

Romanby Primary School Newsletter

"Making Every Moment Matter"

28th March 2025

Next week we welcome Mrs Mayhew back to school following her maternity leave. After Easter she will be teaching along side Mrs Howe in Year 5/6. Mrs Howe will teach the children from Monday to Wednesday and Mrs Mayhew will teach on a Thursday and Friday. Thank you to Mrs Howe for covering the full-time teaching role since the start of the academic year. Thank you as well to Miss Jenkins who has taken on the role of deputy headteacher while Mrs. Mayhew has been away from school.

Y3/4 – The Bee Musical



This week the children in Y3/4 have put on two fantastic performances of "The Bee Musical". They have worked hard over the last few weeks to learn lines and songs, organise costumes and work together to put together a play that was enjoyed by both performers and audiences. Thank you to everyone who helped the children share this memorable occasion.

Easter/RE lessons

As we look forward to the Easter holiday we would like to thank our local churches who have helped us learn more about the Easter story and support our RE lessons. This has included visits by the children in Reception to Romanby Methodist Church and to New Life Baptist Church by the children in Y5. The children in Y3/4 also welcomed some visitors into school to develop their understanding of their RE topic, "Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?"

Dodgeball

Congratulations to the children in Y5/6 who won the inter school Dodgeball competition held at the Leisure Centre last week. As well as winning it was great to hear about their fantastic behaviour as representatives of the school. A special mention to Naziv who was awarded an individual medal for his high level of skills.



Music for Life



Thanks to the Friends of Romanby School and Sowerby Music who once again enabled us to take part in the Music for Life programme. The school has been involved with this project for many years and each time we have visits from different professional musicians who perform for the whole school before completing workshops with different groups of children. The children then share their work with the rest of the

school at the end of the day. This year the children in Y3/4 worked with a group called Cri du Canard to learn and perform traditional French folk songs and dances.

Bikeability



The final groups of Year 5 children to complete their bikeability training have now been given their certificates and badges. The children have worked hard on developing their skills for cycling on the roads, navigating junctions and traffic and being safe and responsible cyclists. Congratulations to everyone who has completed the course!

British Science Week poster competition – Adapt and Change

Congratulations to Tabitha S, Millie R and Alyssa M who were the school winners of the British Science Week poster competition. Their entries have now been sent into the national competition.

Go Red for Red Nose Day 2025 Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Red Nose Day fundraising. We raised £170.

Redeem your vouchers for free holiday activities and food this Easter We have issued FEAST vouchers to all



families whose children/young people receive benefits-related free school meals. These vouchers entitle your child to free places on FEAST activities this Easter holiday, where they'll also receive a free healthy meal. You should have received this voucher via email or text, from a platform called Holiday Activities. Follow the link to redeem your voucher and book your child's place on some of the fantastic activities on offer in our area.

If you believe your child is eligible and you have not yet received your voucher, or you have lost it, please contact the school office.

To learn more about FEAST, and for information on activities, eligibility and how to manage your bookings, <u>visit the website</u>.

Tesco Stronger Starts

With the help of the Friends of Romanby School a bid was recently put into Tesco Stronger Starts for funding to upgrade some of the outdoor play equipment to give the children more opportunities for active, imaginative and healthy play.

We are delighted to let you know that the application has been successful and our project will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores. Voting will commence in store from the first week in April 2025 until the end of June 2025. Please support us if you shop in the Northallerton Tesco.

A big Thank You from Friends of Romanby School!

February and March have been extremely busy months of fundraising with bake sales, World Book Day events, Coin Wars, Spring Discos, and the Year 3/4 play raffle! A huge thank you to everyone who has baked, made, donated, and volunteered - every penny and every minute are truly appreciated. Thanks to your generosity, we have raised over **£1,500** from these events! All funds go directly back to the school, helping to purchase things such as **new Chromebooks, books for each year group, contributions towards school trip transport**, and many other wonderful resources that benefit all our children.

Give yourselves a big pat on the back—we appreciate each and every one of you! Be sure to check out the attached posters for some **exciting Easter events** happening in the first week back after the holidays.

We are always looking for more volunteers to help at events, so if you can spare any time, please join our Facebook page, **Friends of Romanby School**, to stay updated on all our fantastic activities. **From the Friends of Romanby School**.

Attendance

As we continue our journey through the school year, we wanted to take a moment to emphasise the importance of regular school attendance for our children. Our whole school attendance figure is currently 96.4%. This compares well to the national statistics at the moment. Each day at school offers valuable learning and social opportunities that help build a strong foundation for their future.



We understand that there may be times when absences are unavoidable. However, we encourage you to prioritise school attendance whenever possible. Your support in ensuring your child is present and engaged in their learning environment makes a significant difference.

Young Carer Service

The Young Carers Service supports Young Carers with their caring role and helps to build on their confidence and resilience to enable them to realise their own potential. Their support also reaches to the families and siblings of Young Carers, with a whole family approach. For more information please see Young Carer Service | Our Services | Carers Plus Yorkshire

Diary Dates

- 31st March Y5 Residential Visit to Marrick Priory Outdoor Centre
- 31st March EYFS 'Stay and Play' for parents, 9:10am – 10:00am
- 2nd April Y5/6 Hi5 Netball Competition
- 3rd April Y1/2 Open Afternoon for parents "Bright Lights, Big City" 2:15pm – 3:15pm
- 4th April Last day of term before the Easter holiday
- 21st April **Bank Holiday**
- 22nd April Start of summer term
- 23rd April EYFS visit to Baydale Farm
- 29th April **Spelling Bee Competition**
- 30th April Y5/6 Cricket Competition •
- 8th May Y3/4 Cricket Competition
- 12th May Y6 SAT Week
- 26th May Half term week
- 4th June Y5/6 Sports hall Athletics
- 11th June Y3/4 Sports hall Athletics
- 12th June KS2 Sports Day
- 17th June Y5/6 Performance – 9.15am
- 17th June Y5/6 Performance – 6.00pm •
- 18th June Y3/4 Mini Tennis Competition
- 26th June Class Photos
- 27th June Summer Fair
- 30th June Y6 London Residential Visit
- 3rd July
- EYFS/KS1 Sports Day
- 9th July Y1/2 Multiskills Event •
- 9th July **Open Evening**
- 10th July Y1/2 visit to Monk Park Farm
- 16th July Leavers Assembly - 9.00am
- 18th July Last day of term

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 last two celebration assemblies:

Reception class	Jaxson, James, Evie, Saoirse, Flora, George
Mrs. Seal's class	Ruby, Thomas, Rowan, Cici, Aimee, Xander, Lochlan
Mrs. Whittaker's class	Maisie, Isaac, Billy, Layla, Millie
Mrs. Weeks' and Mrs. Crocker's class	Harriet, Callie, Scarlett, Owen
Mrs. Holme's class	Koby, Charlie, Arlo, Felix
Mrs. Hugill's class	Nirmol, Scarlett, Harry, Charlie
Mrs. Slaney's class	Emilia, Harbour, Poppy, Sadie
Mrs. Howe's class	Seth, Ashton, Seth, Cameron
Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Webster's class	Erica, Imogen, Omar, Hayden,

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. Our Designated Safeguarding Leads are Mr Foxwell and Miss Jenkins.



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