



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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Happy Christmas everyone!

We are finally at the end of a long autumn term, ready to celebrate Christmas and enjoy the holiday with our family and friends!

We have packed so much into the term and my thanks go to the incredible staff team at Roecliffe for providing such wonderful care and commitment in to providing the best for our children at Roecliffe.

Thank you to all our families for their support this term and we wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy, healthy new year.

Christmas dancing, dinner and Santa's visit

Wednesday was a very busy day! Many thanks to Justyna for providing governors, staff and pupils with a wonderful Christmas dinner.

Thank you also to FORCES for providing Santa with the books which he gave to the children during his visit to school. Happy reading, children! Many thanks to Holly of Mind-Body-Dance who delivered wonderful dance sessions to our children which were full of positivity and energy! The children loved learning new skills in their dance routines and Holly was a hit with the children!

https://www.mind-body-dance.com/ https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/merry-christmas/

• Christmas Service

Thank you to all our parents who joined us for our Christingle service on Thursday. The children have enjoyed making the Christingles in class and a big thank you to Morrisons at Boroughbridge for donating the items to make them. https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/christingle/

• Welcome to our new staff member!

Welcome and congratulations to Miss Smyth who was appointed as our new teaching assistant in Class 3. Miss Smyth will also be supporting pupils in Class 1 one day a week from April.

Many thanks and best wishes to Mrs Godfrey who is leaving Roecliffe this week for a new role at Ripon Cathedral.

• Reminder - applications for Reception places

Please make sure that you have submitted your application for your child's reception place by 15th January.

https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-admissions/starting-primary-school-and-junior-school

• Parent governor

Congratulations and welcome to Claudia Densham who is our new Parent Governor on the Roecliffe Local Academy Council (Governing Body). We look forward to working with Claudia and we are grateful for her support with the work of the LAC at our school.

Reminders for our start back at school in spring term

Please remember that our school re-opens on Tuesday 9th January.

The first Forest School session is on Monday 15th January and children in Years Nursery - Year 5 should come to school in old, warm clothing and bring their wellies/walking boots with them. (Year 6 children will have Forest School sessions in the summer term.)

Extra-curricular clubs start in the second week of term - week beginning Monday 15th January. If you would like your child to take part in an extracurricular club, please sign them up on Arbor and pay the fee by Monday 8th January.

Our Wellbeing Day is on Friday 12th January. All staff and children are invited to come to school in comfy clothing so that we can enjoy a relaxed day learning about ways to stay positive, and maintain our wellbeing and positive mental health.

FORCES NEWS

SANTA CAME TO VISIT!

The children had a very special visitor this Wednesday when Santa came bearing a gift for each child during the school Christmas dinner. F.O.R.C.E.S are always more than happy to purchase a book for each child as a Christmas present. We hope they all enjoy reading their books!

'DONUT' BE BLUE MONDAY

Monday 15th January 2024 is Blue Monday so we'll be kicking off our 2024 fundraising in the playground at 3.30pm on that day selling 'blue' donuts for 50p each!

OLD CHRISTMAS CARDS

Don't forget we'd love the fronts of your Christmas cards when you're taking down your decorations in January please. We use old Christmas cards to make gift tags for our Elfridges shop and can never have enough! There will be a collection box on the bench to the left of the main entrance of school every morning the first week back in January.

Finally, Thank you to everyone who has supported FORCES this term with our fundraising efforts, we know it's a busy and expensive time of year and we are grateful for your help and support! I would also like to thank our small team of PTA members who alongside their full and part time jobs find time to help out where they can with the various events. Our next meeting will be in January at a date to be confirmed so please come along if you'd like to get involved with our PTA.

We hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and healthy New Year!

F.O.R.C.E.S

Merry Christmas and a happy New Year to all our Roecliffe families! We look forward to seeing you all in the new year!





Diary Dates		
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	