



Mrs Scripps' Scribbles

We have had a great start to the summer term. During Monday's INSET Day staff focused on the importance of clear and consistent school routines, developing strong relationships with the students and our school values. On Wednesday and Friday, there has been much awe and wonder in the hall as Year 6 & 7 students and staff have come face to face with some wonderful creatures. Students and Mr Grist have been delighted with the new computers in the Palmen Suite. After school clubs have already started, with students enjoying some good old fashioned games such as 40-40, American Football and d 0-5k running.

School Values and Vision

We have been reviewing and updating our school values and vision. Here is our new values statement:

At Ralph Sadleir, we understand that our students are growing up in an ever-changing world. Our School community will prepare them for these challenges with a focus on communicating with confidence, determination, kindness and respect. Our commitment to responsibility ensures every member of our community feels empowered to make positive contributions within school and beyond.

Our new tagline is:

Students of Today, Citizens of Tomorrow

Look out for more information about our values and vision in future newsletters.

Misuse of Social Media at home

At Ralph Sadleir School, we pride ourselves on fostering a supportive and respectful community, both within and outside the classroom. We've noticed, however, that social media can sometimes be a challenging space for young people, and we've recently had a few instances of students facing difficulties due to the misuse of these platforms. This includes some situations where unkind words and negative interactions have occurred.

We believe open dialogue between you and your children about their online interactions can lead to more positive experiences. It's a great opportunity to discuss the power of words and the importance of being kind and thoughtful online.

Please talk with your child about their online activities in a way that encourages them to share their experiences and understand the importance of digital respect.

At school we are giving the following message and we would be grateful if you could reinforce this at home:

- Be kind and respectful to others online, just like we are in person.
- Choose words wisely and avoid language that could hurt others.
- Speak up about any uncomfortable online situations to a parent or trusted adult in school

All of these issues have involved our Year 5 and 6 students who are using SnapChat or WhatsApp. Click on the following links for some useful information:

[Parent tips about SnapChat](#)

[Parent tips about WhatsApp](#)

We are currently investigating some external training for students and parents about safety on the internet and appropriate use of social media. We will let you know when we have managed to book something suitable.

Date	Who's involved	Event
28th April—3rd May	Year 8	Trip to France
6th May	All students and parents	Bank Holiday Monday
7th May	All parents	Parent Forum (Safeguarding) 9.00—10.00 a.m.
13th May	Year 6 students	KS2 SATS: English grammar, punctuation and spelling
14th May	Year 6 students	KS2 SATS: Reading
15th May	Year 6 students	KS2: Maths Papers 1 & 2
16th May	Year 6 students	KS2 Maths Paper 3
16th May	Year 5 Parents	Moving up to Year 6 Meeting 5.00 p.m.
21st May	Year 8 students	HVP1 Vaccine

Please note any changes or additions are in red

Summer 2nd Half Term

3rd—7th June	Year 6 students	Trip to PGL
7th—9th June	All students	The Big Help Out Community Service
11th June	Selected students	House Athletics
12th June	Year 7 students	Stanborough Lakes—Water Sports Day
12th June	5Teresa students and parents	5Teresa Class Assembly 9.00 a.m.
13th June	New Parents	Welcome to Ralph Sadleir Meeting 5.00 p.m.
19th June	Year 8 students	Thorpe Park
20th June	5Pearson students and parents	5Pearson Class Assembly 9.00 a.m.
20th June	Year 7 Parents	Moving up to Year 8 Meeting 5.00 p.m.
26th June	All parents	Parent Forum (subject tbc) 2.30—3.30 p.m.
27th June	All parents	Reports Home
27th June	5Parks students and parents	5Parks Class Assembly 9.00 a.m.
4th July	All students and parents	Sports Day
5th July	6John students and parents	6John Class Assembly 9.00 a.m.
9th July	All students and parents	Sports Day Reserve—if cancelled on 4th due to weather!
10th July	Year 8 Students	Careers' Day
11th July	All students	Transition/Moving Up Day
12th July	6Radcliffe students and parents	6Radcliffe Class Assembly 9.00 a.m.
15th July	All students	Olympics Cross Curricular Day with Olympian Athletes
16th July	Freman House students and parents	Prize Giving (2.30 p.m.)
17th July	Sadleir House students and parents	Prize Giving (2.30 p.m.)
18th July	6George students and parents	6George Class Assembly 9.00 a.m.
18th July	Salisbury House students and parents	Prize Giving (2.30 p.m.)
19th July	Wellington House students and parents	Prize Giving (2.30 p.m.)
23rd July	All students and parents	End of term (1.30 p.m.)

Term Dates 2024/2025

Autumn Term 2024

Spring Term 2025

Summer Term 2025

2nd September: INSET Day	6th January: INSET Day	22nd April: Start of term
3rd September : Start of term	7th January: Start of term	26th—30th May: Half Term Holiday
28th Oct—1st Nov: Half Term Holiday	17th—21st February: Half Term Holiday	18th July: End of term
6th December : Occasional Day	4th April: End of Term	21st—23rd July: Allocated INSET Days*
20th December: End of term	7th—21st April—Easter Holidays	* Twilight sessions throughout the year.
23rd Dec— 3rd Jan: Christmas Holidays		