how you can get involved: <https://adambostanci.mycouncillor.org.uk/2025/10/05/opening-up-the-ivy-farm-bridge-route-over-the-a505-can-you-help-letter-writing-instructions/>

Thank you for your support! The campaign was also recently featured in the Royston Crow: [Royston: Councillors call for public access to A505 bridge | Royston Crow](#)

Kind regards,

Cllr. Matt Barnes (Liberal Democrats), Royston Meridian ward – North Herts Council - 07774 730992

Extra curricular activities/Events in and around Royston/Useful information



OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS

HARRY POTTER DAY
WIZARDS OF THE WILD: A HARRY POTTER ADVENTURE

NERF BUSHCRAFT
CLASSIC CHILDHOOD FUN

MISSION SPOOKTACULAR

NO SCREENS

HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREAT

CAMPFIRE TREATS

CHILDHOOD MEMORIES

AMAZING ACTIVITIES
TEAMWORK CREATIVE GREEN SPACES
MAKING FRIENDS

BOOK OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS NOW

"0% SCREEN TIME, 100% FRESH AIR, FUN, GAMES & ADVENTURING WITH NEW FRIENDS"

★★★★★

The Outdoors Project



The Outdoors Project
OFSTED REGISTERED

OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS

STUDLANDS RISE FIRST SCHOOL, ROYSTON

MONDAY 27 OCTOBER
BUSHCRAFT ADVENTURE: SURVIVAL SKILLS & CAMPFIRE TREATS
A bushcraft adventure all about fire - how to make it, cook on it & respect its wild power. Discover ancient fire making techniques, learn how to spark & build your own campfire, cook up tasty seasonal treats, build a shelter & take on survival challenges just like wilderness explorers. A full day of hands-on bushcraft, outdoor skills & discovery - perfect for curious kids who love nature & adventure!

TUESDAY 28 OCTOBER
WAY OF THE VIKING: VIKING CRAFT, GAMES & CHALLENGES!
Live the Viking way for a day! Join your clan, take a Viking name, create your own Viking pottery, learn how to build an effective shield wall, & then switch from craftsman to warrior as you rise to the challenge with ancient Viking games Kubbs & Jomswillikert!

WEDNESDAY 29 OCTOBER
WIZARDS OF THE WILD: A HARRY POTTER ADVENTURE
Bringing the magic of Harry Potter to life! Join this adventure where imagination runs wild. Brew bubbling potions in Potions Class, whistle & enchant your very own wand & join the Quidditch tournament for the house cup. A spellbinding day of fun, creativity, & adventure

THURSDAY 30 OCTOBER
NERF: MISSION SPOOKTACULAR
Are you ready? Forage for resources, defend your vault, rescue teammates, & take on the ultimate Nerf survival adventure with epic games like Swamp Rescue, Zombie Apocalypse & Hunger Games! An action-packed outdoor day full of action, fun, strategy & teamwork - with a spooky twist! (Age 6+ recommended)

FRIDAY 31 OCTOBER
ULTIMATE HALLOWEEN ADVENTURE: TRICKS, TREATS & CAMPFIRE FUN!
Get ready for the spookiest, silliest & scariest day of the holidays! Make gooey slime, decorate Day of the Dead sugar skulls, brew Mayan hot chocolate over the campfire & join a zombie scavenger hunt. All topped off by a visit to the Witch, Goblin, & Dog Troll to solve riddles, crack the Halloween mystery... & earn sweet rewards. A mix of hands-on fun, laughter & imagination!

Book for 1 day or multiple days. Find out more at www.theoutdoorsproject.co.uk

CAMPFIRE COOK
"BEST HOLIDAY CLUB AROUND!"
★★★★★

NERF SHARP SHOOTER
"IT'S A LIFESAVER FOR WORKING PARENTS!"
★★★★★

VIKINGS RULE
"LOTS OF GOOD OLD FASHIONED GET DIRTY PLAY!"
★★★★★

ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE
"THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS!"
★★★★★

GIRLS ONLY FOOTBALL CAMP

October Half Term

A fun-filled day of football,
games, matches and new
friends! Open to all abilities.

