



It has been another busy half term! This week the children have loved learning through a collaborative learning week based on the theme of 'Tyne Tees and Wear'. The children have explored the different local rivers and have especially enjoyed developing their map reading skills.

I hope you all have a lovely half term break!

Mrs Price

Easy Fundraising

Did you know that if you use **#easyfundraising** when making online purchases FORPS gets money, for free?

When you're shopping online visit the website first then choose a retailer. When you checkout they will donate to our cause!

Simply sign up now by clicking on the link below. You'll need to provide a few details to set up your profile then you can shop away.

So far £1117.02 has been raised for the school!

www.easyfundraising.org.uk



RPS Website

We are delighted that we have a new school website! Check it out at:

[Rickleton Primary School - Home](#)

Did you know that in **one school year...**

Honeyguide

If your child is late every day by...



5
minutes



10
minutes



15
minutes



20
minutes



30
minutes

Your child would have lost approximately...

3.5
days from school

7
days from school

10
days from school

14.5
days from school

22
days from school

Pupil Appointments

There has been an increase in the number of children attending appointments during the school day. Please ensure that any non-emergency appointments (e.g. dentist check-up, optician) are booked outside of the school day.

Attendance

Attendance and punctuality are so important for a child during their time in school. We do not authorise any term time holidays due to the impact they have. The attendance below is since the start of term.

Class	Attendance
Rising Rainbows	94.5%
Rainbow Nursery	95%
Ruby	97%
Berry	97%
Amber	97.1%
Coral	96.8%
Saffron	95.3%
Honey	97.3%
Emerald	98.1%
Mint	96.7%
Sapphire	96.3%
Teal	96.3%
Lilac	96.5%
Indigo	97.3%
Fuchsia	96.6%
Magenta	96.5%

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Parliament Visit

After writing to our local MP Sharon Hodgson, Georgia in Y4 was invited to visit the Houses of Parliament. She went to London on 7th January 2026 with her mum. Whilst there, Georgia had a tour of both the House of Commons and the House of Lords. Following this, Georgia was the only child to be in the audience of the Prime Minister's Question time. Georgia enjoyed listening to a heated debate about Greenland. After this, Georgia was invited for dinner with Sharon in the Houses of Parliament. Georgia visited her office and has been encouraged to write directly to the PM. What a fantastic experience for Georgia!



Festival of Languages

[Express Yourself: North East Festival of Languages](https://expressyourselfne.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/2026-FESTIVAL-FULL-PROGRAMME.pdf) is open for bookings for FREE activities and events from January up to 31st March, which make languages and cultures feel alive, relevant and accessible for children and young people aged 3 to 18 in schools, community schools and groups. Taking part in the Festival's in-person and online events, competitions, creative projects and classroom-ready activities, helps pupils build confidence, communication skills, curiosity and intercultural understanding - skills that matter for their future in an increasingly interconnected world.

expressyourselfne.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/2026-FESTIVAL-FULL-PROGRAMME.pdf

Y2 Singing Festival

Last week, Rickleton hosted the Year 2 singing festival called 'Infantasia', organised by the Sunderland Music Hub. This was a celebration of singing and five other schools from across Washington attended. Each school performed 2 songs to the other schools and we all took part in singing activities with Laura from the hub. It was a great event during Children's mental health week to promote the power of music to support well-being.





Are you a parent or grandparent who wants to get involved with raising funds for Rickleton Primary School?

Do you have a little spare time to help at school events?
Do you want to have a say in how funds are spent?

Friends of Rickleton Primary School (FORPS) would love to hear from you!



We are a small group of parents and grandparents who meet regularly to plan fund raising events for the school and to decide how money raised for the children is allocated.

Money has helped to fund school trips, resources, books, author visits, sports team uniforms and much much more. Whether you have a little or a lot of time to spare the group would be grateful for your support.

If you're interested in finding out more, join the Facebook page at www.facebook.com/FORPS or contact the school office on 0191 415 5050.



NSPCC Number Day

On Friday 6th February, we celebrated Number Day! The whole school spent the day exploring numbers and solving problems. In EYFS, the children enjoyed baking biscuits in the shape of coins and money.

