

Romanby Primary School Newsletter

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A lot has happened in the last week in school so we thought we would share some of these events in a short newsletter update before we break up for the half term holiday. We hope everyone enjoys the break next week.



Turkey and Syria Earthquake

Cake Appeal, Wednesday 22nd February

As many of you will be aware, there has recently been a devastating earthquake on the Turkey/Syria border. Our Rights Respecting Ambassadors would like to help raise money to support the DEC Turkey-Syria Earthquake Appeal in their efforts throughout this time. The DEC brings together fifteen leading UK aid charities to raise funds quickly and efficiently at times of crisis overseas. As such, we are holding a 'Cake Appeal'.

Instead of a traditional bake sale where people donate cakes and bakes which are then sold in school we are asking that cakes and bakes are brought into school and for parents to donate online to our Just Giving Page. We will then share the cakes and bakes amongst the classes during the school day.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/romanby-school-earthquake-appeal>

Mrs Slaney and the Rights Respecting Ambassadors

Y3/4 Visit to Stump Cross Caverns

The children in Year 3/4 enjoyed a fantastic visit to Stump Cross Caverns on Monday. They learnt lots about rock formation, fossils and the history of the caves. The children behaved so well and were fantastic representatives of Romanby School.

Hetty, Nathan and Sadie said that during the visit they had to use torches to hunt for treasure in three caverns. They tried digging for fossils and met a strange underground creature! They found out more about the caves when a cave lady talked to them about all the things that they could find including mammoth teeth. They also looked at stalagmites and stalactites. They enjoyed visiting the gift shop!



KS2 Cross Country

On Wednesday 8th February, we went to cross country to represent our school. Selected children from years 3,4,5 and 6 all went to Northallerton Leisure Centre. The year 3 children ran first at 12:45 and all did their best. At the start, Omar fell over but he got straight back up and got back into the race. Well done, Omar! The year 4 runners did brilliantly with Alyssa coming 1st in her race. The year 5 children were successful too. Rosie took a tumble but continued on to come 2nd overall. Noah P placed joint 3rd. The last race of the afternoon was the year 6's. A big well done to Jack R for coming 1st and to Scarlett B for coming 3rd even though she ran an additional distance to all the other competitors!

It was a really fun afternoon and we cheered for all the runners. Thank you to Mrs Etherington, Mrs Jones, Mrs Taylor and the parent helpers for taking us.

By Jack R, Seb H (Y5) and Dan B

Those that took part were:

Y3 - boys - Harrison, Elliot S, Edward W, Oliver S
girls - Jessica B, Sophie S, Catherine, Eliza

Y4 - boys - Tom, Gabe, Oliver,
girls - Alyssa, Georgia, Amelia, Emilie

Y5 - boys - Noah P, Alex, Daniel B, Seb, Oscar
girls - Rosie, Lola

Y6 - boys - Jack R, Ethan, Joel, Jack B, Matthew
girls - Scarlett B, India, Tegan, Willow H



North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service help Y1/2



Year 1/2 had a very exciting afternoon on Monday! We finally got the perfect weather for burning our Tudor houses. Northallerton Fire and Rescue Service very kindly came to help us recreate the Great Fire of London safely on the school field. We passed buckets of water in a long chain to see how slow and difficult it would have been to extinguish a fire in 1666. The fire fighters eventually put the fire out with the hose from the fire engine - we all had a go at squirting the hose too!

Safer Internet Day 2023



On Tuesday everyone found out a bit more about staying safe online. Mrs Seal led an assembly and each class spent time completing a number of activities linked to the day. The children in Y5/6 had a presentation from our local PCSO's around online safety and then later in the day they had a visit from students at Northallerton School and Sixth Form (including some ex-pupils) who talked about using social media safely. Here is what Amaya thought about the day;

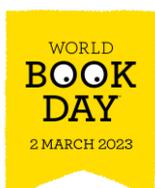
Two police officers came into our school to talk about online safety. We asked them lots of questions about how to stay safe online when using online apps and games. On that day we learned all about how to stay safe online so now children in school should know about the dangers and benefits of the online world.

