Romanby Primary School Newsletter

"Making Every Moment Matter"

13th November 2026

We have had another wonderful week of school with the children enjoying a range of activities within their new learning projects. This past two week's, Year 5&6 have been busy learning about mechanisms in science and drawing ritual vessels in Art based on the Shang Dynasty. Year 3&4 have been enjoying hockey in PE and writing instructions about how to look after a tortoise in English. Our Year 2's have particularly enjoyed learning about Otto Lilienthal, celebrated as 'The Father of Flight' and created some beautiful pictures of the first glider. Year 1 have been looking at shape this week in maths and have completed some wonderful writing about Helen Keller. And, Reception have been looking at how machines work and brought some wonderful things in from home which push, spin, pull, roll and lift.

As you are aware, Mrs Mayhew is expecting a baby in the New Year and we are delighted to announce that Mrs Webster who already works in the class will be covering her as class teacher for her maternity leave. This will likely begin mid-January.

Secondary School applications
Please note that 30th November is the deadline for secondary school applications to be submitted.

Odd Socks Day
To mark the start of Anti-Bullying Week, we will be taking part in Odd Socks Day on Monday, 16th November. Children are invited to come to school wearing odd socks as a fun way to celebrate what makes us all unique and to show our support for kindness, respect and inclusion.
We look forward to seeing everyone's colourful and creative socks!

Site Security
After reviewing safeguarding procedures, we would like to update parents that the bottom gate to the school playground will remain locked. However, Handy Helpers will continue to use this gate as their access point – please use the doorbell on the gate to gain access after school hours.

Year 2 Fun Run
Last Wednesday, all of our Year 2 children had a fantastic time taking part in the Fun Run at Northallerton School and Sixth Form College. While competing against children from other local schools, they tackled two full laps of the school field in separate girls' and boys' races. Every single child gave 100% effort, showing brilliant determination, enthusiasm and sportsmanship throughout. We are incredibly proud of all the children for their fantastic effort and for representing our school so brilliantly. Well done, Year 2!

Year 2 – Yorkshire Air Museum Visit
As part of our *Flight Through Time* topic, Year 2 enjoyed a fantastic day out at the Yorkshire Air Museum last Thursday. The children took part in a range of interesting workshops, including an aircraft 'treasure hunt', where they had great fun spotting different planes. They also learnt about the pioneers of flight and explored how aircraft have developed over time. The children thoroughly enjoyed the different activities and gained lots of new knowledge to support their learning back at school.



We were very proud of their impeccable behaviour, enthusiasm and brilliant questions throughout the day. A huge thank you to the parents who kindly came along to help and to FORs for their generous donation towards the trip, which helped make this wonderful experience possible.

KS2 Cross Country Competition

'On Tuesday, we went to Northallerton School for a cross-country competition. The Year 3&4's had to do two laps of half of the field and the Year 5&6's a little bit more! We all had a really fun time even though the competition was quite tough. Everybody tried their hardest and had a great day!'



By Lleyton and Joshua D

Young Leaders Y5/6 and Y2 with Duncan

Last Friday, our Year 5 & 6 children took part in some Young Leader training led by Duncan Burgess, our School Games Organiser. First, they tried out different outside games with no equipment such as stuck in the mud to get everyone busy! After that, they had the opportunity to create their own games, with guidance from Duncan, which they could then use with younger children. Equipment that the children have access to at playtimes was also introduced before the Year 2's got to try out the various games. The children really enjoyed the afternoon and look forward to leading these in the playground!

Remembrance Day

On Wednesday, our service pupils hosted our Remembrance assembly; they brilliantly delivered the important message about why we hold this assembly each year. The school, including our reception children, were highly engaged and respectful as **We Remember**. Our service pupils also had the pleasure of attending a Service of Remembrance at Ripon Cathedral on Monday.



FEAST

Get ready for FEAST this Christmas

FEAST provides holiday activities with healthy meals to children and young people in the Christmas holidays. All families are welcome to join in, with fully funded places for eligible children and young people.

Christmas vouchers go live on Monday 23 November. Eligible families will receive a voucher by email or text through HolidayActivities, with a link to browse activities and request places.

You can request places from Monday 23 November, but providers will only begin confirming bookings from Wednesday 25 November. This gives all families time to look at the activities and request places before any are allocated, helping more children and young people take part. You'll receive confirmation if your child has a place.

Not sure whether your child is eligible? Visit the FEAST eligibility page for more information.

- For more information about FEAST, visit the website
- For FEAST queries not answered by our online FAQs, email: hello@northyorkshiretogether.co.uk

· For support with your HolidayActivities account, contact support@holidayactivities.com

Special Diets
Please note that if your child has any food allergens, intolerances or require a special diet please speak to the school office and they can ensure that all relevant information is forwarded to the kitchen and any special requirements are catered for.



Diary Dates

13th November	Children In Need Day
16th November	KS2 Bake Sale – 3:25pm
16th November	Odd Socks Day as part of Anti-Bullying Week
16th November	Y6 Crucial Crew
24th November	Year 3/4 visit to Flamingo Land Zoo
27th November	Y5/6 Careers Afternoon, 2-3pm
1st December	FORS Christmas Fair
7th December	Year 1/2 Nativity, 10.30am
8th December	Y3/4 Parent theme open afternoon, 2.45pm
8th December	Reception Nativity, 9.10am – 9.40am
8th December	Year 1/2 Nativity, 6.00pm
9th December	Y5/6 Parent theme open afternoon, 2:45pm
10th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner
14th December	Year 5/6 Visit to Bedale High School to watch Seussical Jr Musical
15th December	Year 5/6 Christmas party
16th December	Year 3/4 Christmas party
17th December	Year 1/2 Christmas Party
18th December	Reception Christmas Party

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:

Mis Jenkins' class	Olive, Rowan, Oliver, Logan
Miss Hillary's class	Hamdullah, Ivy, Jenson, Beau
Mrs. Whittaker's class	Arlo, Bernard, Harvey, Oscar
Mrs. Hugill's class	Leia, Marnie, George, Isaac
Mrs. Weeks' and Mrs. Crocker's class	Maisie, Lukas, Imogen, Lucy
Mrs. Holme's and Mrs. Slaney's class	Aria W, Omra, Aria H, Ethan
Mrs. Clarke's and Mrs. Mayhew's class	Daniel, Harper, Harriet, Rosie
Mrs. Seal's class	Wren, Scarlett, Qiyaam, Freyja, Olivia, Charlie

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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