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*Our school:  
 'Excellence and happiness for all'*

Charity No.1048680

## NEWSLETTER FOR ROSSETT ACRE – 16 January 2025

### Forthcoming dates for your diary

Thurs 16 Jan	Y6 SATS Parents' Meeting – 5.30pm in Mrs Ingle's/Mrs Sims classroom.
Tues 21 Jan	<b>*NEW*</b> Mrs Wood's class assembly 9.10am.
Wed 22 Jan	<b>*NEW*</b> Y6 – CSI Day
Thurs 6 Feb	<b>*NEW*</b> Parent afternoon tea 2-3pm Open Classrooms 3-3.30pm
Fri 7 Feb	<b>*NEW*</b> Walk to School Day
Fri 14 Feb	<b>*NEW*</b> Close for half-term at normal school closing times.
Mon 24 Feb	<b>*NEW*</b> School re-opens
Thurs 13 Mar	<b>*NEW*</b> Miss Whiteley's class assembly 9.10am
Thurs 20 Mar	<b>*NEW*</b> Mrs Jones/Mrs Reddish class assembly 9.10am

Welcome back and happy 2025!

I do hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break and that 2025 started positively for you despite the inclement weather!

The snow certainly caused some problems and just as we were trying to get back to something more resembling normality this week, we came into school on Monday morning to find 3 classrooms flooded, (paddling pool, comes to mind!) and so we swapped snow shovels for mops and buckets! Incredibly, we then had a gas leak on Tuesday and had to evacuate the school! These things come to try us, but we march on determinedly. Fingers crossed for some calm now for this half term!

A huge thank you again, for all the lovely messages from parents and carers about how we managed the snow and gas leak situations – it really does mean a lot.

On Monday in assembly, I reminded the children of our school rules: **Ready, Respectful and Safe** and our Golden Rule: Treat others the way you would want to be treated. We also looked at and discussed some positive, motivational quotes from Avina Celeste about the following:

\*Each day being a blank slate to start again and to fill with our daily wishes and dreams.



- \*About being the person, you want to be and not being the person others want you to be.
- \*To keep trying even when you don't succeed at first – if you don't keep trying you will never succeed!
- \*Having a positive mindset.

I was really impressed with the children's answers to my questions. I also liked hearing about some of the goals our children have set themselves for this year, such as, behaving appropriately, learning new gymnastic moves, learning origami, becoming a black belt in Karate and for one child, even keeping their bedroom clean!

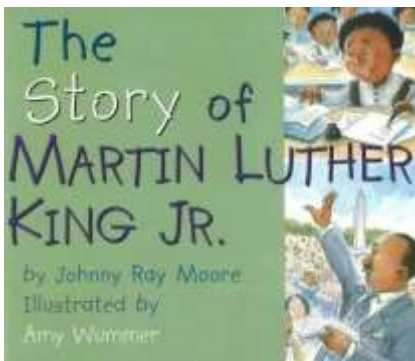
On Tuesday, Mrs Wood's class were due to perform their class assembly; unfortunately, that didn't occur due to the gas leak and evacuation of the school. It has been rescheduled to Tuesday 21 January at 9.10am. Apologies, for any inconvenience caused.

Yesterday, it was Miss Illingworth's Class Assembly, and I'm pleased to report that this went ahead. The children shared facts about what they had learned last term in their Science theme: 'Space and Earth', as well as showing us some of the fabulous artwork they had created and performing a rap for us! There was even the odd Space joke! Well done, Miss Illingworth's class, you were fabulous. A big thank you to the children, Miss Illingworth and to all the parents/carers who came to watch.

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'Enter this new year with a gratitude for this new chance to create your dreams.' (Avinia Celeste, writer)

### PICTURE BOOK ASSEMBLY



Yesterday, Mr Marshall read 'The Story of Martin Luther King Jr' written by author Johnny Ray Moore and illustrated by Amy Wummer. '

The story was read to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr Day which was on 15<sup>th</sup> January.

The music this week was: Stevie Wonder: Happy Birthday.

Stevie Wonder petitioned for years for a national holiday to celebrate the life of Martin Luther King Jr as a Civil Rights Activist.

If you would like to hear the story for yourself, you can do so here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wVMBqSB49Ns>

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the children who received a Governors Exemplary Behaviour certificate in the assembly before the end of term: Marjan H (AC), Xander S (SK/CN) Ivy T (RB), Emilia F (HH), Theo R-M (ZM), Arthur C (KM/BS), Mollie D (JJ/CR), Isobel W (EW), Jonah T (AI/LS), Archer K (PA/EH), Hollie S (JW), Amelie M (RI), Lois S (CD), Edward S (TM).

HT Award – Congratulations to Logan (Y3, CR/JJ) who received a HT Award before the Christmas break.

### WOULD YOU LIKE TO TRAIN TO BE A TEACHER?

One of our Trust schools, Coppice Valley primary is opening its doors to prospective Red Kite trainees on Tuesday 4th February, so that they can see a typical day in a primary school first-hand. If you know someone who is keen to start teaching primary, then this would be a fantastic opportunity to learn more about what it involves and how the Red Kite course is delivered. There will also be tips for completing the teacher training application form from the Red Kite team. To sign up visit <https://www.redkiteteachertraining.co.uk/primary-teaching-discovery-day/>

## ECO INFORMATION

Don't throw wearable clothes away.

