



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

Spring has finally sprung and we have lots of news for you!

• Leeds Grand Mosque

On Tuesday our Class 2 and Class 3 children visited Leeds Grand Mosque to find out more about the Muslim faith. The children and staff were shown Islamic artefacts and the features of the mosque. The children also observed the call to prayer (adhan) and the prayer rituals (wudu).

Thank you so much to the staff at Leeds grand Mosque who were very helpful in helping us to understand more about the Islamic faith and culture. Well done to all our children for being respectful and courteous in a place of worship.

Please see our photos on our school blog to find out more: https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/leeds-grand-mosque/

• Training days in 2024-25

Roecliffe's training days in the academic year 2024 - 25 will be as follows: Monday 2nd September 2024 Monday 6th January 2025

Friday 28th March 2025

Friday 23rd May 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

The term dates for 2024-25 can be found on our website.

• Faith Council - This week's Collective Worship

Thank you to our Faith Council members: Georgina, Ida, Isla, Lucy and Tempi for their support with Collective Worships and for this week's snippet -

This week's theme was 'How can you get your voice heard?'

We talked and thought about 'If you think a situation is unfair then you need to get your voice heard.'

The British Value we thought about was Individual Liberty because we all have the right to have our own beliefs, speak out and say what we think.

Reminders

Parent safeguarding survey

Thank you so much to parents and carers who have completed the brief parent safeguarding survey. We are keen to understand how parents and carers feel about safeguarding at our school and we would really appreciate it if parents/carers could complete this brief survey by Tuesday 5th March. https://forms.gle/A2kViQ6CaXwaVah56

World Book Day - Thurs 7th March

World Book Day is next Thursday!

We are inviting children to come to school in a plain white T-shirt which has been illustrated and written on to show the front cover on the front of the T-shirt and the blurb on the back of the T-shirt. Younger children can draw a picture or write a few words for their blurb.

Children may come to school dressed as their favourite book character instead if they wish.

Parent consultations

Parent consultation meetings are taking place during the final week of the term (week beg 18th March). Please make sure that your parent consultation meeting is booked through Arbor as soon as possible.

The deadline for booking appointments is Sunday 17th March. Please note that consultations cannot be booked after this date.

Mothers and Others Day

On Friday 8th March our school is celebrating 'Mothers and Others' Day. Our F.O.R.C.E.S. team has invited children to buy a 'breakfast in a bag' for a special lady in their lives: a Mummy, Grandma, Auntie, or childminder on Friday 8th March.

Children will come to the pop up 'cafe' in the hall during school hours escorted by a member of F.O.R.C.E.S. and choose their pre-paid breakfast in a bag. All breakfasts will be in a gift bag and children will write their own personalised gift tags. We will bring siblings to the 'cafe' together to help pack their breakfast and write their bag tags.

FORCES letters were sent out earlier this week and slips should be returned to school by Tuesday 5th March at the latest.

(Reception - Year 6) - Friday 8th March

In the afternoon, mums, mummies and mothers (and others!) are invited to share their child's work in classrooms at 2.45pm and then to watch our Mothers and Others Day dance performance in the playground before going home. Please enter the school site through the main, single gate when arriving at 2.45pm.

Children should wear PE kit on Tuesday next week so that they can practise their dance routine in the afternoon. Our dancing practice is on Tuesday so everyone needs to wear their PE kit on Tuesday (and Thursday for Class 1 and Class 2).

Easter Service - All school

Our Easter service will be held at St Mary's church on Tuesday 19th March at 2.30pm. Family members are very welcome to join us.

Reading River

As part of our work to promote the love of reading, we are asking the children to create a 'Reading River' which shows everything they read after school and over the weekend. This can include ANYTHING they read e.g. books, magazines, top trump cards, signs, baking instructions, text messages, cereal packets e.t.c. If the original text cannot be included on the Reading River, then a photo of the text can be used.

We have included a few examples below to inspire you but it can be presented as imaginatively as you would like.

Please bring your Reading River to school for World Book Day if possible and by Friday 15th March at the latest.





FORCES

MOTHERS & OTHERS BREAKFAST IN A BAG!

We are doing things slightly differently this year. F.O.R.C.E.S would like to invite your child/ren to buy a 'Breakfast in a bag' for a special lady in their lives: a Mummy, Grandma, Auntie or childminder on Friday 8th March.

