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*Our school:*

*'Excellence and happiness for all'*



Charity No.1048680

## NEWSLETTER FOR ROSSETT ACRE – 14 March 2024

### Forthcoming dates for your diary

Fri 15 March	Walk to School Day and Comic Relief Day – Details below
Tues 19 Mar	Parents Evening 4-7pm - Online Letter can be found at: <a href="https://www.rossettacreprimary.co.uk/latest/letters/">https://www.rossettacreprimary.co.uk/latest/letters/</a>
Weds 20 Mar	Mrs Williams/Mrs King's Parents Evening – Online <a href="https://www.rossettacreprimary.co.uk/latest/letters/">https://www.rossettacreprimary.co.uk/latest/letters/</a>
Thurs 21 Mar	Parents Evening 4-7pm - In Person Letter can be found at: <a href="https://www.rossettacreprimary.co.uk/latest/letters/">https://www.rossettacreprimary.co.uk/latest/letters/</a>
Fri 22 March	KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade – 1.30pm.
Fri 22 March	Finish for Easter at 2.30pm <b>*NEW*</b> Doughnut Sale from 2.20pm on the playground
Mon 8 April	School opens at the usual time
W/c 29 April	Book Fair – All week in the sports hall. Access from the playground.
Mon 6 May	School Closed – May Bank Holiday
Tues 7 May	School re-opens.
Fri 10 May	Walk to School Day

This week has been Science Week at Rossett Acre. On Friday, last week, Mrs Reddish lead a whole school science assembly to introduce our Science Week activities this week. Mrs Reddish showed the children some images of inventions that had been created through time, and asked the children if they could identify what the item was in the image. The image of a toaster, from the early 1900s, had the children stumped for a while. There were gasps of wonder as the children learned what each item was, which was lovely to see. A huge thank you to Mrs Reddish for leading the assembly and for organising Science Week for us – it has been amazing and lots of interesting scientific information has been learned.

Look out for more information in next week's newsletter, but here's just a taster from Year 4.



This week we have been keeping a daily weather diary to look for patterns in the weather, had a daily science challenge - such as making a whiteboard balance on a piece of paper, and investigating how adding different fruit can affect the setting of jelly. We've had some lively debates about which is the best electrical invention of all time as well as discussing some thought-provoking questions such as "Can you think of something positive, negative and interesting if we weren't able to have batteries?" One of the best positive answers from the class was: "If we didn't have batteries, we wouldn't have iPads and screens and so we would get outside more and be more active. This would be good for our well-being too." A very mature answer from a Year 4 child, we thought.



### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

**"Don't wait for the right moment to start, start and make each moment right."**

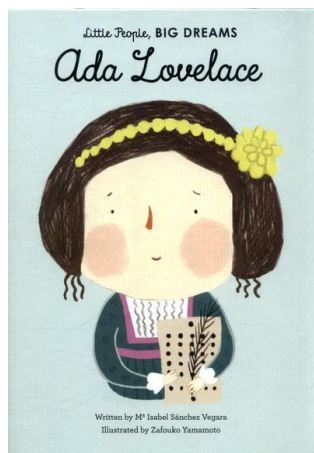
(Roy T. Bennett - author of 'The Light in the Heart' book.)

### PARENTS' EVENING

Don't forget that the links are now open for you to book an appointment to see your child's class teacher (in person or online). You can do this by going to our website and viewing the letter:

<https://www.rossettacreprimary.co.uk/latest/letters/>

### PICTURE BOOK ASSEMBLY



Today, Mrs Sims read a Little People, Big Dreams book about 'Ada Lovelace' the British mathematician and daughter of Lord Byron. The book, written by Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara and illustrated by Zafouko Yamamoto, was used for our Picture Book Assembly this week. This linked to Pi Day, which was today, 14<sup>th</sup> March.

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

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=14RKdNgxwuw>

The Music played this week was Kate Bush: Pi



## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

In celebration of International Women's Day last Friday, the KS2 girls were invited to join in the national initiative '#letgirlsplay' by playing football with Mrs Wood on the multi-surface pitch during their lunch break. We had an overwhelming number of girls who joined in these sessions and thoroughly enjoyed playing football together. We also received a certificate for taking part in the football sessions.



