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'Excellence and happiness for all'



NEWSLETTER FOR ROSSETT ACRE – 26 June 2025

Forthcoming dates for your diary	
Fri 27 June	TOMORROW Walk to School Day
Fri 27 June	Y1 Visit to Harlow Carr
Fri 27 June	Miss Whiteley's class visiting Rossett Nature Reserve
Mon 30 June	Y5 & Y6 Sports Day at Rossett School 9.45-11.45am – Parents to arrive at 9.30am
Tues 1 July	Y2 Visit to Nell Bank
Weds 2 July	EYFS Taster Session 10-11am & 1.30-2.30pm
Weds 2 July	Year 6 production
Thurs 3 July	Year 6 production
Fri 4 July	Training Day – Children not in school
Weds 9 July	Whole school transitions
	Meet the new class teachers for September - 3.45pm-4.15pm
Fri 11 July	Feast on the Field
	Rossett's Got Talent
Mon 14 July	Reports out – via Arbor
Weds 16 July	Chance to discuss report with teachers if there are any concerns - 3.45-6pm
Weds 16 July	Year 6 Disco
Thurs 17 July	*NEW* Parent Picnic – Details to follow
Fri 18 July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly for Year 6 parents – 9.15am

Tomorrow is Walk to School Day, see if you can walk, scooter or cycle to school.















QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"The mind is everything. What you think, you become." - Buddha

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the children who received a certificate in last week's Celebration Assembly: Max W (AC), Alwyn H-G (SK/CN), Whole Class (RB), Ivy T (HH), Daisy A (ZM), Eleanor S (KM/BS), Luna G (EW), Erin B, Reggie H (AI/LS), Afie C (JW), Zak R (RI), Oscar B (TM).

ASSEMBLY

On Monday, we had a visit from Rev. Ben Askew who explained the importance of the Sun. He talked about the Summer Solstice being the longest day of the year and that many people gather to celebrate this event. He also talked about how important it is to stay safe in the sun.

SPORTS DAYS

So far we have held Sports days for Year 3/4 and EYFS/Y1/Y2 and both events have been successful. The children enjoyed showing off their sporting skills and it was wonderful to see so many determined but smiling faces.

We still have the Year 5/6 event to be held on Monday at Rossett School and then we will be able to get the final results out to you all.

A huge thank you to all the members of staff and Sporting Influence who have organised and supported the children in the events. A massive thank you to our wonderful Year 5 Sports Leaders and thank you to all the parents/carers/grandparents who came to support.

YEAR 4 - NELL BANK RESIDENTIAL

We currently have our Year 4 children at Nell Bank on their residential trip. I know they are having a lovely time and we will hear more about this next week.

ENCORE

Some of our musicians played and sang at Harrogate Grammar School's Encore music event on Wednesday. They worked really hard and enjoyed playing alongside the HGS students who also gave them some coaching. The orchestra (over 60 of them!) performed 'Ragtime Blue', 'Spiritual Blue', 'Make You Feel my Love' and 'Rock Around the Clock'. The choir sang 'Only You', 'Naughty', and a lovely round before we finished with everyone singing 'Together We Can Change the World' - a very moving way to end the day. It was amazing what they achieved in just one day and the concert at the end was truly spectacular.



YEAR 3 TRIP TO NATURE RESERVE

Last week, Year 3 JJ/CR went exploring in Rossett Nature Reserve. Mrs Sarah Sharp, from Rossett Nature Reserve Committee, supported the children identifying the creatures in the pond. The children were buzzing, sharing knowledge of their finds including pond snails and efts (young newts). Teddy even spotted the prestigious Great Crested Newt! The children (and adults!) learnt so much about pond life.

We also went adventuring in the reserve, identifying trees and wildflowers. They drew some magnificent maps of their journey through the reserve, creating their own symbols.

A huge thank you to Sarah and our team of parent helpers, Mrs Jauncey, Mrs Forbes, Mrs Clement, Miss Rollo and Mrs Khan for giving up their time to come with us. We had a great morning.



An action shot catching wind insects!



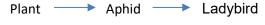
Identifying pond creatures with Sarah

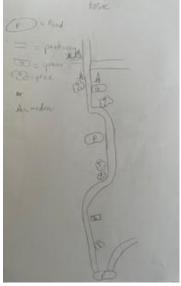


Can you spot the food chain?



