



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

Welcome to this week's newsletter!

- Farewell to Rev Karen

As the spring term draws to a close, we will be saying farewell to Rev Karen who is moving to a diocese in Runcorn to be nearer to family. Rev Karen will be greatly missed as she has supported our school for four years as our local vicar and we will miss Rev Karen's Monday Collective Worships and her cheery smile around school.

- Farewell to Mrs Horn

We will also be saying a fond farewell to Mrs Horn who is leaving our school on Wednesday 20th March to have her baby and enjoy being a mummy. Mrs Horn has decided to take some time out of teaching and will not be returning to Roecliffe so Wednesday 20th March will be her final day teaching Class 1.

Mrs Horn has led the transformation of our Early Years provision at Roecliffe over the past three years. She has developed the team's expertise and the excellent practice and provision which we are very proud of and this has been shared across our trust, LDLT, as exemplary.

We will all miss Mrs Horn very much and we wish her the very best for her new chapter in life as a mummy.

We have all sorts of 'mummy fun' planned for Mrs Horn on Wednesday afternoon and she will then be busy with parent consultations, so if any parents or carers would like to see her before she leaves, a good time for this would be on Wednesday morning as she collects her class from the playground at 8.45am.

- Comic Relief Red Nose Day

Thank you to parents and carers who have contributed to the Comic Relief charity. Our pupils enjoyed wearing their red noses at school today!

[Roecliffe - Just Giving Comic Relief](#)

- Dance Competition

Well done to all our amazing children in Reception and Year 1 who danced their socks off at the Sporting Influence Dance Festival on Wednesday. We are very proud of the effort you all made to give us all a fantastic performance at Boroughbridge Primary School.

Congratulations to Parker for achieving the Sporting Influence wristband for his enthusiasm and well done to all the children in Class 1 for achieving a certificate for Smiles and Energy!

- Science competition

This week is British Science Week and we have been putting our scientific skills to the test today with a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) afternoon.

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/british-science-week/>

We have set the children a homework task for our school science competition and the theme for this year is TIME.

We have launched a competition in which the children are encouraged to showcase experiments, investigations and demonstrate scientific understanding and knowledge. The children's findings can be presented in any way they feel is most appropriate. For example they could build a model, create a presentation or even a video of themselves carrying out an experiment, alongside explanations of the science and how the concept relates to 'TIME'. The theme allows for almost any aspect of science to be explored. This is a great opportunity for children to show what they love about science and for parents and caregivers to collaborate with the children and have some fun with science.

You can enter the competition by uploading photos, videos, and slides to the folders linked below:

[Class 1 Science Competition](#)

[Class 2 Science Competition](#)

[Class 3 Science Competition](#)

Please ensure your entry is clearly labeled with your name.

Alternatively, children can bring their entry into school.

We have set a deadline of Friday 12th April so that our budding scientists can work on their project during the Easter break.

- This week's Collective Worships

Rev Karen talked with us about Palm Sunday as we approach Easter.

In our pupil-led Collective Worship and our Class Collective Worship we thought about 'Should mobile phones be banned in all classrooms in secondary schools?' We decided that mobile phones are good for interacting with others but it's important to be mindful about how we use them. We thought about the

technology we use in school and that this should only include mobile phones if it helps our learning.

- National College access for parents/carers

The National College is an online resource platform which provides information and training for staff and parents/ carers who have access to its content. Through LDLT, our school now has a National College subscription for our parents and staff to access the site.

Parents can use the following login:

<https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/roecliffe-cofe-primary-school>

Our school will assign various relevant information and training resources for our parents and carers to access and we will inform parents/carers when these are available.

- Reminders

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.

Easter Service

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.

School closes on Friday 22nd March at 2.30pm

School reopens for the summer term on Tuesday 9th April

FORCES

- BAG2SCHOOL

Thank you to everyone who decluttered and brought along their Bag2school donations on Wednesday. We raised an amazing £68 which for very little effort is fantastic!

- CHOCOLATE BINGO IS ON!

Back by popular demand, eyes down on FRIDAY 22ND MARCH FROM 2.30PM - 4.00PM for our very popular chocolate bingo event.

Please note we are running things slightly differently this year and following some parent feedback we will have a separate bingo room for Class 1 should they wish to play in a quieter environment.

Of course, anyone in Class 1 who would like to join the main bingo session in the hall and play with their siblings will be very welcome. Please also remember Class 1 children MUST be accompanied by an adult.

This year we are charging a slightly higher entrance fee of £4 per child. However we will supply the chocolate prizes so no need for you to donate chocolate this year.

Letters have gone out today and need to be returned by next THURSDAY 21ST MARCH in order that we can shop for prizes.

Any extra adult helpers for the bingo are always welcome!

- 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 forcesroelcliffe@outlook.com if you wish to purchase any items.

- This week's winning house

Congratulations to children in North and South houses 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 - All of Class 1

Class 2 - Leah

Class 3 - Malachi

We wish you all a very happy weekend!

Mrs Briggs

Diary Dates

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 (Currently provisional)
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
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

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