



Friday 4th
September 2026

Rice Lane Primary School and Nursery

"We are respectful, resilient and together we achieve"



It has been wonderful to welcome all of our children and families back to school this week and to see the school full of smiles, excitement and enthusiasm for learning once again. We would also like to extend a very warm welcome to the new children and families who have joined the Rice Lane community. We are looking forward to getting to know you and working together throughout the year ahead. As always, if you need any help, support or information, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are always happy to help and are committed to working in partnership with our families to ensure every child has a happy, successful and enjoyable experience at school.

Playgrounds:

The children have thoroughly enjoyed exploring our fantastic outdoor spaces this week. Our children have been making the most of the new EYFS playground, which is already supporting their creativity, imagination and physical development through play. Across the school, children have also been excited to use the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 playgrounds, where the new markings have provided lots of opportunities for active play, games and social interaction. It has been wonderful to see the playgrounds full of energy, laughter and children enjoying being active with their friends.

Weekly Attendance

Class	Attendance	Minutes Late	Class	Attendance	Minutes Late
Rose	98.3%	0 Minutes	4B	95.1%	1 Minutes
Daffodil	94.7%	150 Minutes	4H	94.4%	165 Minutes
Sunflower	98.1%	0 Minutes	4P	94.7%	0 Minutes
1C	95.7%	0 Minutes	5S	95.1%	0 Minutes
1W	93.5%	0 Minutes	5ES	96.9%	108 Minutes
1K	99.3%	73 Minutes	5H	94.1%	30 Minutes
2Q	92.6%	6 Minutes	6K	94.7%	23 Minutes
2L	90.7%	168 Minutes	6O	85.4%	202 Minutes
3M	93.8%	98 Minutes	6C	94.0%	0 Minutes
3DB	93.1%	17 Minutes	Nursery MTW	66.7%	0 Minutes
3B	100%	3 Minutes	Nursery WTF	95.0%	70 Minutes
Oak	96.7%	55 Minutes	Nursery 30hrs	95.2%	0 Minutes
Academic Year to date	94.6%		Week ending 04.09.26	94.6%	

What Does Good Attendance Look Like?

Every Day Counts		
100%	0 days missed	Excellent
99%	2 days/ 10 lessons missed	Very Good
97%	1 week/ 25 lessons missed	Good
95%	2 weeks/ 50 lessons missed	Beginning to make it hard to make progress - Early Intervention - FPN - Pattern Spotting
94%-91%	11-17 days/ 55-85 lessons missed	Cause for concern - Early Intervention - FPN - Pattern Spotting
90%	4 weeks/ 100 lessons missed	Persistently Absent - Additional targeted support
80%	7.5 weeks/ 190 lessons missed	This much absence over 5 years equates to 1 full year missed
50%	19 weeks/ 485 lessons missed	Severely Absent Work with LA - Intensity support

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EYFS/KS1	1K
Lower KS2	3B
Upper KS2	SES

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Meet The Teacher

We are excited to invite you all to an informal 'Meet the teacher' session (see the dates below for each year group), where you will have the opportunity to get to know your child's teacher and gain a brief overview of the curriculum for the upcoming school year.

This meeting is designed to be an informal introduction, allowing us to meet with you and discuss how we can work together to support your child's learning journey. We will also provide a brief outline of the curriculum and give you an idea of the activities your child will be engaging in over the coming months.

Please note that this will not be a formal parent-teacher meeting, but simply an opportunity for teachers to introduce themselves to parents. We look forwards to meeting you and working together to make this a successful and enjoyable school year for your child.

Each meeting will take place at 9.15am.

Monday 7th September	Tuesday 8th September	Wednesday 9th September
Year 1	Year 3	Year 2
Year 4		Year 5

Allergy update

As an allergy aware school, the health, safety and wellbeing of all our children is our highest priority. From this point forward, we will no longer be able to distribute cakes, sweets or other food treats that are brought into school celebrate birthdays.

We understand that birthdays are a special occasion and appreciate that some children may feel disappointed by this change. However, with an increasing number of pupils having food allergies, intolerances and other dietary requirements, it is important that we take every possible step to ensure the safety of all members of our school community.

