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Our school:

'Excellence and happiness for all'



Charity No.1048680

NEWSLETTER FOR ROSSETT ACRE – 6 November 2025

Forthcoming dates for your diary

Fri 7 Nov	Set up for jumble sale – afternoon
Sat 8 Nov	Jumble Sale 10am-12pm
Mon 10 Nov	*NEW* Start of anti-bullying week. Wear odd socks on Monday.
Weds 12 Nov	Miss Illingworth's Class Assembly 9.10am
Thurs 13 Nov	PTA Story Evening – details below
Fri 14 Nov	*NEW* Children in Need – Wear something spotty
Tues 18 Nov	Open Day 2 - New Starters for September 2026 – https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/open-days-thursday-16th-october-and-tuesday-18th-november-2025-tickets-1667847991239?aff=oddtcreator
Weds 19 Nov	Mrs Ingle/Mrs Sims's Class Assembly 9.10am
Thurs 20 Nov	Mrs Aslam/Mrs Haslam's Class Assembly 9.10am
Thurs 20 Nov	Parents' Evening In-Person 4-7pm – 10 minute appointments.
Sat 22 Nov	PTA Xmas Event
Mon 24 Nov	Miss Barker & Mrs Jones/Mrs Reddish's Parents' Evening – Online 4-7pm
Tues 25 Nov	Parents' Evening Online 4-7pm – 10 minute appointments. All classes except Mrs Jones/Mrs Reddish and Miss Barker's.
Weds 26 Nov	*NEW* Y5 Energy Heroes Workshops
Thurs 27 Nov	Flu vaccination catch up
Fri 28 Nov	*NEW* Training Day – Children not in school
Tues 2 Dec	Year 3 Temple Newsam Trip
Sat 6 Dec	The Harrogate Christmas Concert in The Royal Hall (Singing Squad)
Tues 9 Dec	EYFS Nativity 9.30am. KS1 Nativity 2.30pm
Weds 10 Dec	KS1 Nativity 9.30am. EYFS Nativity 2.30pm
Thurs 11 Dec	Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day



Welcome back. I hope you had a wonderful half term.

One Life Day on Monday we had a whole day learning about how to develop our physical, social and mental fitness so that we have the knowledge and tools we need to manage all the emotions we can experience in life. The key thread throughout the day was self-awareness and how we can stop and catch ourselves to make good choices. The day started with a whole school assembly, led by Miss Woodcock, where we shared the positive affirmation of 'It's good to be me' and the wise words 'Be yourself, everyone else is already taken' which is a quote from Oscar Wilde. The day was full of the children thinking about themselves and how they can use their unique values and qualities to support other people. We also thought about our families and friend alongside how being healthy helps us to be the best version of ourselves.

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

To mark the start of Anti-bullying Week, we are inviting the children to wear odd socks to school on Monday 10th November.



PARENT/CARER BEHAVIOUR POLICY

At Rossett Acre we have a Parent/Carer Behaviour Policy which can be viewed here:

<https://www.rossettacreprimary.co.uk/seecmsfile/?id=2479>

We expect all parents/carers to be respectful to one another, staff and children and conduct themselves in an appropriate, polite manner on site.

Our policy states that:

'All adults who enter our school site at any time set examples of behaviour and conduct which influence children and young people and we believe that they should therefore demonstrate high standards of conduct in order to encourage our pupils to do the same. Parents and carers must show respect to all other parents and carers, children and staff.'

Please help us to ensure our school remains a safe, comfortable and inviting place to be.

ONLINE E-SAFETY NEWSLETTER

Attached is this month's Online Safety newsletter.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"We are all different. Don't judge, understand instead."

(Roy T. Bennett, The Light in the Heart.)

YEAR 5 MRS WOOD'S CLASS ASSEMBLY

On Wednesday morning, Mrs Wood's Year 5 class held a very interesting and fun class assembly for parents/carers. The children shared their Science learning all about 'Forces' from Autumn 1. Every child took part and showed off their presenting skills, using clear speaking voices to retell facts using accurate scientific knowledge and cheered everyone up with a fantastically upbeat song: "Can you feel the force?" Well done Mrs Wood's class.



ROTARY CLUB BULB PLANTING

At the end of last half term a group of children joined members of the Harrogate Rotary Club to plant purple crocuses at the top of the Valley Gardens, near to the entrance to the Pine Woods. The Rotary Club plant purple crocuses each year to help spread awareness of their "Purple4Polio" initiative to help eradicate polio from Pakistan and Afghanistan the last two countries where polio is still endemic. The children worked as a super team and very efficiently to plant 2000 bulbs in just over half an hour!



REMEMBRANCE DAY – POPPIES ON SALE IN SCHOOL

Poppies are now on sale in school. The bracelet and ruler slap bands have all sold out. We still have poppies and zip pulls available.

The poppies are on sale at morning break each day. If your child would like to purchase any of our poppies, please ensure that they bring the correct loose change with them to school. Thank you.