North Yorkshire Police

As well as talking to the children in Y5/6 the police have been out and about around school following some concerns raised about parking in the local area. Please can we remind everyone to park safely and considerately when dropping off and collecting children from school. The last thing anyone wants is for an accident to happen.

The police have also asked us to share that on 15th February 2023 between 1100hrs and 1300hrs the local Neighbourhood Policing Team are holding a property marking event at the Police & Fire HQ, Alverton Court, Northallerton. This is part of the Day of Action and is a chance for you to take cycles, laptops, mobile phones and have them property marked and receive security advice. This is a free service and a great opportunity to protect your valuable belongings. No appointment necessary, just pop down on the day.

World Book Day



World Book day is on the 2nd March and Mrs Clarke is busy arranging some great events to celebrate all things books and reading. More details will follow but the children are being invited to dress up as their favourite book character as part of the day.

Spelling Bee

On the 18th January our school took part in an annual Spelling Bee which consisted of Alverton, Brompton, Romanby and Broomfield. Our school took two kids from each year group to Brompton school. We got three first places out of six events so half of the events went our way. So overall, we got first place. Everyone really enjoyed it!

By Matthew J.

FoRS

Thank you to the Friends of Romanby School who have funded fifteen new Chromebooks that have been installed in KS1 and will start being used after the half term break.

There were some great donations as part of the Dare to Be Different day today. We look forward to seeing the hampers in a few weeks' time. Thank you to everyone who sent in something for this collection.

Diary Dates

21 st February	Y1/2 Girls football session
22 nd February	Cake Appeal – DEC Earthquake fundraising
28 th February	Y5/6 Girls football session
28 th February	Height and Weight Checks (Rec and Y6)
1 st March	Y5/6 Dodgeball competition
2 nd March	World Book Day
7 th March	Y3/4 Girls football session
15 th March	Y5/6 Hi 5 Netball
16 th March	Sleep Awareness Day
17 th March	Comic Relief
21 st March	Y3/4 Play – Dragon Days (9.30am)
22 nd March	Y3/4 Play – Dragon Days (6.00pm)
27 th March	Y5 East Barnby Outdoor Centre Residential Visit
29 th March	Key Steps Gymnastics Y1-Y6

Stars of the Week

Every Friday we have a special celebration assembly when staff give out awards that link to our “Secrets of Success”.

Congratulations to the following children who received the “Star of the Week” award in our celebration assembly today:

Mrs. Hugill's class	Joshua, Maisie
Mrs. Allen's	Oliver, Luca
Miss. Hillary's class	James, Sophie
Mrs. Seal's class	Emelia, Evie
Mrs. Weeks' and Mrs. Crocker's class	Gabe, Eliza
Mrs. Slaney's class	Georgia, Omar
Miss Cable's class	Emily, Georgia
Mrs. Holme's class	Niall, Laila

Mrs. Howe's and Mrs. Cornock's class	Avleen, James
Mrs. Clarke's class	Lily, Will

Team Point Scores

Team	Total this half-term	Total for the year
Birch (B)	411	1688
Sycamore (G)	407	1831
Hawthorn (R)	399	1826
Oak (Y)	405	1845

The letters in brackets link to the old colour teams.

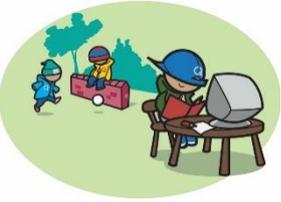
Safeguarding

If you ever have any concerns about the safety or wellbeing of a child at our school, please speak to one of our Safeguarding Leads. Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Foxwell and the Deputy Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Allen.










Secrets of Success

We all follow three simple rules
We have the right to be treated with respect
We have the right to learn
We have the right to be safe



RRSA: Article 28 – We have the right to a good quality education.

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