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

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NEWSLETTER FOR ROSSETT ACRE – 3 April 2025

Forthcoming dates for your diary

Fri 4 Apr	TOMORROW: Close for Easter at 2.30pm – Casual day, please bring £1. Please ensure children are wearing appropriate clothing. Thank you.
Tues 22 April	School re-opens at the usual time
Tues 29 Apr- Fri 2 May	Book Fair
Mon 5 May	BANK HOLIDAY – Children not in school
Tue 6 May	School re-opens at the usual time
Mon 12 May – Thurs 15 May	Y6 SATS week
Thurs 15 May	*NEW* New Starter Information Evening 6pm
Mon 19 May	*NEW* Class Photos
Weds 21 May	*NEW* Open Classrooms 3-3.30pm
Weds 21 May	*NEW* Y4 Minotaur Show 6pm
Thurs 22 May	*NEW* Y4 Minotaur Show 2pm
Fri 23 May	Close for half term

I can't believe we are at the end of another half-term – that flew by!

Thank you to all parents/carers who made a Parents' Evening appointment and spoke to their child's teacher(s) either on Thursday last week or on Tuesday this week. I hope that you gained some useful information and that the meetings went well.

This week our Y6 children participated in their Mock SATs: the children were amazing and handled it all so well – I am so proud of them. Well done, Year 6.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'After all, life is 10% what happens to you and 90% how you react.' (Charles Swindoll, Pastor and bestselling author)



PICTURE BOOK ASSEMBLY



April is Autism Awareness Month and on Wednesday, Mrs Wood read 'The Girl Who Thought in Pictures – The Story of Dr. Temple Grandin' written by author Julia Finley Mosca and illustrated by Daniel Rieley.

Dr. Temple Grandin was diagnosed with autism when she was young and this book shares the inspirational life of a great scientist.

The music this week was: Derek Paravincini playing Sealed Door composed by Nobuo Uematsu. English pianist Derek Paravincini is also autistic and blind but can play any piece of music by ear after hearing it just once!

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

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jcruLjS0PJY>

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the children who received a certificate in last week's celebration assembly: Lanai C (AC), Levi H (SK/CN), Elsie B (RB), George S (HH), Harvey W (ZM), Finley W (KM/BS), Bella B (JJ/CR), Jayden D-G (EW), Freddie S (AI/LS), Tess B, Harry W (PA/EH), Will T (JW), Bobby S (RI), Erin (CD), Beth G (TM).

Congratulations to the children who were on the Top Table last week: Emilia L (Yr 1), Eleanor S (Yr 2), Darcy B (Yr 3), Kasjan P (Yr 4), Pearla B (Yr 5), Nancy J (Yr 6).

ECO INFORMATION

Don't forget to do some litter picking over the Easter holiday and join in with our Great Big School Clean. Remember to send photos to our office email address office@rap.rklt.co.uk and put 'Great Big Spring Clean' in the subject bar; we'll put some photos in the newsletter.

Please also, record your efforts on our school collection form (very quick and easy) here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/KYLk2gsKbK?origin=lprLink>



Or scan here:

Several children have told me that they are going litter picking with their families: I hope you have a great time and the sun shines for you.



Sofia O collecting rubbish near her house. Well done Sofia.

JEWISH FESTIVAL OF PASSOVER

Year 2 had a lovely morning learning all about the Jewish festival of Passover. They learnt about the story of Passover and how Jewish people celebrate it. They even had a Passover Seder and tried all the yummy (and not so yummy!) food that are symbolic to the festival.



BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE CLUB

For the last 6 weeks, children from Years 4, 5 and 6 have been taking part in a British Sign Language club at lunchtime. Miss Pearson and Mrs Schutte have been really impressed with the children's enthusiasm, commitment and willingness to learn.

They have covered subjects such as: the alphabet, greetings, colours, animals, food and family members.

Hopefully, the children will take away what they have learnt and share it with others.

A big thank you to Mrs Schutte and Miss Pearson for providing such a wonderful club. They are looking forward to teaching Year 2 and Year 3 next term.



WALK TO SCHOOL

Well done to everyone who walked, cycled or scootered to school last Friday for our 'Walk to School' event. It was great to see so many of you joining in. Thank you.

ECO – TIP

**Use less hot water. Washing your clothes in cold or warm instead of hot water can save as much as 500 pounds of carbon dioxide per year.
(WWF – World Wildlife Fund for Nature)**

EASTER BONNET PARADE

This afternoon, we hosted our annual Easter Bonnet Parade for EYFS & KS1, which was super. Little Crickets Nursery also joined us, and it was lovely to see all the super Easter bonnets the children had made. Well done to the children for taking part and a huge thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us.



