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NEWSLETTER FOR ROSSETT ACRE – 4 September 2025

Forthcoming dates for your diary

Mon 15-Fri 19 Sep	Y6 East Barnby residential.
Tues 23 Sept	Year 4 Nell Bank Information Meeting for parents and children – 5pm.
Tues 23 Sept	Year 5 East Barnby Information Meeting for parents and children – 5.45pm.
Mon 29 Sept	Emotional resilience talk for EYFS parents – 6pm Screensafe talk for all parents – 6.30pm
Weds 1 Oct	Individual/sibling & pre-school photographs. Details to follow.
Thurs 2 Oct	Harvest festival – children only.
Tues 7 Oct	Afternoon Tea – 2-3pm. Details to follow. Open classrooms – 3-3.30pm.
Thurs 9 Oct	Whole School Flu Vaccinations. Details to follow.
Thurs 16 Oct	Open Day 1 – New Starters for September 2026 – Booking link to follow shortly.
Thurs 23 Oct	Children finish for October Half Term. Casual Day £1 donation.
Fri 24 Oct	Training Day for Staff (children not in)

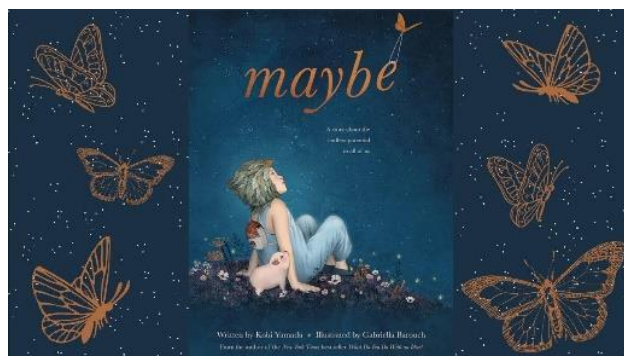
QUOTE OF THE WEEK: 'The future depends on what we do in the present' Mahatma Gandhi.

Welcome back everyone! We hope you have all had a wonderful Summer with lots of rest and fun filling your days. It is so lovely to see everyone.

We started our new year with a Welcome Back assembly where we reminded ourselves of our school rules. At Rossett Acre we will be ready, be respectful and be safe whilst always treating others the way we want to be treated.



We also thought about all the amazing things we can achieve this year and how each and everyone of us can find opportunities to shine. To help us with this we listened to the story *Maybe* by Kobi Yamana. Click here if you want to listen too. [Maybe by Kobi Yamana](#)



NEW STARTERS

We have a number of new children who have joined us and on Monday the EYFS team hosted a Teddy Bear's picnic for all the children and their families. Our new Early Years children have been coming in throughout the week and from Monday we will have all 60 children in. How exciting! Welcome to everyone who has joined us at Rossett Acre, it is lovely to have you here.

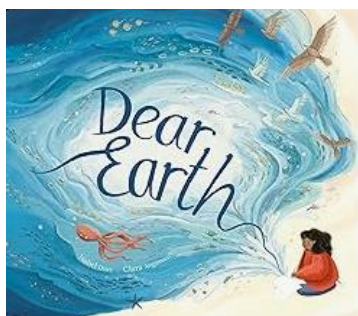
ONE LIFE

On Tuesday you will have received a letter explaining that we have introduced a new morning routine. We started this on Wednesday and it worked brilliantly. We have also had some lovely comments from parents which we are really pleased about.

Just in case you missed the letter, ONE LIFE has been designed to develop physical, social and mental fitness in children. Our young people are growing up in an increasingly challenging world and now, more than ever, we need to ensure that they know how to build their physical, mental and social fitness, so that they can live their 'ONE LIFE' well.

Please do take the time to read the letter we sent out as this gives you some more information. There is also a link to a video for you to see the Morning Routine in action with another school.

DIVERSITY ASSEMBLY



On Wednesday, Miss Dodgson read *Dear Earth* to the whole school. This beautiful book tells us of a time when Tessa writes a love letter to the Earth, which is the start of a wonderful adventure. Tessa blows bubbles with whales, flies high with birds and joins in with the noisy rainforest hullabaloo! Tessa wants everyone to know how special our planet is.

This book is also the inspiration for our September whole school writing. Each class will use this book to produce some fabulous writing which we will then display in our Timeline Hall.

ATTENDANCE

We are in process of reviewing our attendance procedures and once we have finalised these, they will be available on the website for you to look at. However, just as a reminder:

We open our gates and doors at **8.40am** to allow the children plenty of time to get into their classroom by the required time of **8.50am**.

By law, schools must keep an attendance register which must be taken at the start of the first session (morning) and again during the second session (afternoon). The register marks whether the pupil is present, attending an approved off-site educational activity, absent or unable to attend due to exceptional circumstances. Department for Education Attendance codes are used.