**30th October
2025**

LAYSTON SCHOOL BUNTINGFORD
9AM - 3PM £25 PER DAY



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roystontown.ktckts.com



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RTFC FREAKY FRIDAY

**FRIDAY 31ST
OCTOBER**

GARDEN WALK
9:00 - 3:00 PM
£25

JOIN US FOR:
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FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS
DODGEBALL
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E: [ALFIE@ROYSTONTOWNFC.CO.UK](mailto:alfie@roystontownfc.co.uk)

OCTOBER HOLIDAY COURSE



ICKNIELD WALK MULTI-SPORTS CAMP

TUES / WEDS / THURS

28TH - 29TH - 30TH

9AM - 3PM

**£25 PER DAY
OR
£65 FOR ALL 3 DAYS**



AGES 5 - 12

SCAN ME

OR VISIT
[ROYSTONTOWNFC.KTCKTS.COM](https://roystontownfc.ktckts.com)



OCTOBER HOLIDAY COURSE



KJAR FOOTBALL CAMP

TUES / WEDS / THURS

28TH - 29TH - 30TH

9AM - 3PM

**£25 PER DAY
OR
£65 FOR ALL 3 DAYS**



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STARSHIP DISCOVERY



Holiday club for primary school age children

- ★ Go on a Space Adventure with the Watt Family!
- ★ + Games
- ★ Crafts
- ★ Puppets
- ★ Bible Stories
- ★ Songs
- ★ And Loads of Fun!

Dates: 27th – 31st October
Time: 9.45am – 12.30pm
Cost: FREE (donations welcome)
Name of Venue: Royston Methodist Church
Contact: email club@royston-methodist.org.uk




Draught Busting Workshop

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or go to roystonmuseum.org.uk for more information



Wednesday 22 October

2 - 4.30pm
or
6 - 8.30pm

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3:45-5:15pm, Fridays

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5:30-7pm, Wednesdays & Thursdays
4-7pm, Fridays

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Join our SPOOKTACULAR half-term workshop

Calling all witches, wizards, enchanted fairies, vampires, spooks, Halloween fans and fancy dress lovers....

Join us for a fun Halloween themed holiday club filled with dancing, acting, singing, games, crafts and more!

THURSDAY 30TH OCTOBER

Ages 4-5 years
9:30-11:30am
£17

Stage Right Studios, Lumen Road, Royston

Early bird discount if booked by end of September!



HALLOWEEN KPOP DEMON HUNTERS

HALF TERM PERFORMING ARTS WORKSHOP

THURSDAY 30TH OCTOBER
STAGE RIGHT STUDIOS, ROYSTON
9.30PM

AGES 5 (YR 1) PLUS
SIBLING DISCOUNTS

£30 EARLY BIRD RATES (UNTIL END OF SEPT)



'Coats4Kids'



Royston Fire Station are taking part in an initiative in Hertfordshire which is called 'Coats4Kids'.

This involves people donating spare/outgrown coats to Royston Fire station which then get taken away by the charity and washed.

Then the fire station will hold a two-hour event over a weekend at the end of October / November where families can come and pick up a coat for their child.

On the day the coats will be laid out and there is no judgement at all , the crew will also get the fire engine out and make it part of the coat collection so it will be very relaxed.

We recognise that in Hertfordshire and across the county people are struggling and by taking part in this Initiative we can make a positive direct impact on our local families.

Help us to raise money for our school



Raise funds for us for FREE

with **easyfundraising**

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Weblinks that can help you

[NSPCC](#) - Online safety.

[Smartphone Free Childhood](#)

[Angels Support \(ASD & ADHD\)](#)

Herts CC [Relationship advice](#)

[Families Feeling Safe](#)

[NESSIE - Positive Mental Health](#) - Lots of talks and courses to help you and your child with their mental health.

[Supporting Family Links](#) - Promoting Strong Family Relationships with children up to the age of 12, lots of online courses to help.

Herts CC Cost of living resources - [cost-of-living-flashcard \(the-grid.org.uk\)](http://the-grid.org.uk/cost-of-living-flashcard)

North Herts Family Support Services - www.hertsfamilycentres.org

www.supportinglinks.co.uk - Workshops/training courses for parents/carers of children (up to age 25).

BeeZee Bodies - www.beezeebodies.com

[North Herts Special Provision updates](#) - look here for SEN and Behaviour support

[Free School Meals](#)

Neurodiversity Support Hub

Lumi Nova - Fun digital therapy for childhood anxiety - <https://luminova.app/>

Mind Hertfordshire Network - <https://www.withyouth.org/>