ATTENDANCE



Attendance 28 March 2025 to 3 April 2025:
96%

Number of pupils late at least once this week: 11

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

School attendance on Thursday last week was 96.07 % which was great.

Today's attendance is 96.8%. Well done everyone.

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.

- 95.5%** Your child's attendance target
- Below 95%** Child's attendance monitored by school
- Below 90%** 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%

Good Best chance of success!!	Worrying	Serious concern—possible court action
	30 hours of maths missed 45 hours of English missed 15 hours of playing with friends missed 12 hours of PE missed	50 hours of maths missed 75 hours of English missed 25 hours of playing with friends missed 20 hours of PE missed

The 2025 Challenge

The PTA is challenging you to raise £20.25 or more in any way that you can think of - be as creative as you wish. You can work individually, with your siblings, or with a group of friends. All we ask is that you incorporate the numbers 2 & 5.

When

The 2025 challenge will take place from 1-25 April, giving you 25 days to complete your challenge and gain sponsorship, especially over the Easter holidays!

Ideas?

Run/walk/cycle 2.5km

Read 25 books

Swim 25 lengths

Bake & sell 25 cupcakes

Do 25 household jobs

25 hours of silence (1 hour per day)

Wash 25 cars

Challenge Sponsorship

Ask friends, family and neighbours to sponsor you. Complete the sponsorship form and submit your money raised on to our JustGiving page no later than 2 May.

https://www.justgiving.com/page/rossett-acre-pta-2?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

Share

We would love to see the activities the children get up to so if you are able to share some pictures through the class WhatsApp groups or email them to rossettacrepta@gmail.com this would be really lovely. If we are able to use these pics, they may help to encourage and inspire others too!

Good luck!

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Sporting Influence

Please find attached the Spring newsletter from our PE/Sport Provider, Sporting Influence.

COMMUNITY

MyClothing Uniform

There is a new discount code for parents to use when shopping with MyClothing. It gives everyone a 10% discount until the end of May.

Code = MYCSS10%

Expires = 31/05/2025

Cycling Training for Young Riders

Harrogate Nova Cycling Club are running a series of weekly youth training sessions on Tuesday evenings at the Harrogate Army Foundation College Hildebrand Barracks car park (just off Pennypot Lane).

The sessions start on April 22 and run through to July 8. There is a break over half term and the summer holidays and then some final sessions in early autumn. All sessions are run by fully qualified [British Cycling](#) coaches. To cater for different abilities and ages there are two groups:

Group 1: entry level/younger riders (minimum age: 6). Tuesday evenings: 18.00-18.30. £50 for 16 sessions (plus £11 Harrogate Nova membership fee)

Group 2: more experienced riders (typically age: 8+). Tuesday evenings: 18.30-19.15. £80 for 16 sessions (plus £11 Harrogate Nova membership fee)

If you are interested in the sessions and would like further information or would like to go along and attend a free trial session, please complete the 'Contact Us' enquiry form on the Harrogate Nova website: <https://www.harrogatenova.cc/youth-coaching>



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GIRLS ONLY FOOTBALL SESSIONS!

WILD CATS

The perfect way for girls aged 5-11 to get involved with football

£2.50 PER SESSION

Make Friends

WILD CATS
GIRLS' FOOTBALL

Every Tuesday from 22/04/2025.
To book your place, scan the QR code or follow the link below:
<https://book.Englandfootball.com/Book/3d6212e9-de9b-42c4-86b9-5abeb32618bf?venue=harrogatetowncio>

RIPON MUSEUMS

Hop into the Easter spirit at Ripon Museums during the school holidays!!

With creative, hands-on activities for the whole family, there's something for everyone to enjoy across our three museums. Here's a taster of what's coming up this April:

- Victorian Easter Cards - every day
- Baking sessions - 8th, 10th, 15th, 17th
- Make a Scarecrow - 9th
- Easter Crown Making - 16th
- Lettuce Planting - every day
- Cops and Robbers Puppets - every day
- Easter Code Breakers - everyday

All activities are included in the price of your ticket/annual pass. Don't miss out - check out the 'What's On' section on our website for more fun happenings

<https://riponmuseums.co.uk/things-to-do/>

I hope you all have a super weekend and a fabulous Easter break/holiday. Fingers crossed for some more sunshine!

Remember that school closes **tomorrow at 2.30pm** for the children and school opens again on Tuesday 22nd April at the usual time.

Have fun!

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