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 'Excellence and happiness for all'*

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NEWSLETTER FOR ROSSETT ACRE – 12 December 2024

Forthcoming dates for your diary

Mon 16 Dec	KS2 Christmas Concert St Mark's Church 7pm. Rehearsal in morning.
Mon 16 Dec	EYFS Christmas party
Tues 17 Dec	Christmas parties – Y5 am & Y3 pm
Wed 18 Dec	Christmas parties – Y6 am & Y2 pm
Thurs 19 Dec	Christmas parties – Y1 am & Y4 pm
Fri 20 Dec	Close for Christmas 2.30pm
Mon 6 Jan	Training Day
Tues 7 Jan	School opens
Tues 14 Jan	*NEW* Mrs Wood's Class assembly 9.10am
Weds 15 Jan	*NEW* Miss Illingsworth Class Assembly 9.10am
Thurs 16 Jan	Y6 SATS Parents' Meeting – Time TBC
Thurs 6 Feb	*NEW* Parent afternoon tea 2-3pm Open Classrooms 3-3.30pm

On Tuesday and Wednesday this week, EYFS and our Y1/2 children performed their Nativity/Christmas productions. Lots of parents/carers joined us in the hall for these Christmassy treats. The children were absolutely amazing and were so brave performing in front of an audience, especially as their ages ranged from 4 years old to 7 years old! I watched the performances on Wednesday, and I was so proud of them all. Due to a prior engagement, I was unable to watch the performances on Thursday and would like to thank Mrs Lamb and Mrs Ingle who did the thank yous at the end. They were very impressed too. They have been practising so hard and all their hard work certainly paid off. Well done to all the children and to my colleagues in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 who supported the children.

A big thank you to all parents/carers who joined us – I hope you thoroughly enjoyed the performances; thanks also to those of you who helped your children learn their lines and provided costumes too.

It certainly feels like the Christmas season now!

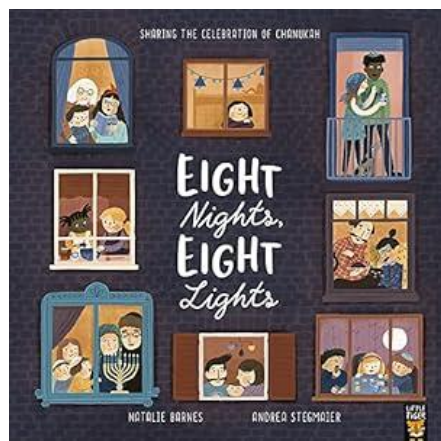


Congratulations to Mrs Ingle/Mrs Sims class and Mrs Haslam/Mrs Aslam's class who performed their class assembly for parents on Thursday. This linked to their Year 4 WWII work they have been doing in class. I hear they were amazing! Thanks to Mrs Stott for playing the piano and to our Year 4 colleagues for supporting the children.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'We do not remember days, we remember moments.' (Cesare Pavese, writer and literary critic)

PICTURE BOOK ASSEMBLY



On Wednesday, Mrs Aslam read 'Eight Nights, Eight Lights' by author Natalie Barnes and illustrator Andrea Stegmaier.

Hanuakkah is the Jewish Festival of Light (Dec 7 – 15th) and this book provides more information about this festival for those reading it.

The music played this week was: The Yeshiva Boys Choir – Those were the Nights (of Chanukah)

If you would like to hear a few pages of the story for yourself, read by the author, you can do so here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eJSP3nLyzMM>

PANTO – BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

On Wednesday, last week, all children were treated to a performance of Beauty and the Beast by West End Theatre Group. Henry W and Phoebe C from Year 6, said it was entertaining and engaging, and that the songs were really good. I understand there was lots of audience participation!

YEAR 3 VISIT TO TEMPLE NEWSAM – THE TUDORS

On Thursday, last week, Year 3 visited Temple Newsam House as part of their work on The Tudors. They enjoyed a tour round the house, looking for clues, and making a timeline of the royalty and families who lived at Temple Newsam House. Children dressed up and practised their Tudor dancing. Staff commented on how knowledgeable the children were on Tudors. Thank you to all the staff and parent helpers who accompanied the children on the visit.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Today, it felt very Christmassy when everyone in school wore their Christmas jumpers. See some photos below.



CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Today, we were all treated to Christmas Lunch and Andrea, our cook, and the other wonderful ladies in the kitchen, put on a fabulous spread for us - it tasted amazing! We had Christmas music playing and lots of festive cheer.

A huge thank you to the kitchen staff for all their hard work.

READING AMBASSADOR NEWS

We have an army of about 60 Reading Ambassadors across school from Y1 to Y6.

Chloe, Bethany and Maggie in Year 6 have been busy this half term reviewing books and interviewing members of the school community to write their first Reading Ambassador Newsletter (attached here).

The Reading Ambassadors in each class then shared it with their classmates.

Reading Ambassadors from Y4-6 have been listening to children read in the younger classes on a daily basis. The teachers have commented on how well-organised the Reading Ambassadors are and how it is making a difference to the children they hear read.