- School's official starting time is **8.50am**. Staff take the register in the classroom by **9.00am**. This is the cut-off point for staff in classrooms taking registers.
- Any child arriving after class doors are shut and via the front door will be registered by the office staff.

Please remember how important it is that children are punctual and arrive prepared for the day's learning. This is to support them both academically and with their mental wellbeing.



Attendance 2 September 2025 to 4 September 2025:
98.8%

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

Today's attendance is 99.1%. This is fabulous, let's keep it going.

CLASS DOJO

Please find attached information regarding the use of Class DoJo.

OPEN DAYS FOR 2026 STARTERS

We will be holding two Open Days for Early Years 2026 starters. The dates are Thursday 16 October and Tuesday 18 November. We are in the process of setting up the booking system which will be updated on our website in the coming days. If you have a little one starting next year, please keep these dates in your diary and look out for the booking system going live.

ECO – TIP

Use a reusable water bottle

PTA NEWS



Don't forget about this amazing competition. It's a fabulous opportunity for the children to see their entries come to life!

[Myrings Estate Agents](#) has been an incredible supporter for Rossett Acre and it's so lovely and an honour to have been invited to create their mascot!

Entries are to be taken to the school office by Friday 12th September (deadline extended). Any questions please call or message 07402113222

We can't wait to see all your creations!!

A separate email will follow with the PTA newsletter attached.

ROSSETT ACRE LITTLE ACORNS PLAYGROUP

Our playgroup starts again next week. You can find us in the Sports Hall (past the school office).



New stay and play group for parents and children aged 0-4, a great opportunity to connect with our school and local parents and children

**Rossett Acre
Little Acorns
Playgroup**

Every Friday during term time



Sports Hall
9am - 10:30am


New stay and play group for parents and children aged 0-4, run by our friendly Early Years team and wonderful Little Crickets staff

£2 per family

Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits will be available to buy

No need to book, all families welcome!






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Enchantica's Afterschool Clubs

Rising Stars
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Day: Mondays
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Ages: 4-8

Musical Theatre
Location: Enchantica's Studio
Day: Mondays
Time: 4:30pm - 5:15pm
Ages: 4-8

Yoga Adventurers
Location: Enchantica's Studio
Day: Thursdays
Time: 6pm - 6:45pm
Ages: 7-11

Starting W/C 8th Sep

See reverse for class info >>>



Sibling Group

To sign up please follow the link below or email hannah@thesiblinggroup.org

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=99ceLEyl10aR0tD4CJkFhJc7KDIwt7JOsyHUmWoLK-hUM0Y0VIVERkiINU9KV1Y1OUFTWkFRQ1hIMiQIQCN0PWcu>



Our aims:

- We encourage our siblings to be independent, confident and unapologetically themselves.
- Experience the outside world via group trips by public transport.
- To create friendships with those of similar age and circumstance, and develop a community.

To sign up your child contact us

Contact info

hannah@thesiblinggroup.org
www.thesiblinggroup.org

Find us on facebook and Instagram too

The sibling group



About us:

The Sibling Group was founded by our CEO Grace. Grace who was born in Harrogate, North Yorkshire had two siblings an elder sister and younger brother Oscar. Oscar was diagnosed with severe learning disabilities and Autism at the age of 3. At this time like many others, Grace's family were unsure what this meant for their future. Grace and her elder sister struggled with the many challenges of having a sibling with SEN and felt isolated and misunderstood by the world around them. They felt lucky to have each other to talk to but wished they could have known others in similar positions as them, as they didn't want to burden their parents with their concerns and feelings surrounding their brother's needs. Grace and her sister feel that siblings of SEN children are often overlooked or discredited as they are not the ones with the needs so therefore are expected to be fine. Often children take on the worries or concerns surrounding the welfare of their SEN sibling which can lead to their own mental health issues.

Grace went on to gain a first degree in Special Education and a distinction in her PGCE & qualified teaching status and worked as a SEN teacher in London. She is currently studying her masters in Autism and Inclusion. Whilst writing her dissertation she based it on the affect a child with special needs has on their sibling, to which she found herself interviewing her sister and revisiting their shared experience growing up with a sibling with special needs and the emotional effects this had on them. Reminding her of their lack of support.

These events inspired the creation of The Sibling Group Charity.



What we do

We run groups for children aged 6-11 years old who have a sibling with additional needs but do not have these needs themselves. Our groups allow children to meet others of similar age and circumstance encouraging them to create friendships and build support networks to last a life time. Our groups take place in Harrogate and Havering.

Some things we do at our groups

Games

Crafts

Cooking/baking

Themed days

Trips

Lots of fun!

See for your self!



[CLICK TO ENLARGE](#)

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