



# Ryecroft C.E. Middle School

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Dear Parent/ Carer,

At the end of our first full week back to school, I write to thank you for your support in ensuring the pupils settle back quickly into the academic year. We have had another busy week of learning and activities and it has been a pleasure to see pupils engaging with their learning and enjoying being back in school.

As you are aware we were inspected by Ofsted on Wednesday and Thursday this week. I am unable to share the outcome of our inspection until the report is published on the Ofsted website however I would like to extend thanks from David Buckle, the lead inspector, who commented on how polite, friendly and welcoming our pupils were. Many children spoke to the inspection team and as you can imagine had plenty to share about our school!

Mr Hall led a special assembly on Thursday morning for our Key Stage 2 pupils from the NSPCC as part of their 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' campaign. The assembly, which featured Ant and Dec, aims to help children learn and remember that:

- \*Every child has the right to speak out and stay safe.
- \*Making a child feel sad, scared or worried is never OK and is never their fault.
- \*If they are ever worried about anything they should tell an adult they trust.
- \*Whatever their worry, they can always call Childline on 0800 1111 or visit [childline.org.uk/kids](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/kids).

You can find more information about the campaign here: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/our-services/working-with-schools>

As a school we remembered and gave grateful thanks for the life of Queen Elizabeth II at a special service led by Rev. Gary in St Michael's church yesterday afternoon. Please may I remind you that school will be closed to all staff and children on Monday to reflect the national bank holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September.

I hope you have a pleasant weekend and thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

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