



# **ROSSETT ACRE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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*'Excellence and happiness for all'*



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## **NEWSLETTER FOR ROSSETT ACRE – 19 October 2023**

### **Forthcoming dates for your diary**

Thurs 19 Oct	EYFS, Y1, Y2, Y3 Story Evening 6-7pm <b>TONIGHT.</b>
Fri 20 Oct	Walk to School Day – BBC York attending, see info below.
Fri 27 Oct	<b>*NEW*</b> Cake Bake – see details below.
Fri 27 Oct	Close for half term holiday at the normal school time.
Mon 6 Nov	School re-opens at the usual time.
Thurs 9 Nov	Parents' Evening – In Person – Details to follow.
Sat 11 Nov	PTA Jumble Sale 10-12pm. Details below.
Mon 13 Nov	Flu vaccination programme <a href="https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/northyorkshire">https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/northyorkshire</a>
Tues 14 Nov	<b>*NEW*</b> Parents' Evening – Online – Details to follow.
Thurs 16 Nov	<b>*NEW*</b> Open Day for new starters 2024 – details below
Fri 17 Nov	Children in Need.
Thurs 23 Nov	Year 4 Nell Bank Parents' Meeting 6pm.
Fri 1 Dec	<b>*NEW*</b> Walk to School Day
Tues 5 Dec	<b>*NEW*</b> Year 3 Temple Newsam Visit

What a busy week we have had. I started the week off with an assembly linked to road safety, particularly the use of mobile phones when walking near to/crossing roads and the importance of 'looking up' and being aware of your surroundings to keep yourself safe. The children were great at answering my questions and we even looked at some footage of 'smart crossings' being trialled in other countries.

I also informed the children that myself and other HT's in Harrogate have been working with Oatlands & Pannal Ash Road Safety & Active Travel Campaign, which includes a parent from our school, Jenny Marks, campaigning for 20mph zones to be in place around schools and generally to make our streets safer. It is so important that we keep our children safe, particularly when coming to, and going home from school.



The Road Safety School Group met again this week at Rossett School to discuss progress to date. A presentation from North Yorkshire Council officers on the plan for delivering 20mph in South and West Harrogate was also given. See the article below for details.

[Landmark Harrogate road safety and transport package unveiled - The Stray Ferret](#)

## **HARVEST FESTIVAL**

Yesterday, Y1 – Y6 walked down to St Marks Church where we held our Harvest Festival. Each year group performed and shared facts about Harvest in different areas of the World:

Y1: Gave an introduction to Harvest

Y2: England

Y3: Indonesia

Y4: Italy

Y5: America

Y6: China

I learned some very interesting facts about olives from Y4's performance and Rev Liz Resch also commented the same. Rev Resch closed our Harvest event, asking a couple of children from Y5 and Y6 to help her with an activity.

It was such a lovely event and the children performed so well. We also sang several songs relating to Harvest. As always, 'Conkers' was a big hit with the children.

The children were great ambassadors for our school and I was very proud of them.

Thank you so much to all parents/carers who sent in donations for our Harvest Festival which this year will be donated to Harrogate District Foodbank. As you can see from the photo below, your generosity was great and will really support those in need.



Thank you to my colleagues, our children and to all the parents/carers who walked to and from the church with us – we couldn't do this without you! A huge thank you to everyone at St Marks Church and Reverend Liz Resch for allowing us to hold our Harvest Festival there again this year and to Miss Matthews who played the piano for us at the church.

A special thank you goes to Mrs Bridge who organised the event and did such a wonderful job.

## **OPEN DAY**

Today, we are holding our first Open Day of the year for parents/carers of children who will begin school in September 2024. If you know of anyone who has a child starting school in September, please let them know that we have another Open Day on Thursday 16 November and encourage them to come along. They can book a place using the following link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/open-days-thursday-19th-october-and-thursday-16th-november-2023-tickets-717067065897?aff=oddtcreator>

## **ROSSETT ACRE IS TAKING PART IN HARROGATE DISTRICT WALK TO SCHOOL DAY – FRIDAY 20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER – THIS FRIDAY (BBC RADIO YORK ARE ATTENDING)**

We are again taking part in the Walk to School Day initiative and this time BBC Radio York are going to be in attendance at the school gates on Richmond Avenue at the start of the school day. They will be meeting with Fiona Jones (parent and organiser) and John the School crossing patrol at 8.20am before walking down to our school gates.

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 20<sup>th</sup> October.

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.

Please go to [www.zerocarbonharrogate.org.uk/harrogate-district-walk-to-school-day](http://www.zerocarbonharrogate.org.uk/harrogate-district-walk-to-school-day) for more information and to see some familiar faces, look at the photos in this link.

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/>

### **QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

"We think sometimes that poverty is only being hungry, naked, and homeless. The poverty of being unwanted, unloved, and uncared for is the greatest poverty. We must start in our own homes to remedy this kind of poverty." (Mother Teresa)

### **PICTURE BOOK ASSEMBLY**



Today, Mr Marshall read 'The Queen on our Corner' by author Lucy Christopher and illustrated by Nia Tudor, which links to 'One World Week – Poverty and Homelessness Day.'

This is a lovely story about nobody noticing the Queen on the corner (a homeless person) except for one little girl. When the Queen warns of danger on the street, can the little girl bring the community together to notice the Queen?