We have also started our Secret Book Deliveries too - it's all a bit of a secret so ask your child if their class has had one yet! The Reading Ambassadors have plenty planned for 2025. Hope you all enjoy spending time reading over the Christmas holidays and spreading the gift of reading.

UTILITA FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

On Tuesday, 9 of our Year 6 pupils took part in the Utilita Kids Cup Football Tournament at Rossett School hosted by Harrogate Town Football Club. 14 schools took part, each playing 6 x 8 minute games. The children were very competitive, scoring some fabulous goals, and with Max making some excellent saves.

I'm proud to say they got through to the semi-final, playing against Oatlands. It was a hard fought match but we were narrowly beaten. However, the team showed their maturity by congratulating Oatlands and staying to watch the final between Oatlands and Pannal, with Pannal being victorious. Lee and Tom from Harrogate Town praised the children for getting to the semi-final and were presented with a team certificate. Well done to Erin W, Louisa S, Max W, Alfie L, Olly D, Daniel L, Daniel W, Harry W and Oscar B.

Thank you to Miss Blyde, Mrs Ramsay and Mrs Misseldine who gave up their time to accompany and support the children.



CHESS TOURNAMENT

On Saturday we entered two teams in the Harrogate & District Primary Chess Tournament. A total of 37 children represented 9 teams. Michael Stokes, the club Chairman said the “very enthusiastic children all competed in fairness and in a sporting manner. The competition was particularly fierce on board 1, where Archer K of Team “4 Move Mates” and 3 other school players all won 4 and lost 1”.

4th place was awarded to 4 Move Mates, 2nd out of all the primary schools that entered. The winners were the chess team from the Manhattan Junior Chess Club. Well done to Archer K, Max W, Jake D, Luke D (4 Move Mates) and Aiden D, Pearla B, Henry W (Rossett Team Mates) for taking part.

The "Best of" Photos have been added by the organisers to:

<https://www.facebook.com/JuniorChessHarrogate/>



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the children who received a certificate in last week's celebration assembly: Florrie T (AC), Joshua S-K (SK/CN) Henry B (RB), Violet W (HH), Ted H-B (ZM), Hargun K (KM/BS), Whole class (JJ/CR), Margot C (EW), Whole class (AI/LS), Tess B & Whole class (PA/EH), Will G (JW), George M-G (RI), Charlotte P (CD), Elizabeth C (TM).

ECO INFORMATION

Tie presents with twine or ribbon and reuse.

ATTENDANCE

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

**Attendance: Friday 5 December 2024 to 12 December 2024
93.86%**

Number of pupils late at least once this week: 11

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

Stay on Track

It is difficult to "catch up" when time is missed. Starting the day late can impact your child's entire day and affects the whole classroom



Reduce Anxiety

Your child will feel connected academically and socially when they have good attendance



Build Confidence

Good school attendance helps to build habits that will last a lifetime and transfer to life beyond public school



PTA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tomorrow is the final day to return your raffle stubs and money to be in with a chance of winning. Prizes include champagne, £75 cash, Rudding Park afternoon tea, Lightwater Valley tickets, a signed photo of Rachel Daly and many more.

Please make sure you hand the raffle stubs and money in before 3.30pm tomorrow. Winners will be announced on Monday, with prizes available to collect from school during the last week of term.

COMMUNITY

Rossett Acre is part of Harrogate Cluster Services who have sent out some information that may be useful over the Christmas period whilst school is closed for the holiday. If you need support, you could access the following:

For Safeguarding of children and young people

- Harrogate Children's Social Work Service: 0300 131 2 131 or social.care@northyorks.gov.uk
- NSPCC: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>
- Childline: 0800 1111 (Freephone) / <https://www.childline.org.uk/>

For children and young people's mental health and emotional well-being

- The Go To Harrogate: www.thegoto.org.uk
- Kooth: Ages 11 to 25 years: <https://www.kooth.com/>
- Young Minds: <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>
- Calm Harm App: For self-harm: <https://calmharm.co.uk/>
- Clear Fear App: For anxiety: <https://www.clearfear.co.uk/>
- Combined Minds App (to help friends and family provide support: <https://combinedminds.stem4.org.uk/>
- SHOUT: 24/7 free confidential text service. To start a conversation text the word SHOUT to 85258
- Suicidal ideation safety planning toolkit: papyrus-uk.org/resource-suicide-safety-plan/

- Self-help work books: <https://mindmate.org.uk/im-a-young-person/mmst-workbooks/>

For children and young people experiencing a mental health crisis

- You can now access mental health crisis support via NHS 111
- You can access an emergency mental health assessment via Children's Accident and Emergency at Harrogate District Hospital

For emergency situations

- Children's Accident and Emergency at Harrogate District Hospital
- Police on 999 in an emergency or 101 for non-emergencies

For Health:

- NHS helpline: 111
- Accident and Emergency at Harrogate District Hospital

For Domestic Abuse support:

