



Romanby Newsflash

Issue 7

December 2015

Christmas is approaching fast and school is even busier than normal.

Well done to the children in Y1/2 who this week have put on fantastic performances of Bethlehem's Buzzin'. They have worked really hard in the last couple of weeks to learn all their lines, directions and songs. It has been great to see how much they have enjoyed it. Thank you to everyone who has helped with costumes and learning lines, as well as the Friends of Romanby School for providing the great raffle prizes.

Thank you as well to the group of children who decorated the tree in All Saints Church as part of their Christmas Tree Festival. They used the ideas also on display in the school hall to create a lovely looking tree.

Our Christmas Postbox is now in operation in the main entrance so if children post cards in it they will be delivered by our Y5/6 children. Please remember to put the name and class of the person who is to receive the card clearly on the envelope.

School Choir

Choir went to Kirk House on Monday 30th November. We sang carols like O Little Town of Bethlehem, Once in Royal David's City and It was on a Starry Night along with a few others. The delightful Christmas Story was read. Afterwards there were delicious drinks of orange squash all round and chocolates of many varieties were handed out to the young and old as we sang together in harmony.

Holly

The choir will also be singing at the Christingle Service at All Saints Church on Sunday.

Choir and Instrumentalists

On Wednesday 16th December in place of the usual class assembly we will be singing Christmas Carols and giving some of our musicians the opportunity to share their Christmas music. This will take place at 9:30am (rather than the usual 2:50 due to a clash with a Christmas Party). Any family and friends of the choir or instrument players who are taking part are welcome to join us.

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School Council

The school council are introducing a Buddy Bench on the playground. This will help children who want to make new friends. They are also coming up with a "noise-o-meter" idea for making the dinner hall quieter at lunchtime. More news in the new year.

Ben and Bradley

Jammin' with Joolz

The School is organising a social event at Romanby Cricket Club:

Jammin' with Joolz

Friday 5th February 2016

Tickets £3.00

This will be a great evening of drumming and entertainment with Joolz Form. Bring friends and family and have a go on djembe drums. Anyone who's seen these drums played will know what a fantastic evening this will be.

More information will be available after Christmas but tickets will be limited so if you would like to order yours in advance please leave your name at the office ASAP.

Tubs4tablets Update 1

Please can all tokens be sent into school by **NEXT** Monday 13th December. Just 25 more vouchers are needed for our second Samsung tablet. Please help us to reach our target. Thank you.

It's Panto Time!

We'd like to wish good luck to the children from school who are performing in the professional production of Dick Whittington which starts at the Town Hall next week. The pantomime starts on 16th December and



runs until 2nd January with three different casts of children performing in ten shows across the three week period. Tickets are still available for the show and you can find out more at <http://www.ajproductions.tv/>

Christmas Card Competition

Congratulations to the following children who won prizes in the Christmas Card competition organised by the Friends of the school.

Y5/6

Ben Smith
Maddi Davison
Lottie Spence

Y3/4

Kaya Sunbul
Maddy Carter
Keeva-Leigh Slater

Y1/2

Daniel Bell
Olivia Dosanjh
Alexandra Chandler

Reception

Freddie Taylor
Emelia Charlton
Maisie Stooke

Parking

Please could we remind parents not to block the driveways of local residents whilst dropping off and picking up children. Thank you.

Sickness

If your child is off school with sickness/diarrhoea they should not return to school until 48 hours after the symptoms have cleared.

Dinner Money/ParentPay

If you are not paying for dinners on ParentPay please could you ensure that cheques are paid in on a Monday morning for the weeks dinners, cheques payable to NYCC Romanby School BAFs A/C. If you are paying on ParentPay please could you ensure that your account is kept up to date and you are not sending your child for a school dinner when in arrears. If a child continues to take dinners when in arrears you will be asked to provide him/her with a packed lunch.

Money in Named Envelopes

Any money being sent into school for dinners, trips etc. should be sent in a named envelope, with the

class teacher's name on it, stating what it is for.

