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Our school:

'Excellence and happiness for all'



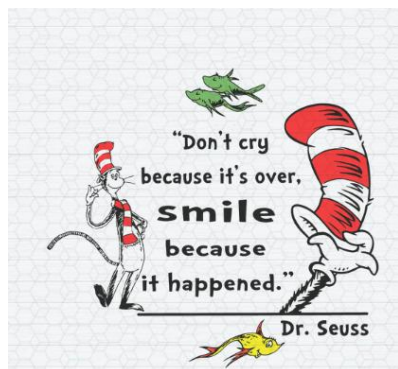
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NEWSLETTER FOR ROSSETT ACRE – 16 July 2026

Forthcoming dates for your diary

Fri 17 July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly (Y6 parents only) – 9.15am
Fri 17 July	School closes at 2.30pm. Casual Day.
Mon 7 Sept	Training Day
Tues 8 Sept	School Opens

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:



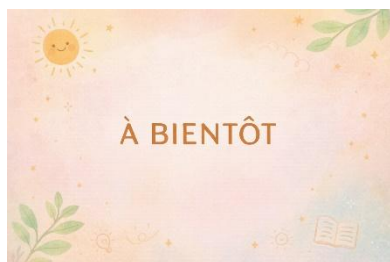
This time of year, is always full of mixed feelings for everyone. We look back on all the amazing things we have achieved, the things we want to achieve still and wonder what next year will bring.

We start to welcome new members of staff and our new children and families who will be joining us in September but at the same time say goodbye to children, families and adults who are leaving us.

I just want to say a huge thank you to everyone within our community who has support me personally but also the whole staff team. I hope you all have a wonderful summer break, and we will look forward to seeing you again in September for more fun and learning.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to the following children, who received a certificate in last week's Celebration Assembly: Percy M (HH), Kit R (RB), Charlie E (EM), Tallulah M-G (JJ/CR), Finn K (SK/BS), Leo D, Jasmine T (AI/LS), Poppy J (PA/EH), Heather D-G (JW), Charlie P (RI), Ava H (TM), Harley N-M (CD).



YEAR 6

Good luck and well done to all our Year 6 children. You have filled the school with entertainment and tried so hard to be the best role models as they possibly could be for our younger children. From the whole Rossett Acre community, we want to wish you all the very best of luck. Enjoy your new schools and embrace every opportunity that comes your way.



MRS NIMICK AND MRS RAMSEY

It is with a sad heart that we are saying "see you soon and thank you" to two wonderful, dedicated and lovely members of staff. Mrs Nimick and Mrs Ramsey have been at Rossett Acre for a number of years and have supported significant amounts of children, families and adults throughout their time here. Thank you to both of you for everything you have done and we wish you both a retirement which is full of fun and laughter... and peace!

FEAST ON THE FIELD



Last Friday we were able to still have some of our annual Feast on the Field fun before it got too hot. The children took part in a range of activities, played with bubbles and water, ate yummy food and ice lollies. Lots of fun was had by children and adults – it was exactly what we all needed.

GARDENING COMPETITIONS

Thank you to everyone who entered our sunflower growing competition. Our winners are Martha S and Jack R who grew the tallest sunflowers - well done and keep up the great gardening! They have each won a family ticket to RHS Harlow Carr Gardens - have a great time!

You can visit www.rhs.org.uk for family gardening activities to try over the summer.

Results are in for our class sunflower competition - Mrs Aslam and Mrs Haslam's class grew the tallest sunflower which was 138cm tall. Great work!



ROSSETT'S GOT TALENT

A huge congratulations to all the children that took part in Rossett's Got Talent this year. We have some very talented children, who displayed a wide variety of skills including magic, singing, music, martial arts, comedy, dancing, and art. A particular well done to those children that performed in the final celebration assemblies on Friday afternoon, in a very warm sports hall. It takes a lot of courage to stand up in front of their peers to perform to a large group, so we are very proud of them. We hope we may have inspired the children to try something new and continue to explore their passions and talents.



SUSTAINABILITY

On Monday 6th July, we were presented with our gold award by the Trust for our achievements this year towards the Trust's Sustainability Charter. Gardening Club and Eco Committee were all presented with certificates and notebooks for all their hard work this year.

During the assembly, Miss Kirkwood shared some of the achievements of the year: taking part in the Great Big School Clean; completing the Big School's Birdwatch; Energy Sparks and Energy heroes workshops; the Golden Light Switch Award; entering the Great Big Green Week competition; Eco Committee's Microhabitats project; planting trees and hedgerow on our school grounds.

Well done again to our school's Eco Committee and Gardening Club.

GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK EXHIBITION

As a school we entered the Great Big Green Week competition, the photo exhibition will be displayed at St Peter's Church from Monday 20th July until the week of the 27th July. Tom Gordon MP will be viewing all the work on Monday 20th July at 11am. The exhibition will be open for viewing until 3:30pm every day and there will be free refreshments on the launch morning with Tom Gordon.

PLASTIC FREE FESTIVAL

Harrogate Fairtrade Shop are having a Fantastic Plastic-Free Festival at the Chocolate Factory on Saturday 25th July, 11.00-3.00pm. There will be stalls and a refill station.