#LET  
GIRLS  
PLAY



**BIGGEST  
EVER  
FOOTBALL  
SESSION**

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SCHOOL  
PARTNERSHIPS  
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Take part in a record breaking Biggest Ever Football Session on  
8th March 2024

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the children who received a certificate in last week's Celebration Assembly: Ruben K (CN/SK), Anya B (AB), Willow W (JW), Jayden D-G (EM), Euan M (JJ/CR), Charlotte F (KM), Angelica C, Lawrence R (AI/LS), James B (PA/EH), Maggie P (MW), Martha C (SK).

**Attendance: Friday 8 March to Thursday 14 March 2024**

**95.25 %**

Number of pupils late at least once this week – 11

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

### How do we monitor your child's attendance?

If your child is absent from school, first we will phone you. If we have no response, we will complete a home visit.

<b>95.5%</b>	Your child's attendance target
<b>Below 95%</b>	Child's attendance monitored by school
<b>Below 90%</b>	Child is considered a persistent absentee

190 DAYS FOR YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION EACH YEAR	10 DAYS ABSENCE  180 DAYS OF EDUCATION	19 DAYS ABSENCE  A MONTH MISSED OF EDUCATION	29 DAYS ABSENCE  A WHOLE HALF TERM MISSED	38 DAYS ABSENCE  2 MONTHS OF SCHOOL MISSED	47 DAYS ABSENCE  NEARLY 1/4 OF SCHOOL YEAR MISSED
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
<b>Good</b>  <b>Best chance of success!!</b>		<b>Worrying</b>  30 hours of maths missed 45 hours of English missed 15 hours of playing with friends missed 12 hours of PE missed		<b>Serious concern—possible court action</b>  50 hours of maths missed 75 hours of English missed 25 hours of playing with friends missed 20 hours of PE missed	

**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**

## COMIC RELIEF & WALK TO SCHOOL DAY – FRIDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH (TOMORROW)



We are excited to be taking part in Red Nose Day tomorrow; the theme is 'Do Something Funny for Money.'

Don't forget, you can choose one or more of the following options when you come to school tomorrow:

- **Wear Red**
- **Look funny for money – crazy hair, face paint etc (Please note: Any crazy hairstyle should be temporary and any dye needs to be washed out of hair by Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March, when hairstyles/colours need to be back to normal for the beginning of the school day.)**
- **Red Nose cake sale after school tomorrow at the 'pop up shop' on the playground near Year 6. (Don't forget to bring your money to buy a yummy bun.)**
- **Sponsored 'No tech for the week!' If your child would like a form, ask them to see Mrs Nimick.**
- **Wear a red nose, but they must not be shared.**

We ask that the children bring in £1 tomorrow if they are supporting Comic Relief. We also have a school Just Giving page which can be used for donating larger amounts such as a donation you may have made to Comic Relief anyway; or any sponsor money raised.



The link to our Just Giving page is [https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd24-rossett-acre-primary-school-4fd2a372-f691-4431-a477-ee43e101de4f?utm\\_campaign=lc\\_frp\\_share\\_transaction\\_transactional--page\\_launched--campaign&utm\\_content=e13abe21-58aa-4984-9960-e2c625d01201&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=postoffice&utm\\_term=1709030733233](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd24-rossett-acre-primary-school-4fd2a372-f691-4431-a477-ee43e101de4f?utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_transactional--page_launched--campaign&utm_content=e13abe21-58aa-4984-9960-e2c625d01201&utm_medium=email&utm_source=postoffice&utm_term=1709030733233)

We would like to stress that whilst Comic Relief and our theme of 'looking funny for money' is all meant to be good humoured, please ensure that choices are appropriate and that we are all back to normal for school on Monday.



Don't forget it is also **Walk to School Day tomorrow too**. Please do try to walk, cycle or scooter to school and help to make our roads safer and support our planet by reducing car emissions. Thank you.

