



Romanby Primary School Newsletter

"Making Every Moment Matter"

7th November 2025

We hope that everyone had a good half term break. The new half term has got off to a busy start and next week looks no different. We'll be holding special assemblies throughout the week to help the children think about their behaviour, learn more about Diabetes and also to reflect on Remembrance Day.

Staffing update

Congratulations to Miss Hillary who gave birth to a little girl over half term! Mum and baby are both doing well.

You may be aware that Mrs Clarke will be going on maternity leave later this term. During her absence her class will be taught by Mrs Holme on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs Mayhew will teach the children on a Thursday and Friday. Mrs Howe will teach full time in the class that she and Mrs Mayhew currently teach together. As Mrs Holme currently teaches Mrs Whittaker's class on a Wednesday, we have arranged for Miss Turner to teach Mrs. Whittaker's class instead of Mrs Holme. Miss Turner already works in the class so knows the children well. Should you have any questions please speak to the relevant members of staff.

Please can we ask that if parents need to pass a message onto the class teacher they either send a note into school with their child to be handed to the teacher or contact the school office who will forward any messages onto the teacher. Staff are always available at the end of the day to speak to parents but due to safeguarding reasons do not have the time in a morning. Thank you for your understanding.

Assembly invite

On Thursday 20th November, Mrs Crocker will be leading a special assembly to share stories and pictures from her visit to Ghana earlier this term. Parents and grandparents are very welcome to join us in school for this at 10:25am.

Primary School Admissions

You can now apply for a primary school place for them to start school in Reception in September 2026 and the deadline to apply is 15th January, 2026. Please see the attached document for more information.

Could You Be Our Next Parent Governor?

We are looking for a passionate and committed parent to join our Governing Body as a Parent Governor. Information has been sent out via email or contact the school office for further details.

World Diabetes Day – Friday 14th November

Children are invited to come to school dressed in blue to show support for those affected by diabetes. If you'd like to make a donation to support Diabetes UK, please visit our JustGiving page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/romanby-diabetes-uk>

Anti-bullying Week

Next week is national anti-bullying week. To help raise awareness, children are encouraged to wear odd socks to school on Monday. This simple act celebrates individuality and reminds us all that it's okay to be different. Over the rest of the week each class will be having discussions about how we can use the power we have for good, to bring bullying to an end. We are particularly focusing on how you can use your power for good if you witness bullying and want to understand how you can safely help.



Can you help?

Physical activity is essential for the overall wellbeing of children. This website gives families lots of ideas on how they can include more physical activities into their daily routines [Think Active Home - Think Active](#)

To further promote the importance of physical activity, it would be fantastic to share what activities our pupils and families take part in outside of school therefore I would greatly appreciate it if you could send photos into school, whether printed or emailed to the school office, to celebrate the different activities. This could include family walks, bouncing on a trampoline or a trip to an activity centre, not just sports that the children play or take part in.

I am hoping to create an ever-changing display board in the hall for all the school to see. No photos will be published or posted on social media. Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Howe

Scarecrow Festival

Congratulations to the children who worked with Mr Form to make our entry to the Romanby Scarecrow Festival. A lot of fun was had by all and we were really pleased to be awarded third place!



UPDATE FROM FORS

A huge thank you to everyone who supported Dress to Light Up the Skies Day! We were over the moon with your generosity - so many bottles and chocolates were donated for the Christmas Fair tombola.

And what an amazing turnout for the school discos this week! We hope the children had a fantastic time, and thanks to your support, we raised an incredible £641!

The FoRS Committee has been busy behind the scenes planning all things festive recently, the main one being the Christmas Fair on Tuesday 2nd December, 6pm to 8pm - always a favourite way to kick off the festive season. Make sure you save the date!

We have also been hard at work gathering some amazing raffle prizes for the Christmas Raffle. Tickets will be coming home with the children at the end of next week, so please look out for them.

The children have also been getting creative at school, drawing their Christmas scenes and self-portraits for this year's whole-school tea towel and Christmas cards. Details of how to order will be messaged very soon.

Finally, don't forget our next Bake Sale on Monday 17th November after school.

We're asking KS2 parents to bring in any tasty homemade or shop-bought treats on Monday morning - and everyone else, remember to bring your pennies after school. We raised a a superb amount of £243.60 at the last one!

From The FoRS Committee.

Diary Dates

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| • 10 th November | Anti-bullying Week |
| • 11 th November | Remembrance Day |
| • 12 th November | Y6 Crucial Crew |
| • 13 th November | Flu Vaccinations |
| • 13 th November | Y5/6 walk to Romanby War Memorial |
| • 14 th November | World Diabetes Day |
| • 17 th November | FoRS KS2 Bake Sale |
| • 20 th November | Mrs Crocker Ghana Assembly |
| • 2 nd December | FoRS Christmas Fair |
| • 3 rd December | Y5/6 Christingle at St James Church |
| • 5 th December | Singing Group at Christmas Tree Festival |
| • 8 th December | Y1/2 Lights, Camera, Action performance, 10.30am |
| • 9 th December | Reception Nativity performance, 9.30am |
| • 9 th December | Y1/2 Lights, Camera, Action performance, 6.00pm |
| • 10 th December | Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day |
| • 10 th December | Year 5/6 Theme open afternoon for parents, 2:45pm |
| • 12 th December | Year 3/4 Theme open afternoon for parents, 2.45pm |
| • 15 th December | Y5/6 Visit to Jorvik |
| • 16 th December | Year 3/4 Christmas party |
| • 17 th December | Year 3/4 Christingle Service – Romanby Methodist Church |
| • 17 th December | Year 5/6 Christmas party |
| • 18 th December | EYFS and KS1 Christingle Service in school |
| • 18 th December | Year 1/2 Christmas party |
| • 19 th December | Reception Christmas party |
| • 19 th December | Last Day of Term |
| • 5 th January | Professional Training Day – School Closed |
| • 6 th January | School Opens |

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:

Mis Jenkin’s class	Hamdullah, Henry
Miss Hillary’s class	Saoirse, Amber
Mrs. Whittaker’s class	Leia, Josh
Mrs. Weeks’ and Mrs. Crocker’s class	Inas, Athena-Rose
Mrs. Seal’s class	Thomas, Zak
Mrs. Hugill’s class	Ollie, Dylan
Mrs. Slaney’s class	Eloise, Maisie
Mrs. Howe’s and Mrs. Mayhew’s class	Pippa, Evie
Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Holme’s class	Harrison, Ethan

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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If you would like this information in another language or format please let us know.