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'Excellence and happiness for all'



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NEWSLETTER FOR ROSSETT ACRE – 29 June 2023

Forthcoming dates for your diary	
Fri 30 June	*NEW* Walk to School Day - TOMORROW
W/c 3 July	Rossett's Got Talent Showcases – Details below
Weds 5 July	*NEW* Strike Day – please see letter sent via Arbor for details of teacher's striking.
Weds 5 July	Year 4 Nell Bank Residential
Weds 5 July	Year 6 production
Thurs 6 July	Year 6 production
Fri 7 July	Training Day – children not in school
Mon 10 July	Year 3 & 4 Sports Day – AM
Mon 10 July	*NEW* Year 2 re-arranged Sports Day – 2.30pm
Mon 10 July	*NEW* Pupil reports go out with details of meetings below.
Thurs 13 July	Transition morning for children meeting their new teacher. Meet the teacher for parents & children – 3.45pm-4.15pm. Miss Kirkwood will arrange a different date for her meetings. Meeting to discuss pupil report if needed – 4.20pm-6.30pm.
Fri 14 July	Feast on the Field/Rossett's Got Talent – details to follow.
Tues 18 July	*NEW* Y6 Leavers' disco 6-8pm. Details to follow.
Thurs 20 July	Save the Date. Family picnic afternoon – details to follow.
Fri 21 July	Close for Summer at 2.30pm
Tues 5 Sept	School opens at the usual time.

A huge thank you to everyone who came to the Summer Fair on Saturday, it was a great turnout and the weather was glorious for us. The ice-cream van line remained long, all day, and the storytime marquee was a great success too. A special thank you to everyone who helped out on a stall or with the setting up/putting away, to those running the BBQ and bar, to our Singing Squad that performed brilliantly and particularly to Jen Brennan who was leading the Fair for the first time and did a great job.



It was so lovely to meet quite a few of our new starters who will join us in September too – the children I met were super confident and came to introduce themselves to me, which was lovely.

If you bought raffle tickets at the fair, the winning numbers are below. (See: **SUMMER FAIR RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS**)

On Monday this week, I led a No Outsiders Assembly on the elderly and how age is a protected characteristic of the Equality Act 2010. The children answered my questions brilliantly and understood the message that just because someone is elderly, it doesn't mean they can't work, have fun or do new things. I began the assembly with Dolly Parton playing at Glastonbury in 2014 and ended it with Mick Jagger and the Rolling Stones performing in Stockholm last year. The children were surprised to hear that Dolly Parton is 77 years old and Mick Jagger is 79 and they are still performing concerts all over the world. If you'd like to listen to the story online that I showed to the children, you can do so here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=StWghaP7ecE>

NEW STARTERS

We welcomed some of our new starters on Monday morning and Monday afternoon. I was really pleased that the children came in so well and that they just got on in the EYFS classrooms, colouring, playing in the water, building things and enjoying our outside space. It was lovely to say hello to the children's parents too, who were having a tea/coffee in the hall whilst waiting for their child/ren. A few of the children recognised me and told me that they knew me, which was very sweet too. We look forward to welcoming all our new starters and parents in September, both at our Teddy Bears Picnic and also on their first day of school.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today." (H. Jackson Brown, Jr, writer)

PICTURE BOOK ASSEMBLY



This week, Mrs Reddish read 'The World is not a rectangle: A portrait of Architect Zaha Hadid, written by Jeanette Winter.

This book is all about Zaha Hadid's architect life and how she triumphed over adversity. It also linked to International Women in Engineering Day which was on the 23 June 2023.

The music this week was: The House Martins – Build

If you'd like to hear the story for yourself, you can do so here: [The World is Not a Rectangle \(Read Aloud\) - YouTube](#)

Attendance for the week (Friday 23 June to Thursday 29 June)

94.71%

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the children who received a certificate in last week's celebration assembly: Max L (AC), Harry C (SK/CN), Joe S (EM), Isabela A (ER), Betsy B (JW), Emma M (CR/JJ), Sonny L-C (PA/EH), Oliver P (KM), Bethany C (AI/LS), Edward S (AW), Whole class (MW/CH), Leo C (EM), Toby L (TM), William B, Ava S (CD).

TOP TABLE

Congratulations to the children who were on Top Table last Friday Savannah K-N (EYFS), Jamie G (Y1), Felix K (Y2), Ed S (Y3), Lenny D (Y4), Ted B (Y5), Kara I-P (Y6).

Eco Committee's Weekly Top Tip:

Try soap, shampoo and conditioner bars

MUSIC CONCERTS

Our musicians and singers have had a very busy week!

On Monday, we held two Music Concerts in school, one in the afternoon and one on the evening. The concerts were very well attended and the supportive atmosphere was fabulous. The children who performed showed their talents brilliantly and bravely played their instruments/sang in front of our large audiences. I was so proud of them all. The standard of music making was amazing and it was great seeing the children share their talents with everyone.

Orchestra opened both shows with fabulous playing of the 'Neighbours' theme tune. Many other soloists performed throughout the concerts which really displayed the wide variety of music happening within the school. Our KS1 choir made everyone smile with their great dance moves and Singing Squad once again impressed with their vocal talents. The concerts ended with both choirs singing 'Power In me' which was clearly a favourite with the singers and audience.

A huge thank you to Lesley Stott who organised the event, rehearsed with the children in advance of the concert and who pulled everything together. Thank you also to Mrs Askew who accompanied some of the children on the piano, Miss Blyde who helped out at the afternoon performance and Miss Wolsey who also attended the concert on the evening in her role as Music Leader in school, and Miss Woodcock.