Please go to [www.zerocarbonharrogate.org.uk/walk-to-school-day](http://www.zerocarbonharrogate.org.uk/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/>

## Eco Committee's Weekly Top Tip:

### Only boil as much as you need in a kettle.

#### LITTER PICKING

On Monday, children from Mrs Bridge's class took part in our first litter-pick of the school grounds with Mr Roberts. The children enjoyed looking after the environment and using the litter-pickers! We are hoping to have children from KS1 and EYFS to help Mr Roberts once a week.



## RED AWARD



Please note we are awaiting the arrival of the bespoke RED AWARD plaque and so this is our available photo so far.

In February, Rossett Acre Primary School, Harrogate, became the first Red Kite Learning Trust School to secure the full RED Award, having achieved the Certificate of Commitment to Equality and Diversity back in October 2022.

The school's Diversity Lead, Claire Dodgson, stated that central to the school's approach is the adoption of the 'No Outsiders' scheme, with lessons based around a series of common children's picture books: *"We expect the children to express their views with kindness and consideration for the feelings of others. Our key message is that we are all equal and we all belong; we are all insiders, there are no outsiders in our school."*

Rossett Acre were thrilled with the positive feedback they received from the assessment process which stated that the RED Award 'Self-Evaluation Progress and Impact' review and 'Evidence Pinboard' were very comprehensive and extremely impressive, demonstrating that Equality and Diversity are certainly not given tokenistic treatment at the school. In particular, the adoption of the 'No Outsiders' scheme and introduction of weekly Diverse Picture Book assemblies are described as being 'clever vehicles for achieving 'buy in' from the whole school community, ensuring that all pupils and all staff are actively engaged'. Indeed, each week different teachers read a picture book in assembly relating to a diversity, inclusion or awareness event. This can then be followed up in class with a discussion suitable for the age range of the children, allowing Diversity to be 'usualised' within the school community.

It was noted that Equality and Diversity clearly enjoy a special place at the heart of the curriculum at Rossett Acre, and is a particular strength of the school. This is achieved through so many different strands, not only in the wholehearted adoption of the No Outsiders scheme, but also with the work of different subject leaders to embed diverse voices and individuals into the curriculum. Pupils are supported to develop as knowledgeable, empathetic global citizens through poetry competitions, sustainability projects and national initiatives such as LGBT+ Pride and Holocaust Memorial Day, as well as through involvement with local community organisations including Vida Grange care home, Artizans, Henshaws and Horticap.

Achieving the RED Award has certainly been a whole school effort and we are so proud to be recognised for our efforts in promoting Diversity, Equality and Diversity at Rossett Acre.

[Harrogate primary school proud to win top award for inclusion from The Red Kite Alliance \(harrogateadvertiser.co.uk\)](https://www.harrogateadvertiser.co.uk)



## PTA END OF TERM DOUGHNUT SALE

# End of Term Doughnut Sale

Please pay what you can



MARCH 22nd  
From 2.20pm

ON THE PLAYGROUND

TO RAISE FUNDS FOR  
ROSSETT ACRE PTA

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Raring2Go! Spring Magazine - [CLICK HERE FOR MAGAZINE LINK](#)

## Half Term Activities

# Awesome Eats



**Come along and enjoy** a day full of various activities **including cooking.**

**Stay and eat** what you have cooked.

**£25** per child  
school years 1-7

Wednesday 27 March and  
Wednesday 3 April,  
8.30am - 4.30pm

Free places available if eligible for free school meals

**Contact 01423 521667 for more information and to book.**

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## FREE well-being Workshops for kids!

Looking for FREE activities this Easter holidays?  
Well look no further!

To celebrate the launch of our NEW well-being program for families we are hosting a FREE taster day on Wednesday 3rd April. There are workshops available for babes in arms up to year 6. Join us for our 'well-being Wednesday' taster day before the summer term begins.

**Location:** Enchantica's Workshop  
**Day:** Wednesday 3rd April 2024  
**Timeslots from:** 10:00am onwards  
**Ages:** Preschool to Yr 6 / ages 0-11yrs

See reverse for class info >>>

**Booking:**  
<https://bookwhen.com/enchanticasworkshop>




## 20%OFF Creative Dance & Musical Theatre all summer term

Come join us for the launch of our new dance-based class 'Creative Dance'! As a launch celebration we are offering 20% off these classes and our Musical Theatre classes for the summer term!

