



# **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

Happy new year to all our Roecliffe families and best wishes for a healthy and positive 2024!

What a busy first week back at school!

• MP visit

We invited Julian Smith MP to visit our wonderful school and to meet our Class 2 and Class 3 children so that they could find out more about democracy and leadership.

In our Collective Worships we sometimes learn about British Values and last term we thought about Democracy. It was really useful for the children to be able to talk to an MP who spends much of his time with the Prime Minister and has spent some of his career working with the Queen. Julian also talked to us about effective leadership and what this looks like.

Julian was very impressed with our busy and happy school and our Class 2 and Class 3 children enjoyed the opportunity to talk to Julian about leadership and what it is like being an MP.

<u>A visit from an MP! | Roecliffe Primary School</u>

• Roecliffe Well-being Day

With 'Blue Monday' on the horizon (the third Monday in January is said to be the saddest day of the year) we have celebrated our very own Well-being Day at Roecliffe with a number of activities and events.

With children and staff dressed comfortably in their 'snugglies', we enjoyed yoga and meditation with Mrs Barrett and energetic, positive dancing with Holly (<u>https://www.mind-body-dance.com/</u>).

Lao's and Tempi's mum, Helen is a psychiatrist and she talked to us about how our brain can be helped to be happy and how to look after our mental health and wellbeing.

Well-Being Day | Roecliffe Primary School

## • Spring term learning

Please take a look at our Class Termly Overviews in our Curriculum tab on our school website to find out about the learning your child will take part in this term. https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/curriculum/class-termly-overviews/

### • Girls' Sport

Research has demonstrated that by the age of seven, girls are already less active than boys and this disparity widens as they move from childhood into adolescence. At Roecliffe we are committed to encouraging all our children to remain physically active to support their well-being now and in future years. <u>https://www.youthsporttrust.org/programmes/targeted-interventions/girls-active</u> Miss Ratliffe is leading a girls only sports club for girls in Class 2 and Class 3 to take part in a variety of sports at break times on Wednesdays. Girls in Class 2 and Class 3 who would like to take part should come to school on Wednesdays dressed in their PE kit from next week.

• Forest School reminder

Children in Nursery to Year 5 should wear WARM clothing and bring their wellies for their Forest School sessions on Mondays.

• PE days reminder

Children should come to school wearing their PE kit on the following days: Class 1's PE day is Thursday

Class 2's PE day is Thursday (Wed - swimming)

Class 3's PE day is Monday

• Extra-curricular clubs

Clubs start again next week and will run for the next four weeks.

• FORCES

## 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 selling 'blue' donuts for 50p each! We also have a limited number of sweets and crisps left over from our Christmas Fair which we will be selling too so please bring your pennies!

#### OLD CHRISTMAS CARDS

Thank you to everyone who has bought in their old Christmas cards for us to recycle into tags for our 2024 Elfridges shop. The collection bag will remain in the school office for another few days next week so there's still time for you to drop any further cards off.

Our January meeting date will be announced next week so please come along if you'd like to get involved with our PTA.

We wish you all a very pleasant weekend,

Mrs Briggs

Diary Dates		
Friday 12th Jan	Wellbeing Day	
Monday 19th Feb	Young Voices trip to Sheffield Arena	
11th - 15th Mar	British Science Week	
W/C 13th May	Year 6 SATS Weeks	
Thursday 4th July	Class 3 Production - Bishop Monkton Village Hall	
	Term Dates	

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 Jun	School Closes for Summer 2.30pm	
Monday 22nd Jun	Training Day - School Closed	