



ROECLIFFE

C of E Primary School

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.

13.12.2024

Dear parent / carer

It's been all carols and glitter in school this week! With only a week to go until the end of term, we have been busier than ever!

- Class 3 QE Bath Bomb Day

Our Class 3 children enjoyed taking part in a Science Bath Bomb Day at QE this week. The children learned about chemical reactions to make their bath bombs in the science labs at QE. Many thanks to the QE staff who created a fantastic day for us!

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/festive-bath-bombs/>

Beauty and the Beast pantomime

"Oh no, he's not!" " Oh, yes he is!"

Class 2 and Class 3 children enjoyed a wonderful visit to Harrogate Theatre this week to see Beauty and the Beast. There were lots of laughs with ice-cream too! All of our children would like to say a big thank you to FORCES for fully funding this trip, thank you FORCES!

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/hes-behind-you-2/>

- Class 3 visit to Boroughbridge Manor Care Home

A huge well done and thank you to our Class 3 children who walked up to Boroughbridge Manor Care Home to entertain the residents. The children made Christmas cards and messages and gave these to the residents during their visit. We are very proud of the children's maturity and kindness!

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/boroughbridge-manor-care-home-2/>

- Class 1 Wriggly Nativity

Congratulations to our amazing Class 1 children who entertained us all with their Wriggly Nativity this week! The children have worked so hard to learn their lines, their songs and their acting parts - you were fantastic and we are very proud of you all! A link to some videos on a private youtube account will be sent to Class 1 parents next week.

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/wriggly-nativity/>

- Class 2 and Class 3 History Workshop Day

Class 2 children enjoyed a Stone Age workshop this week and Class 3 children enjoyed learning about the Mayans in their workshop. The children experienced the Stone Age and the Mayans first-hand using and studying the objects and artefacts which were brought into school this week.

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/bringing-history-to-life/>

- Class 1 Smartie Challenge Winners!

Congratulations to Class 1 children for raising the most money in our Smartie Challenge! All of our Class 1 children will receive a prize from FORCES - thank you!

- Extra-curricular clubs

Our extra-curricular clubs start up again during the second week back at school (week beg 13th Jan) and will run for five weeks.

In the spring term we are offering a yoga club for our Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils. Rebecca is a qualified yoga teacher living in our locality and offers yoga lessons to children in our local primary schools. The group size for the yoga club is limited to six pupils. If your child would enjoy the time and space to exercise with mindfulness, then why not try the new yoga club led by our yoga teacher, Rebecca? Please email office@roecliffeschool.co.uk if you are interested in a place for your child.

Please book a place for your child and make the payment using Arbor by Friday 10th January.

Our clubs in the spring term will be as follows:

Monday 3.30 - 4.30pm - Sing Up! (Years 2-6) £3 per session

Tuesday 3.30 - 4.30pm - Art Club (Years 2-6) £5 per session

Thursday 3.30 - 4.30pm - Yoga club (Years 4, 5, 6) £3 per session

Thursday 3.30 - 4.30pm - Computing Club (Years 4, 5, 6) £3 per session

- Faith Council Toy Donation Project

Our Faith Council children are asking for unwanted toys so that they can donate these to St James church to be redistributed in the local community where families need them.

Why not have a clearout before Santa brings more toys this Christmas? Please bring any unwanted toys to school by Thursday 19th Dec.

- Embroidered Hanging Project

In 2025 our school will celebrate being 150 years old! All of our pupils and staff are going to make a large decorative hanging which will be placed on the wall in our school hall to celebrate our very special birthday.

Our School Council children have been asking our pupils what they think should be included in the hanging. We have all sorts of wonderful ideas of what we can include, Forest School sessions at Badger Wood, visits to St Mary's church, our fun learning, sports day on the village green.

The School Council would also like to know from parents and carers in a brief email what they think should be included in the hanging and what Roecliffe means to them. Please send your email to office@roecliffeschool.co.uk.

Christmas events next week:

- Tuesday 17th Dec

Christmas jumper dance rehearsals led by Holly (Mind-Body-Dance). Children come to school in PE kits.

- Wednesday 18th Dec

Christmas jumper dance filming - children come to school in PE kits and Christmas jumpers.

Christmas lunch

- Thursday 19th Dec

Christmas parties - children come to school in party clothes.

Christmas service at St Mary's church 2pm

Carol singing in the school playground with mince pies and hot chocolate 3pm

- Friday 20th Dec

2.30pm Break up

- FORCES News

CHRISTMAS FAIR

What a fun couple of hours we had last Friday at our Christmas Fair raising an amazing £422.04! A big thank you for all your donations of jam jars, bottles, items for the coloured hampers and cakes for the refreshment stall. Without your support this event would not happen and we really do appreciate your support. Feedback from the parents/carers was that the earlier start at 3pm for Class 1 children was a big hit and gave them some space to enjoy themselves without the hassle and bussle of the older children. If you have any other feedback regarding what we 'should do' or 'shouldn't do' next year please let us know.

The coloured hampers were raffled at the end of the fair and the winners were:-

Red hamper - Alexander (Class 1)

Gold hamper - Andy Stephenson (Dad of Evelyn & Jack)

Green hamper - Layla R (Class 3)

Thank you again for all your donations for the hampers.

DESIGN A CHRISTMAS JUMPER

Thank you to everyone who entered the design a Christmas jumper competition.

34 children entered the competition and there were some fantastic designs from our budding designers! Mrs Briggs was asked to blind judge the jumpers and the winners were:-

Isabella - Class 1

Michalina - Class 2

Fabian - Class 3

Our winners each won a tub of chocolates and everyone's designs were displayed at the Christmas Fair which really brightened up the hall. Well done everyone.

ELFRIDGES SHOP

58 children came to our Elfridges 'shop' on Wednesday to buy a total of 132 presents. This is one of the children's most favourite events as they love coming to the shop to pick out presents for their loved ones. We hope you all enjoy the presents they've chosen for you!

CHRISTMAS CARDS

We'd love all your old Christmas cards when you're taking down your decorations and cards in January. We use old Christmas card fronts to make gift tags for the Elfridges shop.

SMARTIE CHALLENGE REWARD

As a reward for doing so well in the Smarties Challenge last month all the children in Class 1 will receive a pen, a chocolate lolly and a candy cane as a reward. Well done Class 1.

Thank you!

F.O.R.C.E.S

We hope you have a wonderful weekend and look forward to seeing you all for our final week of term!

Mrs Briggs



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Facebook - Roecliffe CE Primary School

Diary Dates

17th December	Holly Christmas Dance Rehearsal
18th December	Holly Christmas Dance Video & Christmas Jumper Day
19th December	2pm - Christmas Service St Mary's Church
19th December	3pm - Christmas Carols with Hot Chocolate & Mince Pies
20th December	2.30pm Break up for Christmas

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