Rossett Acre Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Date: *Thursday 12 November 2026*

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

It has been another lovely but busy week here at Rossett Acre!

On Monday, our assembly was about Remembrance and why we take time to remember. Remembrance is an opportunity to honour the service and sacrifice of those who have served in the Armed Forces, especially those who have lost their lives, and to think of their families.

Taking time to pause helps us keep their memory alive and reflect on the importance of peace.

My hope is that this reflection will encourage us all to value kindness, understanding and the ways we can care for one another each day.



Next week, we will be thinking about Anti-Bullying Week and how we can all help everyone feel safe, welcome and included. We invite everyone to wear odd socks on Monday to celebrate what makes each of us unique. We look forward to seeing your colourful combinations!

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Kate Woodcock
Headteacher

UPCOMING DATES

Monday 16th November
Odd Socks Day

Wednesday 18th November
Flu Vaccinations

Thursday 19th November
Parents Evening – Face to Face

Friday 20th November
Flu Vaccination Catch Up

Tuesday 24th November
Parents Evening – Online

Wednesday 25th November
EYFS Open Day

Wednesday 25th November
Year 4 Mrs Haslam/Mrs Aslam's Class Assembly 9.10am

Friday 27th November
Training Day

Tuesday 2nd December
Year 4 Mrs Sims/Mrs Shaw's Class Assembly 9.10am

ATTENDANCE

Whole school attendance: 96.9%

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. Visit our website for our Attendance strategy.

Congratulations to the following children, who received a certificate in last term's Celebration Assembly:

Layla C (HH), Ted C (RB), Autumn J (EM), Caitlyn H-S (AB), Emilia F (JJ/CR), Kaian H (SK/BS), Ted H-B (BS/LS) Ted G (PA/EH), Felicity L (JW), Palesa T (RI), Kasjan P, Oscar G-M (CD), Ewan T (TM).

YEAR 5 MURTON PARK TRIP

What a wonderful day at Murton Park! The Year 5 children stepped back in time to explore life as Roman soldiers at the Roman fort. We learnt sword-fighting skills and had a go at spear throwing with the centurion, made our very own clay oil lamps and practised writing in Latin. The day ended with everyone forming a fantastic Roman testudo (tortoise) formation to bravely chase away an angry Celt woman! A fun-filled day of history and lots of laughter. We certainly made some fantastic Roman soldiers!

ECO TOP TIP

Be a light-switch superhero! Switch off lights when you leave an empty room to save energy. Why not make it a family challenge this week? Before switching off, check that nobody still needs the light. Small actions, brighter futures!

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS

Reminders

- Emblazon currently selling coloured PE T-shirts for £2.
- Children in Need Day – **tomorrow.** Wear something spotty if you want to.
- 16th November is Anti-Bullying week. Children are invited to wear Odd Socks on **Monday** to represent how unique we all are and to recognise and celebrate our differences. (No donation required).
- Playgroup is on tomorrow, but will not be running on the 20th or 27th November.

COATS

Now we are moving into colder, wetter Autumn days, please can all children bring their coats to school. We often do lessons outside during the day and we try to be out for as many playtimes as possible - even in showers!

Please ensure all coats are named.

DIVERSITY ASSEMBLY



On Wednesday Mrs Morley read the lovely book, I Remember by Ahmad Maidah. This is a letter between a Muslim grandchild to his/her war hero great-grandpa to reassure him that his story, his bravery, and his memory have not been forgotten.

THIS WEEK'S SPOTLIGHT – Eco Committee

Harlow Carr Climate Change Event with Eco Committee on Wednesday 11th November
16 children from Eco Committee were invited to take part in a Climate Change Event at Harlow Carr. They took part in 4 workshops throughout the day.



In our first workshop, we learnt about how to save energy and if it was behavioural waste (e.g. leaving lights on, leaving doors open) or building waste (e.g. poor insulation, draughts).

Our next workshop was in the Learning Garden where we learnt about the ingredients of soil and made soil soup. We then pretended to be rain by gently tapping the ground with our feet and sang 'There's a worm at the bottom of the garden'. Loads of worms appeared out the soil. We then investigated what type of worm we had found. During this workshop, we also planted our own 'green manure' (red clover) seeds which can be planted to protect the soil over winter.



In our third workshop, we were with North Yorkshire Rotters and the Waste Education team. We learnt about how to reduce food waste, what can be recycled and which bins to put our waste in. We also learnt about what happens to our black bin waste at Allerton Park. Finally, we had the opportunity to have a go on the smoothie bike and try the smoothie we made.

The final workshop was about sustainable travel to school and we discussed the importance of active travel. We thought about why walking is beneficial and how we could encourage more people to make the choice to walk to school or park and stride.

The day was a huge success and we learnt so much. It was a lovely opportunity for children across different year groups to learn together about how to make a difference to our planet.

Miss Kirkwood







Children in Need - Friday 13th November (Tomorrow)

To support Children in Need 2026, we are inviting children to wear something spotty to school on Friday 13th November for a £1 donation. They can wear uniform with spots or casual clothes with spots.



There is a fundraising link: https://www.enterpriseteampudsey.co.uk/page/rossett-acre-primary, as well as the **QR code** should you wish to donate electronically.

Thank you for supporting this worthwhile cause.

QR Code

PTA NEWS



Christmas Experience: 21st November 2026 from 1pm - 4pm

To get the 2026 Christmas season off to a fantastic start we have our Christmas Experience on Saturday 21st November at 1-4pm!

Everyone is welcome at the Christmas Experience where you will be able get ready for Christmas by making reindeer food, writing a letter to Santa, making a Christmas wish and decorating a festive biscuit - this ticket will be £5 per child (adults and babes in arms are FREE).

If your child would also like to visit **SANTA** and receive a small gift in addition to the above, this ticket will be £10. Book your tickets **NOW!** Please choose your time slots for Santa visits when purchasing your tickets (https://tinyurl.com/33zhhv7m).

We will also have a bar selling festive treats and an opportunity for your child to visit 'Elfridges' to buy a family member or friend a little gift, as well as entertainment from our fabulous singing squad!

Any **DONATIONS** for Elfridges would also be greatly appreciated (new or unopened gifts please) drop these into school reception by Monday 16th.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED - Please also contact us if you are able to help make this event happen, whether it be in the lead up or on the day itself by emailing us at rossettacrepta@gmail.com or messaging Jen 07859 338163 or Sarah 07791 170164.

Junior parkrun

Our junior parkrun takeover on Sunday was wonderful. Almost 200 children took part and there was a real sense of community spirit alongside lots of determined runners! So far, money raised is £1941 which is fantastic. The class with the most entrants was Mrs Morley's class and they were very excited to find out that they will receive an extra break! Thank you to Mr Spence and our PTA for organising the event and to everyone who has taken part and donated.



Spring Ball - Tickets: Saturday 15th May 2027 – The Crowne Plaza Hotel, Harrogate - Scan QR code below or Click Here

If anyone would like to support the *first ever* Rossett Acre 'Parents Spring Ball' as sponsors or helpers, please email Louise Lodge at louisealodge@gmail.com. We are looking for raffle prizes, DJ contacts, table decorations or anything that can make the Ball fabulous!!



COMMUNITY EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Radfield Home Care
Please find attached details of their Christmas card competition.



Christmas Holiday Club