



Faith Courage Love

Faith to move forward in confidence and succeed.
Courage to make a difference in the world every day.
Love one another as God loves us.

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Dear parent / carer

There has been so much happening in school and we hope you enjoy all our news!

- Panto news

Class 2 and Class 3 children were very entertained at the Dick Whittington pantomime at Harrogate Theatre this week. It was wonderful to see so much laughter and excitement on the children's faces!

Have a read of what our children thought about the panto...

"It was AMAZING!!"

"It was really good - the songs and the dancing were fabulous!!"

"The best bit was the tap-dancing jellyfish!"

"It was very interactive - we danced with the actors and they came to see us in the audience!"

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/hes-behind-you/>

- Christmas Book Challenge

Our Roecliffe Librarians have set a challenge to all our children! The Roecliffe Christmas Reading Challenge is to read two books between now and the end of term on Friday 22nd and one of these books has to be based on Christmas. The child lets their teacher know or writes their books on the list in the classroom.

- Tech Day

Year 1 children used Tate Draw to create their own digital artwork on the chromebooks.

Class 2 enjoyed learning how to use the Book Creator app to design and make their own books. They also learnt how to use Tate Paint to digitally draw! Class 2 children now know how to download their digital painting from TatePaint, and can upload this into Book Creator so that they can illustrate their own front cover. Both apps are free to use at home!

Class 3 children made their own digital worlds using SkyBox A.I and then created their own site to put their own world into.

Have a read of what our children thought about their tech sessions...

"It was really fun!"

"I can see how it will be really good to use these bits of technology in our learning."

" We selected and used digital images to go in our book and we added text."

" I enjoyed using technology a bit more and I enjoyed the explanations."

- Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you to all our families and children for supporting the Martin House Children's Hospice Christmas Jumper Appeal by wearing a Christmas jumper at school today. If any parents/ carers would like to donate to this charity, please use the link below.

[William Jarvis is fundraising for Martin House Hospice for Children and Young People \(justgiving.com\)](https://www.justgiving.com/WilliamJarvis)

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/christmas-jumper-day-2/>

- Dance Days

Holly from Mind-Body-Dance will be teaching us all some dance routines on Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th December. We hope to film the dance routines and share them with pupils and their families. Please see the dates below for who is dancing when.

<https://www.mind-body-dance.com/>

- TA vacancy

Mrs Godfrey will be leaving Roecliffe at the end of this term. We wish her well in her new role at Ripon Cathedral in the new year.

We are currently looking for a very special person to join our staff team as a Teaching Assistant from January. This position is three days a week in January and increases to four days a week in April. Please use the link below to find out more information about this vacancy. The application deadline is Monday 11th December.

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/about-us/vacancies/>

- Bravo to the Sing Up! carol singers!

Despite the icy-cold conditions at the Boroughbridge Christmas Lights Switch On, our Sing Up! children sang their hearts out and entertained the crowds. The children's beautiful carol singing really got us into the festive spirit!

Well done Sing Up! choir!

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/roecliffe-sing-up/>

- Christmas Tree Festival Result

We are delighted to have received 80, yes, 80 votes for our recycled Christmas tree entry! Roecliffe was placed second this year, narrowly missing first place by only two votes! Thank you and a huge well done to all our children who helped us to create our recycled tree.

- Safeguarding Snippet

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-under-wear-rule/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-lL07JOGU5o>

Our Class 1 children have been learning about the 'PANTS rule' in PSHE. The two links above will provide parents with information about the resources we use in school to discuss and learn that our body belongs to us, and that we should tell a safe adult who we trust if anything makes us feel upset or worried.

- Water Bottles

Please can parents ensure their child brings a water bottle to school every day.

- This week's winning house

Congratulations to children in North house for achieving the most house points this week!

- Positive Learning Behaviour Awards

A huge well done and congratulations to these children for being chosen to receive the Positive Learning Behaviour Award:

Class 1 - Lachlan

Class 2 - Eliza

Class 3 - Florence

With a busy final couple of weeks left until the end of term, we hope that the dates and reminders below help parents/carers to know what is coming up at this busy time.

Friday 8th December

Roecliffe Christmas Fair 3.30 - 5pm

Tuesday 12th December

Class 3 STEM Day at Queen Ethelburga's

Wednesday 13th December

Class 1 nativity dress rehearsal performance for the rest of school

Thursday 14th December

Class 1 nativity at 9.30am and 2pm

Class 3 at Boroughbridge Manor Care Home to visit the residents

Tuesday 19th December

Dance Day 1 with Holly from Mind-Body-Dance

Class 2 and Class 3 to come to school in suitable dance/PE clothes

Wednesday 20th December

Dance Day 2 with Holly from Mind-Body-Dance

Class 1, 2 and 3 children to come to school in suitable Christmassy dance clothes

Christmas dinner

Thursday 21st December

Christmas service at 2pm at St Mary's church

Friday 22nd December

Christmas parties for all classes

All children to come to school in Christmassy/party clothes

School closes at 2.30pm

School reopens for the spring term on Tuesday 9th January 2024

We hope you enjoy your weekend - let's hope the weekend weather is a bit less damp than this week has been!

Mrs Briggs

Diary Dates

Friday 8th Dec	FORCES Christmas Fair 3.30pm-5pm
Monday 11th Dec	Class 3 visit to Boroughbridge Manor care home
Tuesday 12th Dec	Class 3 STEM Day at Queen Ethelburga's
Wednesday 13th Dec	Class 1 nativity dress rehearsal performance for the rest of school
Thursday 14th Dec	Class 1 Nativity - School Hall 9.30am & 2pm
Tuesday 19th Dec	Class 2+3 Dance Day
Wednesday 20th Dec	Class 1, 2+3 Dance Day
Wednesday 20th Dec	Christmas Dinner
Thursday 21st Dec	Christmas Service 2pm at St Mary's Church
Friday 22nd Dec	Christmas parties for all classes All children to come to school in Christmassy/party clothes School closes at 2.30pm
Friday 12th Jan	Wellbeing Day
Monday 19th Feb	Young Voices trip to Sheffield Arena
11th - 15th Mar	British Science Week
Tuesday 9th Apr	London Parent Meeting 3.30pm
Wednesday 17th Apr	Year 5 / 6 trip to London
W/C 13th May	Year 6 SATS Weeks
Mon 10th - Thurs 13th June	Class 3 trip to France
Thursday 4th July	Class 3 Production - Bishop Monkton Village Hall

Term Dates	
Autumn Term	
Friday 27th Oct	School Closes for half-term
Monday 6th Nov	School Reopens
Friday 22nd Dec	School closes for Christmas 2.30pm

Spring Term	
Monday 8th Jan	Training Day - School Closed
Tuesday 9th Jan	School Opens for Spring Term
Friday 9th Feb	School Closes for half-term
Monday 19th Feb	School Reopens
Friday 22nd Mar	School Closes for Easter

Summer Term	
Monday 8th Apr	Training Day - School Closed
Monday 9th Apr	School Opens for Summer Term
Monday 6th May	Bank Holiday
Friday 24th May	School Closes for half-term
Monday 3rd Jun	School Reopens
Friday 19th July	School Closes for Summer 2.30pm
Monday 22nd July	Training Day - School Closed