Secondhand clothes can be sold online or donated to a charity shop.

(Or keep them until November when we have our next Jumble Sale!) 😊

## ATTENDANCE

**MOMENTS  
MATTER.  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**

Attendance has been affected recently by the snow and gas leak. However, our attendance on **Wednesday was 98.93% and today was 98.5%** which is fantastic, let's try and keep it going.

Number of pupils late at least once this week: 5

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



Did you know that if your child is just 5 minutes late to school each day, this is the equivalent of 3.4 whole school days in one year – that's 17 lessons!

# PE UPDATE FROM SPORTING INFLUENCE - WHAT OUR CHILDREN HAVE BEEN DOING IN SCHOOL.



## SPORTING INFLUENCE

Improving Social Skills Through Sport

### PE With Mrs Neate and Mr Atkinson

What a fantastic job Year 3 and Year 5 did with their Tudor Dance and Gymnastics, creating an environment where all children demonstrated impressive social skills. Whether learning the intricate steps of the historical dance or perfecting gymnastics routines, children were supportive of one another, offering encouragement and constructive feedback. This collaborative atmosphere helped everyone improve their own performance while also boosting the confidence and skills of their peers.

Year 6 started the year really well with gymnastics linked to the Anglo Saxons. They worked on developing their balancing and rolling skills and exploring a range of apparatus. This half term, Year 1 have been doing a space themed dance. Mrs Neate has been so impressed with the way the children have been moving to the beat and dancing in different formations! We have been working on a space themed routine which they have picked up really well and performed in groups to the rest of the class. Well done Year 1!

### After school Club

The after-school Football and Netball clubs have been a real success this term, with children showing excellent progress and development as they have significantly improved their football and netball skills as well as their fitness throughout the sessions; this alongside working together as a team to build confidence. Well done to you all!



Year 3 and 5 threw themselves into their Tudor Dance!



Year 1 children enjoyed developing their Space themed Dance.



To find out more visit:  
[www.sportinginfluence.com](http://www.sportinginfluence.com)

## COMMUNITY

### Family First Magazine

Please follow the link to the first edition of 2025.

<https://familyfirst.co.uk/issue1-25>

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**FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS**

AMAZING HALF TERM ACTIVITIES FOR BOYS & GIRLS AGED 5-13

8AM-5:30PM, OPEN EVERY DAY OF HALF TERM!!

**HARROGATE VENUES**

- ROSSETT SPORTS CENTRE
- HARROGATE LADIES COLLEGE

ALL VENUES RUNNING ENERGY PROGRAMME. FOOTBALL RUNNING AT ROSSETT SPORTS CENTRE ON THEIR EXCELLENT 4G PITCHES! SWIMMING RUNNING AT HARROGATE LADIES ON SELECTED DAYS - CHECK WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO!!

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**HARROGATE**

**JUNIOR HUB**

Our Junior session in Harrogate got off to a flying start so we are excited to be able to release more spaces, so more children can get involved.

Ashville Sports Centre  
Thursdays 6 til 7pm  
Children aged 7 to 11 years welcome!



**KINDER ♥ HARROGATE**

**Kindness Festival**  
18th January 2025  
11am to 3pm

Free family fun day at Harrogate College  
Hornbeam Park Avenue, HG2 8QT  
Free food, drinks and fun!  
Come and explore interactive games, crafts and activities from over 30 Harrogate charities and organisations that are here to make the world a better place.

If you have any questions email david@fulcirclefunerals.co.uk

Walker Foster, Home Instead, HARROGATE COLLEGE, Full Circle, Harrogate Neighbours, Zee, Harrow H21

The teams at Kinder Harrogate and Harrogate College take no responsibility for personal belongings on the day of the event, and any children attending must be supervised at all times by an appropriate person.

**Rock Climbing Clubs 2025**

Since 2021, we've been teaching young people how to become independent climbers. From **knot tying** to **belaying**, **bouldering** to **lead climbing** we progress through the essential skills both Indoor and Out, developing self confidence to fitness in a long-term hobby.

**Novices:** Wednesday - 17:00-19:00, Silsden Primary  
Friday - 17:00-19:00, Silsden Primary  
Saturday - 9:30-12:30, Climbing Hub/Ilkley  
Saturday - 11:30-13:30 or 13:45-15:45, Ermysted's  
Sunday - 9:30-11:30 or 11:45-13:45, Ermysted's

**Advanced:** Saturday - 9:30-12:30, Ilkley/Climbing

**Ages:** 11-16 (Silsden) 8-12 (Ermysted's) 8-17 (The Climbing Hub)

"THE CLIMBING SESSIONS NOT ONLY HELP WITH PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT BUT ALSO ARE BRILLIANT FOR BUILDING CONFIDENCE."

£20.00-27.50 per session

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I wish you all a super New Year and hope you all have a wonderful 2025.

Have a great weekend too, hopefully enhanced with a little bit of sunshine if Mother Nature is willing!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "C. Penhale", enclosed in a light pink rectangular box.

Corrine Penhale  
Headteacher