**Creative Dance:** An adventure of maximum expression through dance via a variety of styles to all your child's favourite songs. This class focuses on fun energetic movement, spatial awareness, coordination and control, breath work, warm up and cool down practice and much more.

**Musical Theatre:** Combining dance, singing, acting and physical theatre with connecting movement to lyrics, and memorising skills ready for the final performance.



**Booking:**  
<https://bookwhen.com/enchanticasworkshop>



## NOW TAKING BOOKINGS FOR EASTER & MAY HALF TERM

### HOLIDAY CLUB HOLIDAY CLUB



**YEAR 1 TO YEAR 6**  
**9AM-4PM EACH DAY**  
**OFSTED REGISTERED**  
**MULTI-AWARD WINNING**

FIND OUT MORE AND BOOK AT  
[BORNoftheforest.co.uk](http://BORNoftheforest.co.uk)



## Y6 SATS SUPPORT

Solve-It Sessions

### Maths Mystery

Wednesday 27th March - 10:00-12:00

### English Escape Room

Thursday 28th March - 10:00-12:00

**Venue:** Pannal Village Hall  
**Price:** £25 per 2hr session

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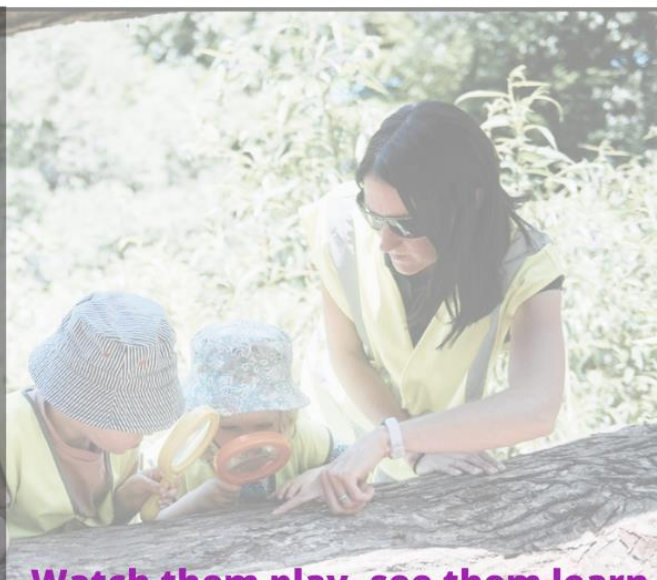



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## Little Crickets Pre-School - Vacancy

This is a wonderful opportunity to make a real difference to the early education and development of the children in our baby room.



**Watch them play, see them learn**

**We are looking for a qualified and experienced room leader to support the running of our new 18mths-2year old room.**

**Hours - 8:30am-3:15pm over 4/5 days a week - Term Time Only**

**Email [manager@little-crickets.co.uk](mailto:manager@little-crickets.co.uk) for further details**



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Our programme of learning for those wishing to become a Teaching Assistant is designed to offer recognised qualifications at a level to suit the individual. If you are looking for a worthwhile career that fits in with school hours, then this is the programme for you.

We ask all learners to first complete a free short **Introduction to working with children** course, where they will look at the basics of how schools function and determine which future learning pathway is right for each individual.

Upcoming online **Introduction to Working with Children** courses:

Tuesdays 09 April 2024 - 30 April 2024, 09:30 - 11:30  
Wednesdays 10 April 2024 - 01 May 2024, 18:00 - 20:00  
Fridays 07 June 2024 - 28 June 2024, 09:30 - 11:30

Progression is then to one or more of the following NCFE CACHE qualification courses:

Level 1 Award in Preparing to Work in Schools  
Level 2 Award in Support Work in Schools and Colleges  
Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning  
Level 3 Diploma in Supporting Teaching and Learning



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I hope you all have the most fabulous weekend.

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