Poppies (all types) 50p
Poppy Zip Pulls £1.00

CHILDREN IN NEED

It is Children in Need next Friday 14 November. Children are welcome to come dressed in something spotty. Ideally, we would like you to donate directly to the charity which can be done via this link <https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/ChallengeYourself/?default-tariff=fundraising>

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Attendance Monday 3 November 2025 to Thursday 6 November 2025:
96.17%

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



Today's attendance is 96%.

ECO – TIP

Use a Community Larder and help save food from being wasted.

Boroughbridge Community Larder is a nearby one.

<https://bcccharity.co.uk/our-services/community-larder/>

PTA NEWS



Jumble Sale

Join us this Saturday morning for the Rossett Acre annual Jumble Sale. Doors open 10am. Come and grab a bargain, most items 50p each. There will be loads of great bargains from clothes, shoes, toys and knick knacks. Entry is £1 for adults, free for children, please bring your own bags and cash. Invite your friends and family too.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

If you missed the deadline for ordering Christmas Cards, the shop will re-open on the 21st November. They orders will arrive before Christmas. Please follow this link to the website to place your order:

<https://classfundraising.co.uk>

Story Evening - Thursday 13th, 5:45pm - 5:45pm

We still have some spaces for our lovely Story Evening so if you haven't booked your littlies in, please do so they don't miss out! Here's the link:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/rossettacre/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=106229>

Christmas Experience Volunteers Needed!

We're looking for parent volunteers to help make our Christmas Experience happen! We know the timing is tight—it's just two weeks away—but what better way to kick off the festive season than with an afternoon of carols, crafts, treats, and a visit from Santa?

This beloved event relies entirely on parent volunteers. Without enough support, we'll unfortunately have to cancel. If you'd like to see the Christmas Experience go ahead, please sign up to lend a hand. We'd be so grateful for your help!

Reception: <https://volunteersignup.org/WH4YF>

YR1: <https://volunteersignup.org/M7897>

YR2: <https://volunteersignup.org/C73EQ>

YR3: <https://volunteersignup.org/A9ALE>

YR4: <https://volunteersignup.org/LHX3Y>

YR5: <https://volunteersignup.org/YMFFF>

YR6: <https://volunteersignup.org/FJKTm>

PUPIL PREMIUM INFORMATION

Before the summer break we sent out a letter from the Trust regarding parents' entitlement to Free School Meals. As a Trust, we want to ensure that every child in our care receives the very best possible education and support. One important way we can do this is through additional funding that schools receive through Free School Meals (FSM) and Pupil Premium (PP). A successful application not only ensures your child receives a free, healthy meal each day but also unlocks vital funding that helps improve education for all pupils.

If you haven't already done so, you can apply for Free School Meals via the link below:

FSM link <https://apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/pp-rklt>

SPORTS HALL

Looking for a venue for your exercise class, Pilates session or club activity?

Our school sports hall is available to rent on weekdays, Monday to Thursday between 6pm and 8pm. It's a clean, spacious, and well-equipped facility — ideal for regular group sessions or one-off bookings. To enquire or make a booking, please contact the school office, 01423 561579.

COMMUNITY

CHESS TOURNAMENT

The Harrogate and District Primary Schools Chess Association (HDPSCA) is holding its annual team tournament at The Manhattan Club, Beech Avenue, Harrogate HG2 8DY on Saturday 29th November from 10.00a.m. to 1pm.

All children are welcome, regardless of whether they are beginners or just fancy seeing what it's all about.

Each team shall comprise 4 players in fixed order of playing ability with the best player being on board 1. In addition, one reserve player can be selected who is only allowed to play on board 4. Each team will play 5 rounds of games.

Entry is free and there will be a team prize for the Lloyd Duckworth Shield plus individual prizes. In addition, all players will receive a certificate to congratulate them on representing their school or club in this competition.

If you would like to express an interest in this competition, please let the school office know, and we will pass your child's details to the organisers.

Christmas Card Competition for the Mayor of York and North Yorkshire

This year, I am asking pupils to design a Christmas card on the theme:

"Your Favourite Place in York and North Yorkshire at Christmas"

We are lucky to live in such a beautiful and historic region, full of incredible landscapes, landmarks, and local treasures. Whether it's a favourite park, a historic building, a scenic view, or even a cosy café or playground, I want to see what makes York and North Yorkshire special to the children who live here.

The winning design will feature on my official Christmas card, which will be sent to key community figures, organisations, and partners across the region. The winner and runners-up will also receive a special certificate and an invitation to meet me at my office in York.

How to Enter

- The competition is open to all primary school pupils across York and North Yorkshire.
- Entries should be on A4 paper and designed using any materials or techniques (paint, crayons, collage, digital art, etc.).
- Please ensure the child's name, age, school, and a short explanation of their design are included on the back.
- Schools can submit entries by post to David Skaith, Mayor of York and North Yorkshire, YNY Combined Authority, West Offices, Station Rise, York YO1 6GA or by emailing scanned designs to mayor@yorkandnorthyorks-ca.gov.uk.

The closing date for entries is Friday 14 November and the winning design will be announced in early December.

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.



Corrine Penhale
Headteacher