- National Domestic Violence Helpline - 0808 2000 247 (24 hours a day - freephone) / <https://www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk/>
- Independent Domestic Abuse Services: 0300 011 0110 (Yorkshire) <https://idas.org.uk/>
- National Centre for Domestic Violence: <https://www.ncdv.org.uk/>

For Adult Mental Health Support:

- Samaritans: 116 123 (24 hours a day - freephone) / <https://www.samaritans.org/>
- NHS adult mental health support: <https://northyorkshireccg.nhs.uk/your-health-and-local-services/adult-mental-health/>

For Food Bank Support:

- Harrogate District Foodbank: <https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-help/find-a-foodbank/harrogate/>

For Family Support:

- Family Action – Family Line: 0808 802 6666/ 07537 404282 (text): <https://family-action.org.uk/>

For Housing & Welfare Support:

- Harrogate Housing Options: 01423 500 600 <https://www.harrogate.gov.uk/housing-options-homelessness-advice>

Or please visit www.tncp.co.uk where you can access information regarding a wider range of services.

Harrogate and District Community Action

How to help your child if Christmas makes them anxious. For those who think the holidays might be a difficult time for their child, tips from Young Minds <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/> for how you can alleviate the pressure and support their wellbeing.

Preparing for Christmas: autism resources

The Christmas period can be a very exciting but often stressful time for many autistic people. It can be a time with lots of change, social interaction and expectations. NAS have put together a list of resources that may prove helpful in making this time as special and stress free as possible.

<https://www.autism.org.uk/>

Inspire Youth Christmas Holiday Activities

Silent Disco & Festive Activities for ages 7-16

23 December, 4-8pm at Inspire Youth Yorkshire Community Hub

The silent disco will be split into 2 groups by age, where each group will have the option to participate in a silent disco, whilst the other will prepare and consume a buffet meal with involvement of everybody in a way to celebrate being with others.

Trip to Harrogate Climbing Centre for ages 11-16 years. 30 December, 3-7pm



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 TUESDAY 31ST DECEMBER
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 FRIDAY 3RD JANUARY

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 THURSDAY 2ND JANUARY
 FRIDAY 3RD JANUARY

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VENUE & KEY INFORMATION

AREA & VENUE	ENERGY	FOOTBALL	AGES	Monday 30 th December	Tuesday 31 st December	Thursday 2 nd January	Friday 3 rd January
ROSSETT SPORTS CENTRE	✓	✓	5-13	✓	✓	✓	✓

OTHER VENUES IN YORK

PRICES

STANDARD DAY - 8AM-4PM - £34.50
 EXTENDED DAY - 4PM-5:30PM - £6

CHILD CARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

PLANS CHANGED? ADD OUR INSURANCE OPTION ONTO YOUR BOOKINGS AND RECEIVE A REFUND, CREDIT OR CHANGE DAYS IF YOUR PLANS CHANGE!!

FLEXIBLE DROP OFF BETWEEN 8AM-9AM

CHOOSE TOTAL ENERGY!!!

TOTAL ENERGY IS OUR MUCH LOVED MULTI SPORT, ARTS & CRAFTS, OUTDOOR ADVENTUROUS, TEAM BUILDING FUN PROGRAMME FOR BOYS & GIRLS AGED 5-13!! OUR ENERGY PROGRAMME RUNS AT ROSSETT OVER THE FESTIVE PERIOD!!

TOTAL ENERGY ENCOMPASSES 50+ CHOICES OF ACTIVITIES AND 2 CHOICES EVERY SINGLE HOUR!! THIS CAN BE ANYTHING FROM FOOTBALL TO PAINTING, YOGA TO SWIMMING, HOCKEY TO DODGEBALL, CRAFTS TO DEN BUILDING, NERF TO TIC GAMES!!

THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE ON OUR TOTAL ENERGY PROGRAMME AND YOUR CHILDREN RULE THEIR DAYS WITH OUR CHOICES!! YOUR CHILDREN ARE SPLIT INTO AGE SPECIFIC GROUPS AND LED BY ONE OF OUR DBS CHECKED EXPERIENCED COACHING STAFF

WE PROMISE A HIGH ENERGY, VARIED DAY, FOR ALL INTERESTS AND AGES!!

TOTAL FOOTBALL!!

OUR DEDICATED FOOTBALL CAMPS WILL RUN THIS CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR AT ROSSETT SPORTS CENTRE! USING THE CENTRES BRILLIANT 4G PITCHES, YOUR CHILDREN WILL LOVE THEIR FOOTBALL DAYS WITH OUR QUALIFIED TEAM!

THE CAMPS ARE RUN BY OUR FA QUALIFIED COACHES AND ARE PERFECT FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE MAD ABOUT THEIR FOOTBALL!! EXPECT SKILLS, DRILLS, MATCHES AND TOURNAMENTS EVERY DAY OF THE FOOTBALL CAMPS!

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I hope you all have a wonderful weekend. Good luck with the crowds if you are Christmas shopping!

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