LOST PROPERTY

Our lost property bins are overflowing. Please check the lost property for any lost items before the end of term. All unclaimed items will be donated to charity over the summer holidays. And please ensure all new items of uniform and clothing are named in preparation for the new school year in September. We are always able to return named items to their owner. Thank you.

The Rossett Acre annual Jumble Sale will be held the first week of October. Over the next few months please collect items that you can donate to our jumble sale. The summer holidays are a perfect time for a sort out and to find things that you no longer need. We will be looking for donations of clean clothing (adult & child), accessories, shoes, toys and bric a brac (no books). Thank you.

THANK YOU TO OUR PTA

A special thank you goes to our wonderful PTA for their fantastic fundraising, energy and dedication to our school this year. The time, creativity and commitment they bring makes such a difference to the children and helps provide those extra opportunities and experiences that make school life even more special.

We would also like to extend an extra thank you to Becky Duffield, Chair of the PTA, who is stepping down from the role. Becky has given so much time, enthusiasm and care to supporting Rossett Acre, and we are incredibly grateful for everything she has done for our school community.

ATTENDANCE

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Attendance Friday 9 July 2026 to Thursday 16 July 2026:
94.83%

Remember: The gates open at 8.40am and school starts promptly at 8.50am. If you arrive after 8.50am, then please escort your child to the main office and sign them in. Thank you.

Today's attendance is: 93.9%.

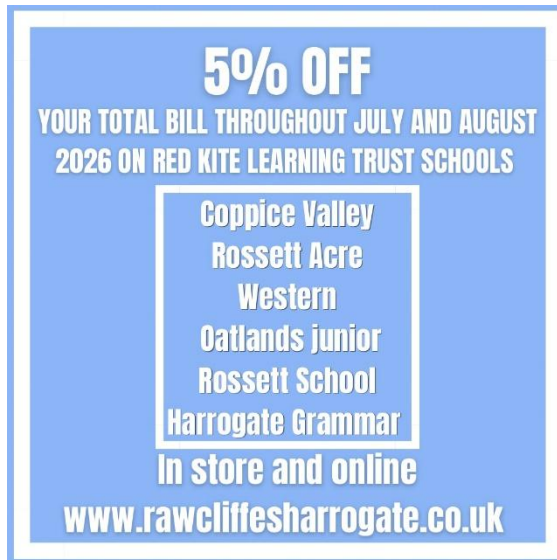
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ECO – TIP

Use a watering can - Hosepipes use 540 litres an hour!

COMMUNITY



Below is a link to the Summer edition of All About Family.

www.allabout-family.co.uk/yorkshire-humberside/

A list of FREE/low-cost activities across the Harrogate district aimed at children and families over the seven weeks of the summer holidays.

HADCA website:

<https://hadca.org.uk/news/free-low-cost-summer-activities-harrogate-district-2026>

Family Car event in Harrogate on Sunday 16th August.

Link to event page [Fuelling The Force: PTC Charity Car Sunday - The Police Treatment Centres](#)



Community Events Coming Up

**FREE
EVENTS**

Monthly Board Game & Card Morning

First Tuesday of the month (starting 7th July)

Enjoy a variety of board games and card games, great coffee and treats, and a friendly atmosphere - everyone is welcome, whether you come with friends or meet new ones along the way!

Fire Safety Morning

Tuesday 28th July, 10.40am

Join North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service for a free informative session aimed at keeping you safe and well in our community. With a chance to look around the fire engine afterwards! All ages welcome. Should the service be required to attend an emergency the event may be cancelled short notice.

Lego Play

Tuesday 11th August, 10am-1.30pm

Creativity meets great coffee! Grab a drink, enjoy some tasty food, and dive into a world of building, creating, and connecting with fellow LEGO lovers. All ages welcome.

An Exclusive Coffee Tasting & Founder Talk

Tuesday 13 Oct, 11:30 - 12:30

Join us for a special coffee experience with Nick Castle, CEO and Co-Founder of CLO Coffee, as he shares the story behind the brand's ethical sourcing and support for female coffee farmers, followed by a guided coffee tasting.

Cafe open Tuesday and Thursday 10am - 1:30PM
(Please note cafe closed 9th July)

The Lounge Cafe, St Mark's Church, Leeds Road, Harrogate

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smch.org.uk/theloungecafe

Summer Reading Challenge - Turn up the volume on reading this summer!

This summer, The Reading Agency and North Yorkshire Libraries invite children aged 4–11 to discover the joy of reading through Read to the Beat! — the music-themed Summer Reading Challenge 2026.

As part of the National Year of Reading, libraries are encouraging families to make reading part of their summer adventures. The challenge for children is to read **six** library books of their choice and collect special stickers and other rewards along the way. Remember, reading or listening to books with grown-ups or siblings all counts towards completing the challenge. Everyone who finishes will receive a limited edition Read to the Beat medal and a certificate.

Read to the Beat launches in North Yorkshire libraries on Saturday 4 July. More information, along with full details of library events across the county can be found on individual library Facebook pages or on North Yorkshire Council's website at www.northyorks.gov.uk/src



All the prizes up for grabs in this year's Summer Reading Challenge!



Your library is full of surprises





GO ALL IN.