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NEWSLETTER FOR ROSSETT ACRE – 22 February 2024

Forthcoming dates for your diary	
Fri 23 Feb	TOMORROW PTA Quiz Night. Further information below
Thurs 7 March	*NEW* World Book Week
Mon 11 March	*NEW* Science Week
Fri 15 March	*NEW* Walk to School Day and Comic Relief Day
Fri 22 March	*NEW* KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade – Time to be confirmed
Fri 22 March	*NEW* Finish for Easter at 2.30pm
Mon 8 April	*NEW* School opens at the usual time
W/c 29 April	*NEW* Book Fair – All week in the sports hall. Access from the playground.

Welcome back. I hope you all had a good half term break.

It has been lovely to see the children and get back into the swing of school life.

On Tuesday this week, we held a fire drill. I was very impressed with the way the children dealt with this and how quietly and sensibly they left the building and lined up on the playground. A great job by all.

Sad news to pass on – A past employee sadly passed away just before the half term break. If you have been a parent here since before 2019, you may have known Mrs Joyce Hannam, who was a teaching assistant at our school for 15 years. Our thoughts and sincere condolences are with her family and friends.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today.' (H.Jackson Brown, Jr – author)



PICTURE BOOK ASSEMBLY



Today, Mrs Reddish read a Little People, Big Dreams book about Marie Curie; written by Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara and illustrated by Frau Isa. This book linked to International Day of Women and Girls in Science (Feb 11th)

The music played this week was: Kraftwerk – Radioactivity

If you'd like to hear the story for yourself, you can do so here: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZFvxPALiDsw</u>

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the children who received a certificate in last week's Celebration Assembly: James K (AC), Emilia F (SK/CN), Luke L (ER), Emilia H (JW), Deimante G (EM), Will M (PA/EH), Annabelle E (MW), Bethany G (SK).

Lunchtime Award: Congratulations to George P (Y4) whose winning ticket was drawn out for great behaviour at lunchtime.



I am pleased to report that we have been awarded the Red Kite Alliance RED AWARD (Respect - Equality-Diversity). We are only the second school in the alliance of about 58 schools to gain the award and the first primary school and first RKLT school. Miss Dodgson has worked hard to complete extensive paperwork to create evidence to support this. The evidence shows Rossett Acre has a broad, diverse curriculum of learning and other experiences which develop our children into fairminded citizens of the future.

FINANCIAL EDUCATION AND ENTERPRISE UPDATE - OUR NEW POP UP SHOP!

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Year 5 and Year 2 enterprise projects so far this year. All classes in school will be running their own enterprise project annually.

YEAR 5

In December, Year 5 made and sold wooden reindeer Christmas decorations. Both classes made a profit during their enterprise project. As community is one of our 3 C's at Rossett Acre, all classes have to do something kind for the community with a portion of their profits.

Year 5 MW/JK decided to spend £10 on cakes as treats for the residents in a local care home. The cakes have now been delivered and were gratefully received. The remaining profits will be spent on some new wet playtime games, a class cinema treat and some other items to enhance the classroom.

Year 5 SC/SK are going to buy some items to donate to the Baby Bundle Appeal, Harrogate (who make bundles containing toiletries and other essentials for the babies and families on the Special Care Baby Unit (SCBU) at Harrogate Hospital). The class would like to invest their remaining profits into new books for their reading corner.

YEAR 2

Year 2 were the first year group to sell directly from our brand new pop up shop and what a success! Year 2 made sweetie cones and sold out on their first day of trading! Well done Year 2. For their community spend, Year 2 are going to buy some new books for the children at Little Crickets Pre-school. They have also decided to spend their remaining profits on a well deserved class treat!

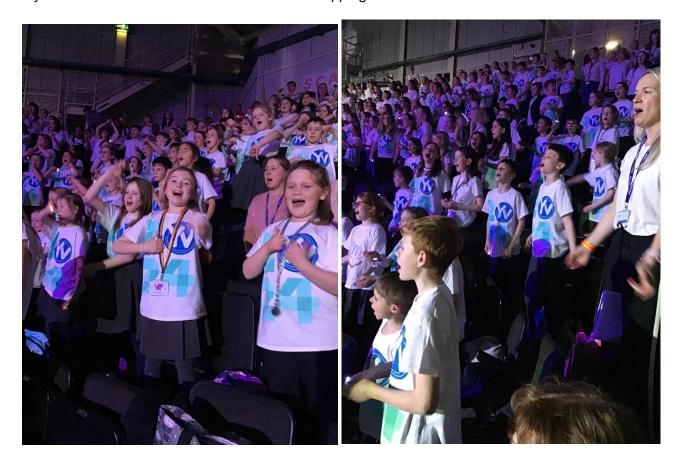
YOUNG VOICES

On Friday 9th February, we took 59 children to Sheffield to participate in Young Voices. There were over 4,000 children singing in Sheffield Arena and the atmosphere was electric. This is such a feel good and exciting event and the children and staff attending all thoroughly enjoyed the experience, as did I. Guest artists on stage included MC Grammar, Natalie Williams and Nandi Bushell, who at only the age of 13 is already a drumming star! Our children were 'wowed' by all the talent and the bright lights and volume of sound and loved it when Rossett Acre got a shout out from the conductor David Lawrence.