Use of Photographs and Video

We know that parents like to have photos and videos of their children taking part in school activities. In line with our child protection procedures please can we ask that any photos or videos that may include other children are not shared on social media sites.

Lost Property

Please try and claim any lost property from the box outside the Library before the end of term. If items have names in they will be returned to the children concerned.

Reading Books

We are auditing our stock of reading books over the fortnight so if there are any school books such as the Oxford Reading Tree Scheme/Phonics Bugs/Project X at home please can they be returned. We can then order some new books based on the identified gaps in provision. Thank you.

Friends of Romanby School:

We had a fantastic evening at the Christmas Fayre on Wednesday 25th November, lots of people came to support the school and we managed to raise over £500. This money will go towards subsidising educational coach trips throughout the year. Thank you to everyone who helped on the night particularly the teachers and support staff who spent their evening serving refreshments and helping to set up and pack away. Your help was invaluable and very much appreciated. Thank you also to everyone who generously donated bottles and chocolate, your donations helped to raise so much money. If you came along on the night thank you for supporting the event, we hope you enjoyed it. Finally thank you to all the committee members who put so much work into making the event such a success.

Winning Raffle Numbers

Pink Tickets
63, 108, 109, 155, 216

Blue Tickets
456, 466, 529

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who have received "Star of the Week" awards in our last two Friday celebration assemblies

Rec RA	Isabella, Riley, Aloka, Logan
Y1/2 LH/LH	Will, Ophelia, Cameron, Owen
Y1/2 BH	Porter, Jac, Dermont, Khian
Y1/2 SW/HC	Jamie, Ellie-Jo, Lenisha, Sophia
Y3/4 RO	Lucas, Hannah, Harriet, James
Y3/4 ES	Carter, Alex, Ava, Felix
Y3/4 SB	Anna, Riley, Emily, Hazel
Y5/6 DW	Eleanor, Abby, Evan, Antonia
Y5/6 JW/LH	Ava, Jade, Ben, Chloe

Team Point Awards Table

Each week our team captains add together the team point scores to find an overall team winner for each week. The results table for the year so far is:

Blue Water	0
Green Earth	1
Red Fire	1
Yellow Wind	7

The Children Society
Christingle Service
Sunday 13th December, 3.30pm
All Saints Church
Northallerton
All Welcome

Romanby School Choir will be singing at the event

Term Dates - Autumn 2015

13 th December	Choir at All Saints Christingle Service
14 th December	9.00am Reception Christmas "Sing Song" Reception Party
15 th December	Y1/2 Christmas Party
16 th December	9.30am Choir and Instrumentalist Performances Y3/4 Christmas Party
17 th December	Y5/6 Christmas Party
18 th December	School closes

Date of Next Newsletter

The next Newsletter will be on Thursday 14th January 2016. Any contributions by lunchtime Tuesday 12th January please.

We would like to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and New Year!

SPRING TERM 2016

Tuesday 5 January 2016

Friday 12 February 2016

Monday 22 February 2016

Thursday 24 March 2016

First Day of Term

Half Term Holiday begins - 3.15pm/3.25pm

Pupils return to school

Last Day of Term - school closes at 3.15pm/3.25pm

SUMMER TERM 2016

Tuesday 12 April 2016

Monday 2 May 2016

Friday 27 May 2016

Monday 6 June 2016

Friday 22 July 2016

First Day of Term

School closed - May Day Bank Holiday

Half Term Holiday begins - 3.15pm/3.25pm

Pupils return to school

Last Day of Term - school closes at 3.15pm/3.25pm

AUTUMN TERM 2016Tuesday 6th September 2016Friday 21st October 2016Monday 31st October 2016Friday 16th December 2016

First Day of Term

Half Term Holiday begins - 3.15pm/3.25pm

Pupils return to school

Last Day of Term - school closes at 3.15pm/3.25pm

Training Days: Jan 4 2016, April 11 2016, July 25 & July 26 2016, Sept 5 2016