Pond dipping





Map of our journey through the reserve

YEAR 6 ROUNDERS COMPETITION

"Children from Year 6 went to Rossett Sports Centre to play in a rounders tournament against other schools. There were some great bowlers, strikers and fielders: our team was packed with all-rounders. Every school was really competitive and so were we. Mrs Wilcox did really well with inviting everyone, setting up and running the event. Other local primary schools competed with us and did really well, particularly Oatlands, who eventually triumphed. We came in last place but still had a lot of fun. All the Rossett Acre players did really well and we couldn't have done it without each one of them. Although we didn't come first, we still got to play and show off our skills and talents in the game - we all did the best we could.

Written by Phoebe in Mr Marshall's class."



SMART PHONE FREE CHILDHOOD

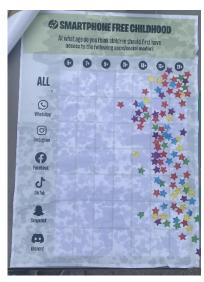
The Smartphone Free Childhood stall at the Summer Fair was a real success will lots of interest and lots of people signing up to the Smartphone free childhood pact and the Rossett Acre community WhatsApp group.

A survey was also carried out and the response was overwhelmingly in favour for Smartphone free childhood from the Rossett Acre community. Feedback from parents and carers showed that they felt reassured to know that they weren't alone in their concerns about this. If you are interested in this and want to know more then:

- Sign the pact and join other parents at Rossett Acre in delaying smartphones and social media. It takes 30 seconds and might just change the world! It's all about strength in numbers if your child knows that other children in their class won't be getting a smartphone for a few years either, the peer pressure instantly dissolves. You can see how many others at Rossett Acre and your child's class have also signed on the live
- leaderboards https://www.smartphonefreechildhood.org/parent-pact
- Rossett Acre Smartphone Free Childhood WhatsApp group- A great way to connect with likeminded parents at our school, share ideas, and build momentum locally https://chat.whatsapp.com/KYn869yF16GAUgs3RZILuK (also see QR code attached)
- Resources for parents (including lots of great alternatives to Smartphones) can be found https://www.smartphonefreechildhood.org/resources-for-parents







ROSSETT'S GOT TALENT

Our annual talent show is back! Rossett's Got Talent will take place in July. Each class will have a showcase of the talent in their class, the acts can be a celebration of any skill or ability, such as dance, singing, musical instrument, sport, artwork, magic, comedy.... Be creative! All participants receive 10 house points. Application forms will be sent home on Friday. Additional copies can be requested from your class teacher or speak to Mrs Vlack. One act from each class will be chosen to go through to the Key Stage Celebration assembly on July 11th. We look forward to seeing the showcase of talent we have here at school.

PUPIL REPORT FORMAT

This week a letter was sent out regarding the reporting arrangements starting in September. If you haven't read the letter, it can be found on our website under Whole School Letters: https://www.rossettacreprimary.co.uk/latest/letters/

ATTENDANCE

MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

Attendance 20 June 2025 to 26 June 2025: 95.98%

Number of pupils late at least once this week: 5

Remember: The gates open at 8.40pm and school starts promptly at 8.50am.

Today's attendance is 96.9%.

ECO - TIP

Recycle old clothes - donate, adjust or repair your old clothes rather than throwing them away

SUMMER FAIR ROUNDUP

Our Summer Fair on Saturday was a huge success and the PTA is thrilled to report that the event raised over £3k!! We will be able to share the official final number before the end of term.

Thank you to our incredible sponsors and volunteers on the day. We cannot stress enough how important parental support is for these events – so a huge thank you to everyone that helped both on the day and in the planning and organising of the event.

The PTA is always working to make improvements, we are aware that there were some issues with the prize table format and thank you for your patience with this. We will address this for next time. So that we can continue to improve and understand what we did right and wrong, please do take a moment to fill out the following form https://surveymars.com/q/NNR25VBiz This will provide immensely valuable insight.





















Brand Culture

SUMMER RAFFLE TICKETS

These are on sale only until Monday 30th where the raffle will be drawn at 6pm. Please get your tickets now! https://www.pta-events.co.uk/rossettacre/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=100249

Below is the list of prizes:

OAKDALE GOLF CLUB

A sleeve of Titleist AVX golf balls from touring Pro Scott Brown

FAT BADGER

£40 voucher to spend in the pub

RUDDING PARK £50 voucher

YORK GLIDING CENTRE Glider flight experience voucher

LITTLE GYM 3 hour camp voucher

DAVID LLOYD

BRAND CULTURE

Free 1hr business strategy session

KITCHEN & KOFFEE Voucher to spend in the café

VIA INTERIORS

1 hour free interior design consultation

SO BAR!