If your child would still like to mark their birthday in school, we would welcome non-food alternatives such as stickers or another small non-edible item.

We are also asking if parents and cares could ensure that lunchboxes and food containers are clearly labelled with the child's name. We also ask that children are reminded not to share, swap or offer food, drinks or snacks to other pupils.

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Extra Curricular Clubs

Clubs will start week commencing Monday 7th September and will run until the week ending Friday 16th October. Clubs will run from 3.15pm to 4.15pm and collection will be from the Brockenhurst Road entrance.

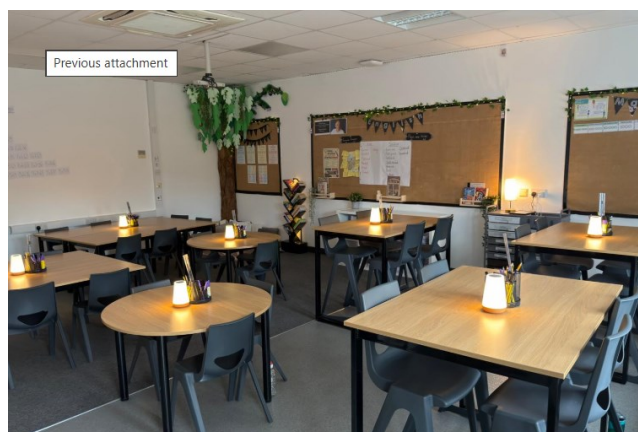
Year 5 Ukelele club will start on Monday 15th September.

Day	Club	Teacher
Monday	Year 5 ukelele	Mr Smith
Tuesday	Year 1/2 football	Mr Gilliland
	Year 6 boys	Mr Kendrew/
Wednesday	Year 3/4 tag rugby	Mr Gilliland
Thursday	Year 5/6 netball	Mr Gilliland
	Year 5/6 girls foot-	Mr Quirk

A wonderful first week back in 6C!

We have really enjoyed our first week back in our new, neutral and calming classroom. The new space has brought a tranquil energy and lots of positive vibes to the classroom, creating a lovely environment for learning.

We have really focused when working this week and have settled back into our routines beautifully. It has been wonderful to see everyone working hard, enjoying their learning and making such a positive start to the new term.



PE Timetable—Autumn Term 1

Children may come into school wearing their school PE kits on the days they have PE. Children **should not** wear football kits or other sports wear for PE.

Swimming kit is swimming costume/swim shorts/trunks (no bikinis), swim cap, goggles and a towel.

On swimming days children may come into school in their school PE kit. Please provide the swimming kit in a waterproof or plastic bag.

Year 6 will have their swimming sessions on Tuesdays. Lessons will start on Tuesday 8th September.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 1	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Oak
Year 3	Year 2		Year 4	Year 3
	Year 4		Year 6	Year 5
	Year 5			
	Year 6 swimming			

Term dates for academic year 2026/2027 can be found on our website at the following link:

<https://ricelaneprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/Term-Dates-2026-2027.pdf>

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Year 7 applications—September 2027

We would like to remind our Year 6 families that the online application portal for Year 7 places for September 2027 is now open.

Applications must be made through the Local Authority where you live (your home authority), regardless of which secondary schools you wish to apply for.

The closing date for applications is 31st October 2026. We strongly encourage all parents and carers to submit their application before this deadline, as late applications may affect the allocation of school places.

To help you make an informed decision, we recommended attending as many secondary school open events as possible. As schools share their open evening dates with us, we will pass this information on to families.

Further information can be found on the links below:

Liverpool Council: [Liverpool Admissions](#)

Sefton Council: [Sefton Admissions](#)

If you require any support with the application process, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Sharkey, and we will be happy to help.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Game4Hope: A Match for Merseyside

This unique charity football event taking place at Everton's new Hill Dickinson Stadium on Saturday 26th September, bringing together football legends, celebrities, musicians and the people of Merseyside for an unforgettable day of entertainment.

Tickets and further information are available via Everton Football Club's ticketing website. Use the code: G4H26091 at checkout for tickets from £10 for children and £15 for adults.



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