MUSIC FUN DAY AT HGS

On Wednesday 34 of our children attended a music day at Harrogate Grammar School alongside children from Western, Oatlands and Pannal. The choir learnt several songs including a Beyonce number and many Rossett Acre children were confident enough to sing solos. The Orchestra worked extremely hard and learnt 3 pieces including a James Bond tune. There was a short concert at the end of the day for parents. It was a wonderful day full of music making and all the children from Rossett Acre worked extremely hard.

A big thank you to HGS for hosting the day and especially to Karen Twitchin for her fabulous organisation. A huge thank you to Lesley Stott who attended the Music Fun Day with the children.

SUMMER FAIR RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS

Thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets at the Summer Fair. The winning tickets were as follows:

- 1. Chocolate cake - 601**
- 2. £225 Phillip Anthony photography voucher - 702**
- 3. £225 Phillip Anthony photography voucher - 645**
- 4. Cooper King gin - 736**
- 5. Prosecco - 555**
- 6. Campo Viejo Rioja - 735**
- 7. Jam Shed Shiraz - 615**
- 8. Chardonnay - 2**
- 9. Incanta Pinot Noir - 502**
- 10. M&S £20 vouchers (in two envelopes) - 549**
- 11. Azendi bracelet - 805**
- 12. Cards against Humanity (board game for adults) - 794**
- 13. Beat the Parents board game - 681**
- 14. Articulate board game - 5**
- 15. Box of shortbread - 656**
- 16. Notebook & pen set - 792**
- 17. Alphabet lotto - 9**
- 18. Shimmer & sparkle travel set - 507**

Congratulations to everyone who won a prize. Please can you collect your prize, bringing your winning raffle ticket with you, from the school office as soon as possible. Thank you.

SPORTS DAYS

Years 5 and 6 spent a lovely morning at Rossett High School for their Sports Day. They took part in several different track races as well as a wide variety of field events, including tri-golf, penalty shootout, long jump, javelin throwing, quoit throwing and archery. The Rossett High Sports Leaders recorded all the scores and times, which will be returned to Mrs Wood shortly and the results will be announced in assembly in the coming weeks. Everyone engaged in all the activities with positivity and their team spirit shone through. Well done to everyone and thank you to all the families who came to cheer on the teams.





Unfortunately, our Year 2 Sports Day was cancelled due to inclement weather, however a new date has been arranged. (See dates at the top of this newsletter)

Yesterday, Year 1 had their Sports Day and today Early Years had theirs. The children participated wonderfully and we were really proud of them. Next Tuesday, Year 3 & 4 will be having their Sports Days.

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Sports Days to watch/cheer on the children. It was lovely that you could join us and well done to all the children who took part and to my colleagues for organising and setting up the Sports Days so well. A special thank you to Mrs Wood who is our PE/Sports Leader for all the time and effort she has put into ensuring that the Sports Days went well and also organising Y5 & Y6's Sports Day at Rossett School.

ROSSETT'S GOT TALENT – REMINDER

Rossett's Got Talent is almost here. Application forms should be returned by Monday so your child can participate in their class showcase. Thanks to everyone that has returned theirs so far, we are looking forward to seeing all the skills and talents around school. The application form will tell you the date that your teacher is holding their showcase.

All participants will receive 10 house points. Children can perform either live in school or send in a pre-recorded video. The acts can be a celebration of any skill or ability, such as dance, singing, musical instrument, sport, artwork, magic, comedy. One act from each class will perform in the Rossett's Got Talent celebration assembly on Friday 14th July. Contact your class teacher if you have further questions. We look forward to seeing the showcase of talent we have here at school.

HARROGATE DISTRICT WALK TO SCHOOL DAY – THIS FRIDAY: YOU MAY SEE A SPECIAL VISITOR!

Get active whilst helping combat climate change! Can you leave the car at home for most, if not all, of the school run on Friday 30th June?

49% of our district's carbon emissions come from transport, which makes it the largest contributor to our district's carbon footprint. It's also 28% above the UK average! By choosing a more sustainable form of transport, you can do your bit to help protect our communities and our planet by tackling climate change. Even if you live too far from school to walk or cycle all the way, there are other options such as public transport, car sharing or 'park and stride' – this is where you park sooner than normal and walk the last part. All these options will help lower our carbon footprint. Every mile counts!

The physical and mental health benefits of exercise are well known, with studies also showing that walking to school improves concentration and helps students arrive ready to learn. Making the journey on foot, by bike or using public transport means fewer vehicles on the road, benefitting the wider community with less traffic and cleaner air.

Zero Carbon Harrogate will be awarding all schools that take part this year, with a gold award to those that do so most regularly – so let's build great transport habits and choose a sustainable method of travel on the day and beyond!
Every mile counts!

Please go to www.zerocarbonharrogate.org.uk/harrogate-district-walk-to-school-day for more information.

For guidance on road safety please go to <https://www.sustrans.org.uk/our-blog/get-active/2019/everyday-walking-and-cycling/walking-safety-tips-for-children/>

GOVERNOR ELECTION

We currently have a position for a Parent Governor on our Board of Governors. A letter was sent out via Arbor today explaining what is expected if you are interested in becoming a Governor. If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Kirsty Macnair in the school office.

VACANCIES

Midday Supervisor Assistant

We currently have a vacancy for a MSA in school. Please contact the school office for further details.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Leeds United Premier League Kicks

Please follow the link for information about free football activities taking place around the Leeds area.
<https://www.leedsunited.com/foundation/bfootball-sports-activity/premier-league-kicks>

I hope you have a fabulous weekend. Don't forget that it is walk to school day **tomorrow**. You may see someone familiar at the Arthurs Avenue side of school tomorrow morning as you come into school. I wonder who it could be?



Corrine Penhale
Headteacher