Parents/carers even got to join in with some funky street dance moves led by Urban Strides and participated in a huge Mexican wave around the whole arena. The children sang enthusiastically and were well-behaved throughout the whole event, (we had a rehearsal in the afternoon before the main event in the evening). I was super proud of the children who were great ambassadors for Rossett Acre. We eventually arrived back at school at 11pm, so it was a late night for all of us but it was so worth it.

A huge thank you to Mrs Stott, Mrs Bridge, Mrs Tinfina, Mrs Nunns and Mrs Blyde who also volunteered their time to attend with the children and particularly to Mrs Stott and Mrs Bridge for organsing the event. The feedback from parents/carers who came to the evening was very positive and full of praise for the children.

Afterwards some of the children said: It was really cool! Tiffany W One of the best times of my life and I really enjoyed singing Matilda. George S It was amazing! Luke D My favourite bit was when MC Grammar was rapping. Joe B



Attendance: Friday 9 February to Thursday 22 February 2024 95.34%

Number of pupils late at least once this week - 15

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





Eco Committee's Weekly Top Tip:

Collect rain water in a water butt

PTA EVENTS – QUIZ NIGHT



Don't forget that it is the PTA Quiz Night on Friday this week. There are still some tickets left. Please sign up following the link below.

The PTA Annual Quiz is taking place on Friday 23rd February at 7pm in the Sports Hall at Rossett Acre. It's a fun event and a chance to enjoy a night out with other parents.

Tickets are on sale now <u>https://www.pta-</u> events.co.uk/rossettacre/index.cfm

The Pauline Quirke Academy



Save The Pinewoods, Rotary Wood TREES NOT PLASTIC Say NO! to DANONE

WHAT IS HAPPENING?

Harrogate Spring Water (est. 2002), owned by multi-national corporation Danone, have reverted to 2017 outline planning to expand their plastic bottle plant and destroy Rotary Wood:

- 4 acres of deciduous woodland planted (2005) by the community including school children, partly to tackle 'climate change'.
- Designated Asset of Community Value; well used and loved by local residents.
- Connectivity between North and South woods, supporting biodiversity,
- Development not in line with Government climate emergency declaration,
- Not in line with HBC/North Yorkshire Council Climate Change Strategy (draft), Carbon Reduction Strategy, Biodiversaly Action Plan, Habitat Action Plan Woodland, Species Action Plan Bats, or the Tree and Woodland Policy.

GREENWASHING THE TRUTH STIL.





PLEASE OBJECT NOW! SEE INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF.

DEADLINE: 10TH MARCH (COMMENTS MIGHT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE)

Stay in touch via email: SaveRotaryWaadAgain@proton.me

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HOW TO OBJECT:

- Go online: www.northyorks.gov.uk Click on the following links: -View Planning Applications -View and comment on planning applications in your area (select twice) Type 'Harrogate' and select Click on 'Public Access' Login or register first to login Simple search: Type code: 20/01539/REMMAJ Click 'comment': add your comment Remember to select 'object'

Alternatively email comments to: planningcomments.har@northyorks.gov.uk



INFORMATION TO CONSIDER:

Loss of community asset. Public access to 4.25-acre ACV woodland drastically reduced. 2-acre strip of privately owned (Danone/HSW) land does not compensate. No Arboricultural Impact Assessment (BS5837 tree survey). Danone 450 tree count and 3:1 ratio incorrect. 1,500+ trees counted within development site with 20 years growth: optimal carbon sequestration stage. 1,200 saplings: not compensation or 'like for like'. ested within ecological advice. No

No Biodiversity Management Plan, as suggested within ecologica guarantees for the future of the woodland, including 2-acre area.

Scale of building components are larger than 2016 Design and Access Statement, extra building plus change of use. Not in line with Danone's reasons to expand: public misled.

Public amenity: planted by the community. Well-used and well-loved. A valuable resource we hoped to enjoy for years to come.

Insufficient bat survey: bat activity present. Further surveys during May and July desired, in line with Bat Conservation Trust Survey Guidelines (2016) Incomplete ecological report:15% of site not assessed which 'could have concealed...

protected species evidence.' (Survey .27) No nesting or roosting features on buildings, as suggested within ecological advice.

oss of valuable habitat: evidenced badgers foraging on site, priority species bats and Dutch rush (local priority flora species).

Traffic increase/Highway safety concerns.

Climate Emergency: not in line with council climate emergency declaration or policies, such as BAP, and Climate Change Strategy: increased greenhouse gasses: CO2 (Industry and Transport), plastic pollution, water extraction during global water crisis, water pollution (hazardous substances: microplastics), deforestation at 'tipping point'.

Development contradicts Danone deforestation policy

Reputation of our home town Harrogate: 'for people and planet', or 'profit and plastic'



NEW

OBJECTION

DEADLINE:

10th

March

X Stay in touch: saverotarywoodagain @proton.me



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Resurrected Bites



Join Us for an Open Afternoon at New Park Groceru!

We're excited to invite you to a special event at New Park Grocery! Whether you're from a referral agency or a member of the public interested in our groceries, this is for you!



An Open Afternoon: 28th February 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

- Explore our services for support and help Get to know our team and ask any questions
- How individuals can sign up
- An opportunity to give us feedback on how we support our communities Learn about Resurrected Bites Groceries support for those facing financial challenges



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GRACIOUS ST METHODIST CHURCH CHAPEL STREET KNARESBOROUGH HG5 BAN

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I hope you all have a super weekend.

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