You can see the book trailer here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SE3fWAmvO3A>

If you would like to hear the story for yourself, you can do so here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G1qylmXS1FQ>

The music this week was: Mad World – Gary Jules

**Attendance for the week Monday 16 October to Thursday 19 October 2023**

**95.64%**

## BOOK DONATION

Carol Gunn from Baker Preston Estate Agents kindly donated 15 books to school as part of their birthday celebrations "15 books for 15 schools". Our librarians Bethany G, Willow G and Olly D kindly accepted the books on behalf of school. The books have been shared out amongst the classes.



## SPONSORED READ

The children enjoyed their Sponsored Read week in school. Some classes had 'fireside reading', others wore their slippers for reading sessions and talked to the class about favourite books. Miss Dodgson's class also enjoyed reading picture books to Mrs Wood's class.

Thank you if you have already donated your child's Sponsored Read money to school via ParentPay. It is not too late to join in with the Sponsored Read. Please could all monies be collected and paid by the end of term. Thank you.

**Eco Committee's Weekly Top Tip:**  
**Use energy saving light bulbs**

## PTA JUMBLE SALE - Reminder

The PTA Jumble Sale is on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November, from 10am - 12 noon. We need volunteers to make this event a big success. Helpers are needed on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November, anytime between 2pm and 5pm to help set up. Even if you can just spare a half an hour it would be helpful. We also need volunteers to help man the stalls on the Saturday morning, either at 9.45am or at 10.45am for one hour. Please email Mrs Vlack if you are able to help: [vlackg@rap.rklt.co.uk](mailto:vlackg@rap.rklt.co.uk). We also need people who might be able to come after the sale at 12noon with their car to take leftovers to local charity shops. Thank you.

Please start saving your jumble donations at home. We need clothing in good condition (adults and children), accessories, toys, bric a brac and homewares. No books please. Collect everything at home until after the half term holiday, and ask your friends and family to do the same. Thank you

## CAKE BAKE

There will be a cake sale on the last day of term from 3.20pm outside the Year 6 classrooms. Please can parents donate cakes, shop bought or home-made, with no nuts and provide a list of ingredients used. Please bring cakes to your child's class on the morning of the sale. Many thanks for your support.

## LEGO LUNCH CLUB

If anyone has any Lego figures that they no longer need, our Lego club would be very grateful for them. Please drop them off at your child's class marked for the attention of Mrs Tinfina. Many thanks.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### St Mark's Church

All children are invited to St. Mark's Church for the Light up the Dark Party on Tuesday 31st October at 4.30pm. A fun evening of food, games and crafts.

Register online: <https://stmarks.churchsuite.com/events/bgom9okq>

### Inclusive Family Financial Education Events ([campaign-for-learning.org.uk](https://campaign-for-learning.org.uk))

Join one of our funded workshops on how to help children with neurodiversity and additional learning and support needs, learn about money.

This workshop offers a new approach to learning about money for families and children with diverse needs, including autism spectrum disorders and social, emotional and behavioural difficulties.

## CLICK ON POSTERS TO ENLARGE



Day 1: 15/11/2023 09:30 - 12:00

Title: Day 1 - Unlocking Autism for Parents

Venue: Online

Trainer: Katy Andrews

### NYES SEND and Inclusion

#### Unlocking Autism for Parents

Unlocking Autism is a free course for parents and carers of children and young people with communication and interaction needs

#### Outline

The online programme includes 5 sessions covering Autism, Behaviour, Communication, Sensory differences and Resilience, providing practical tools and strategies to support children and young people.

#### Description

Unlocking Autism is a free course for parents and carers of children and young people with communication and interaction needs. Children do not need to have a diagnosis of autism in order for parents to attend.

#### Audience

Parents and Carers within North Yorkshire

#### Booking Information

Please ensure that it is the DELEGATE information that is booked in order that joining link and instructions for the course or any pre-course information is then available for the delegate.

Delegates please log on 15 minutes before the start of the training so you can resolve any audio or video problems.

You will find a link to the course documents including joining instructions, meeting ID (if required) and any supporting documentation in your booking confirmation email and in the subsequent reminder(s).

#### Programme



## Unlocking Autism for Parents

Assisting parental understanding of autism, communication and sensory needs.

#### Who is it for?

- Unlocking Autism is a free course for parents and carers of children and young people with communication and interaction needs. You must live in North Yorkshire or your child attend a North Yorkshire school or setting to be eligible. Children do not need to have a diagnosis of autism in order for parents to attend.

#### What will I learn?

- The programme includes sessions on behaviour, emotional regulation, Communication, sensory differences and autism providing practical tools and strategies to support children and young people.

#### When does the course take place?

- This is an online course which consists of five sessions which either run over two full days or as five, 2 hour webinars. It is recommended that parents/carers complete all five sessions in order to derive maximum benefit from the programme.

#### How do I book?

- To book a place please use the following link: Global Search | North Yorkshire Education Services ([nyestraining.co.uk](https://nyestraining.co.uk))
- You will need to register on the website first, and make sure you put **parent** in the job title/organisation boxes and 'attend training course' in reason section. Please follow the instructions in this leaflet. Then you're all set up to go and book on to whichever course suits you best.

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Sunday, October 29th 2023  
1pm and 5pm  
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## ACTIVITY CAMPS

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I hope you all have a super weekend.

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