Letters came out with your children earlier this week but a copy is attached to this newsletter should you need it.

All forms and monies (£.3.50 per bag) need to be handed in to school by TUESDAY 5TH MARCH at the latest to enable us to shop for the items.

MOTHERS DAY GIFTS STOCK CLEARANCE

Later in the afternoon on Friday 8th March there will be an opportunity to purchase a gift from our stall in the playground! This is a clearance of our 'Mothers and Others' gift stock and all items will be just £1 each so please bring your pennies!

BAG2SCHOOL

Don't forget that we have another Bag2school collection booked for WEDNESDAY 13TH MARCH. This is a great opportunity to have a half term sort out of your wardrobes and drawers!

Bags will be distributed after half term but you don't have to wait for a printed bag, we're happy to accept items in plain black bags. Full details of what can be donated can be found at www.bag2school.com

Don't forget to ask all your family and friends if they have any items they would like to donate too as this is by far our easiest fundraiser in terms of organisation/manpower so it would be great to collect as many bags of donations as possible on the day!

Please don't bring bags to school until the collection date as we have nowhere to store them.

CHOCOLATE BINGO

We would love to be able to run our very popular Chocolate Bingo event again this year but we need at least 8 volunteers to do this! If you can spare a couple of hours on the afternoon of FRIDAY 22ND MARCH FROM 2PM - 4.30PM please email forcesroecliffe@outlook.com

PRE LOVED UNIFORM

Our preloved uniform is now sorted and available to buy should you need any extra items.

Please note our new prices for 2024 are:

Logo cardigans and sweatshirts £2 each

PE hoodies £3 each

PE t-shirts £2

Summer dresses £3

Email forcesroecliffe@outlook.com if you wish to purchase any items.

PTA IDEAS AND MEETINGS

We would love to hear your ideas about future events and fundraising! You don't need to be a committee member to come to our PTA meetings, everyone is always very welcome, the more the merrier!

We are happy to arrange meetings by Zoom if that is easier for everyone? Happy to hear everyone's thoughts.

We are aware everyone is very busy but just helping out for an hour or so a year at our events really does help us raise much needed funds for our small school!

Thank you! F.O.R.C.E.S.

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 - Luca

Class 2 - Albert

Class 3 - Monty

We wish you a wonderful weekend and look forward to seeing you all on Monday for another busy week!

Mrs Briggs

Diary Dates

Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Friday 8th March	Mothers & Others 'Breakfast in a bag' - FORCES
Friday 8th March	Mothers & Others Dance 2.45pm Reception-Year6
Wednesday 13th March	BAGS2SCHOOL
11th - 15th March	British Science Week
Week beginning 18th Mar	Parent Consultations
Tuesday 19th March	Easter Service 2.30pm - All School
Friday 22nd March	Chocolate Bingo - FORCES
Tuesday 9th Apr	London Parent Meeting 3.30pm
Wednesday 10th April	France Parent Meeting - Bishop Monkton Primary School 5pm
Wednesday 17th Apr	Year 5 / 6 trip to London
W/C 13th May	Year 6 SATS Weeks
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Mon 10th - Thurs 13th June	Class 3 trip to France
Thursday 4th July	Class 3 Production - Bishop Monkton Village Hall

Term Dates 2023-24		
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	

Term Dates 2024-25	
Autumn Term	
Monday 2nd Sept	Training Day - School Closed
Tuesday 3rd Sept	School Reopens
Friday 25th Oct	School Closes for half-term
Monday 4th Nov	School Reopens
Friday 20th Dec	School closes for Christmas 2.30pm

Spring Term		
Monday 6th Jan	Training Day - School Closed	
Tuesday 7th Jan	School Opens for Spring Term	
Friday 14th Feb	School Closes for half-term	
Monday 24th Feb	School Reopens	
Friday 28th Mar	Training Day - School Closed	
Friday 4th April	School Closes for Easter - 2.30pm	

Summer Term	
Monday 21st April	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 22nd April	School Opens for Summer Term
Monday 5th May	Bank Holiday
Thursday 22nd May	School Closes for half-term
Friday 23rd May	Training Day - School Closed
Monday 2nd June	School Reopens
Monday 21st July	School Closes for Summer 2.30pm
Tuesday 22nd July	Training Day - School Closed