£50 voucher to spend in the pub

MG SHOW 2025

4 tickets to the 2025 MG show

HARROGATE SPORTS & FITNESS CENTRE

3 month membership voucher

3 month family pass to use the facilities

HARLOW CARR

Family pass for 2 adults and 3 children

17 Miles

A gift box of 3 bottles of Floris Belgium beer

LIVE FOR TODAY

£40 voucher to spend on an activity

ALL BAR ONE

Two free cocktails

BRIMHAMS ACTIVE

Family swim vouchers

VANILLI'S

Voucher for a 6 scoop takeaway box

FIONA JONES LIFE COACHING 1 hour free coaching session

BLACK HORSE INN

£40 voucher to spend in the pub

ARROW SELF DRIVE

50% off a one day rental of a hire vehicle

HG3 SWEAT

Two week trial membership

STUMPS CROSS CAVERNS

Family pass for the caves

CORN CLOSE FARM

Free care farm session for 4 for 1hour



DESIGN A MASCOT

Myrings Estate Agents is inviting the children of Rossett Acre Primary School to help them design a mascot. The designs can be submitted as drawings, costumes or both. Be as creative as you like!

Please submit your final designs to the school office by Friday 5th September 2025. These will then be passed to Myrings to judge and the lucky winner will not only see their mascot come to life but also win a special prize!









Harrogate Racquets Club

Harrogate Racquets are running two table tennis holiday camps in the summer. Please follow the link to book a place.

They can be booked as individual days or all three.

Monday 28th, 29th 30th July 10-12 noon

https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/HarrogateRacquetsClub/Coaching/Camp?courseID=a0756c81-0239-4c4b-941c-7d9083cda137

Wed 13th 14th 15th August 10-12 noon

 $\underline{https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/HarrogateRacquetsClub/Coaching/Camp?courseID=df22b158-6403-49ce-\underline{93cc-33279513e33b}$

Netball Summer Camp

To book please follow the link: https://www.netball4all.com/







A BIODIVERSITY NET LOSS OF 20.23% - Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment

REVISED REASONS TO OBJECT

ECOLOGICALLY UNACCEPTABLE

Quantifies a substantial ecological deficit (20.23%) and reliance on external credits, highlighting a major environmental downside. Statutory credits are a "last resort" and demonstrates a development that is unacceptable from a local ecological and biodiversity perspective.

FURTHER LOSS OF PUBLIC AMENITY

In response to NYC Principle Ecologist's holding objection recommendation that 'spurious' tree planting plans would impact negatively on Rotary Wood, Danone HSWL plan to plant less trees and expand their factory even further. This would be to the further detriment of public amenity, threatening the three special statuses.

The proposal includes the loss of mature and developing woodland, which was not authorised in the outline consent.

CAPACITY OF INFRASTRUCTURE

Water extraction: 2 new pipelines from Killinghall area to Harlow Moor Road factory.

464 million litres of water per annum, despite frequent droughts.

 $\label{trade effluent: increased pressure on public sewer system yet no acknowledgement of trade effluent in Outline Planning application.$

Traffic increase: during and after construction causing congestion in a town already at capacity.

Vehicular access and Highway Safety: known breaches of operational procedure, road damage and known collisions.

PROTECTED AND PRIORITY SPECIES

The Smeeden Foreman 'Bat Survey report' (November 2024), would suggest that there is a likelihood of significant loss of bat foraging and commuting opportunities as a result of the

proposed development.

The proposed development, including revised increase in scale, would result in the loss of central woodland where Myotis species were identified foraging and commuting.

Landscape plans show a reduction of tree coverage with multiple pathways, and inadequate screening from the building, therefore light pollution is likely.

CLIMATE EMERGENCY AND COUNCIL POLICY CONFLICT

Danone/HSWL development is not in line with The Council Plan (2025-2029), Council policy NE7 of the LP, 'Beyond Carbon' plans, Council declaration of Climate Emergency, or IPCC reports urging urgent halts to deforestation





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Have a lovely weekend.

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Deputy Headteacher