



# Romanby Primary School Newsletter

**"Making Every Moment Matter"**

**19<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

Over the last two weeks school has been busy with lots of different Christmas events. Well done to the children in Reception who performed 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel' to family and friends. The children in Year 1 and Year 2 also shared the Christmas story through fantastic performances of "Lights Camel Action". Everyone enjoyed our Christmas Jumper and Christmas dinner day (a special thank you to the ladies in the kitchen!) This week has seen Christingles being made and visits to local churches, EYFS and KS1 enjoyed their Christingle event in school led by Mrs Crocker. Each class has also enjoyed a party afternoon.

We have also been coming to the end of this term's learning projects for each year group. The children in KS2 have shared their work with parents (including some great samba drumming from the Y3/4 children!)

It is always great to see the children really enjoy this time of year in the school calendar. Merry Christmas and a happy new year from everyone in school!

## **Staffing**

Best wishes to Mrs. Clarke who is starting her maternity leave. Mrs Mayhew will be teaching with Mrs Holme while Mrs Clarke is absent. Mrs Howe will be teaching her class fulltime.

Good luck to Miss Harding who has completed her teaching practice in Y2. We wish her well in her next placement.

## **Parent Governor**

Following the advertised vacancy for a new parent governor we are pleased to say that Mr L. Grant has been elected to the governing body.

## **Arbor**

Please can you remind parents to turn on notifications from Arbor and log in to your app to ensure you receive messages sent via the In-App system.

## **Singing Groups**

Well done to all the children who have represented school at the different Christmas events over the last fortnight. They sang at the school Christmas Fair, attended the Christmas Tree Festival in Northallerton (where the iCreate club had made the decorations for the tree), joined the Sing Together group at Romanby Methodist Church and visited the Ageing Well group at Kirk House.

## **Imaginosity Challenge**

This week lots of the children have taken part in our Imaginosity challenge following an input from the artist Simon Crook earlier this term. This involved working together in small groups to find ways to keep a marble moving in the classroom for as long as possible. Thank you to everyone who brought in cardboard to help make this happen. The groups have all had different ideas and created things such as marble mazes and helter-skelters. They have also learned a lot about the effect of gravity! Simon came into school this week to talk to the children as they demonstrated their work.

## Jorvik

Despite the weather being wet and cold on Monday the children in Year 3/4 enjoyed a visit to Jorvik and Dig as the final part of their Invasion Project. They learnt lots about archaeology and what life was like in Viking times.

## 12 Days of Christmas Writing Challenge.

Congratulations to the winners of the Christmas writing competition and well done to all the children who entered. Everyone got a little treat for entering and the winners were lucky enough to be awarded a selection box. Mrs Clarke gave out the prizes in assembly and shared some of the different types of writing that were completed. Well done the prize winners:

KS1 - Eddie, George

Y3/4 - Toby, Layla

Y5/6 - Scarlett H, Annie, Noah

## Climate Action Plan



All schools in England must have a Climate Action Plan in place. There are many things schools can do to prepare all young people for a changing world through learning and practical experiences. Creating a school climate action plan is an important first step. We are pleased that our plan has been recognised as we work towards achieving some of our targets.

## Diary Dates

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| • 5 <sup>th</sup> January                     | Professional Training Day – School Closed            |
| • 6 <sup>th</sup> January                     | School Opens   |
| • 7 <sup>th</sup> January                     | Y5/6 Swimming Gala                                   |
| • 21 <sup>st</sup> January                    | KS2 Cross Country Event                              |
| • 23 <sup>rd</sup> January                    | Pantomime Visit, 6.00pm                              |
| • 28 <sup>th</sup> January                    | HDT Dental Screening for 5 year olds                 |
| • 9 <sup>th</sup> February                    | Reception 'Stay and Play', 9.10am                    |
| • 10 <sup>th</sup> February                   | Young Voices Concert, Sheffield                      |
| • 11 <sup>th</sup> February                   | Y5/6 Tag Rugby Event                                 |
| • 11 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup> February | Parent/Teacher Meetings                              |
| • 16 <sup>th</sup> February                   | Half Term  |
| • 27 <sup>th</sup> February                   | Y3/4 and Y5/6 Virtual Reality Workshops              |
| • 3 <sup>rd</sup> March                       | KS1 Fun Run Event                                    |
| • 11 <sup>th</sup> March                      | Y3/4 Tchoukball Event                                |
| • 18 <sup>th</sup> March                      | Y5/6 Dodgeball Event                                 |
| • 20 <sup>th</sup> March                      | Red Nose Day   |
| • 23 <sup>rd</sup> March                      | Reception 'Stay and Play', 9.10am                    |
| • 26 <sup>th</sup> March                      | Y1/2 Parent Art Workshop, 2.30pm                     |
| • 27 <sup>th</sup> March                      | Professional development training day: School Closed |
| • 30 <sup>th</sup> March                      | Easter holiday begins                                |

## Term dates for 2026-27

Professional development training day: Monday 7 September 2026 (School Closed)

Autumn term starts: Tuesday 8 September 2026

Professional development training day: Friday 23 October 2026 (School Closed)

Half term holiday: Monday 26 October 2026 to Friday 30 October 2026

Christmas holiday: Monday 21 December 2026 to Friday 1 January 2027

Professional development training day: Monday 4 January 2027 (School Closed)

Spring term starts: Tuesday 5 January 2027

Half term holiday: Monday 8 February 2027 to Friday 12 February 2027

Professional development training day: Friday 19 March 2027 (School Closed)

Easter holiday: Monday 22 March 2027 to Friday 2 April 2027

Summer term starts: Monday 5 April 2027

Bank holiday: Monday 3 May 2027

Half term holiday: Monday 31 May 2027 to Friday 4 June 2027

Term ends: Friday 23 July 2027

Professional development training day: Monday 26 July 2027 (School Closed)

Dates are also on our website [Calendar < Romanby Primary School](#)

## 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 in our last two celebration assemblies:

<b>Mis Jenkin's class</b>	Elisa, Alfie, Jenson, Bethany
<b>Miss McNally's class</b>	Flora, Lottie, Nahla-Rose
<b>Mrs. Whittaker's class</b>	All Y2, Lucy, Lily
<b>Mrs. Weeks' and Mrs. Crocker's class</b>	Zac, Elliott, Maisie, Ruby T, Ruby M
<b>Mrs. Seal's class</b>	Gracie, Max, Evie, Eric, Daisy, Olivia, Ralphie, Rosie
<b>Mrs. Hugill's class</b>	Mila, Heather-Grace, Isaac, Flynn
<b>Mrs. Webster's class</b>	Arlo, Annora, Mrs Webster's 'Marble run' Superstars
<b>Mrs. Howe's and Mrs. Mayhew's class</b>	Toby, Elliott, Finnegan, Summer
<b>Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Holme's class</b>	Edie, Isabelle, Emelia, Isaac

## 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 or email [dsl@romanby.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:dsl@romanby.n-yorks.sch.uk). Our Designated Safeguarding Leads are Mr Foxwell and Miss Jenkins.



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