



NEWSLETTER

Rufford C. of E. Primary School

Flash Lane, Rufford, Ormskirk, Lancashire, L40 1SN

'Together in Faith and Learning'



Date: 19th December 2025



Stars of the Half Term

Little Squirrels: **Finley**

Oak: **Ava**

Ash: **Effie**

Maple: **Albie**

Elm: **Alexa**

Rowan: **Jack R**



WWJD

What Would Jesus Do?



Oak: **Teddy** for showing the value of **compassion** and carrying the water bottles to and from Oak Class for all his Year 1 peers.

Ash: **Jak** – for **generously** giving his PE sports card to a friend when they ripped theirs.

Maple: **Rupert** – for showing the value of **Love** this Christmas time!

Elm: **Jack H** – for showing the value of **trust**, being trusted to do the right thing

Rowan: **Dylan:** **FRIENDSHIP** for thinking of others in his class and making our hot chocolate experience more enjoyable by bringing in biscuits from home.



Polar Express in Words



Little Squirrels: The Polar Express goes chuff, chuff, chuff' **Isabella** 'Tickets please!' **Finley**

Oak: "I loved coming to school in my pyjamas!" - **Isla**

Ash: "Yeah! We're using glitter!" **Connie**

Maple: I loved meeting Santa and doing our drawing of the North Pole.

Elm: We wrote some beautiful sentences about the journey – **Max**

Rowan: 'We are enjoying exploring the magical world of the Polar Express book and Monday's visit from Santa went on track!' **Joseph/Orla**



Offer to help someone who is facing difficulties at the moment



Action for Happiness Do Good December

Oak: Help others by giving away something that you do not need.

Ash: We have enjoyed the little acts of kindness that appeared in our classroom.

Maple: Buy an extra item and donate it to a local food bank.

Elm: Look for something positive to say to everyone you speak to.

Rowan: Be generous! Feed someone with kindness today.



'Let your light shine in the world' (Matthew 5:16)

Polar Express **Week**



Week Commencing 15th December

We have had a fantastic week enjoying the story of the Polar Express. Not only did we start the week with a visit from the big man, Father Christmas, we then enjoyed lots of fun activities in class and a light show in worship! We even came to school in our pjs! Scroll down to the next page for all our pictures!



Merry Christmas



On behalf of all of us here at Rufford, we would like to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2026. May this New Year be one full of happiness and good health for us all. Thank you for all your Christmas wishes, cards and gifts.

Key Term Dates:



- **Monday 5th January 2026** - School reopens for spring term.
- **Tuesday 6th January 2026** - Epiphany prayer spaces.
- **Wednesday 7th January** - Rowan Class Faith in the Forest
- **Wednesday 7th January** - Judo club starts.
- **Thursday 8th January** - KS2 swimming gala - selected children.
- **Monday 9th February** - Spirituality Day- what is spirituality?
- **Friday 13th February** - school closes for half term.
- **Monday 23rd February** - INSET Day
- **Tuesday 24th February** - School reopens.



The Nativity



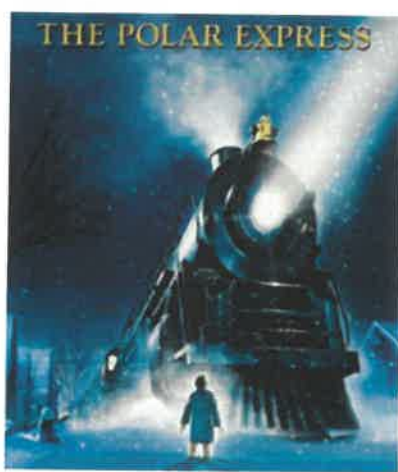
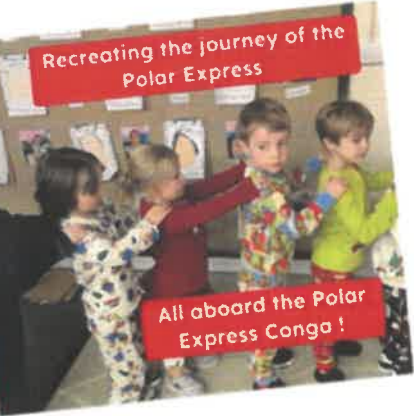
Weren't they amazing!

We really enjoyed watching our infant children perform their nativity this week. It was great to see all their smiles, hear their amazing singing and see their confidence brimming as they said their lines so clearly. Well done to everyone. A massive thank you to their teachers too, who did an fantastic job putting it all together. Thank you also to our Friends for serving teas, coffees and organising the rainbow raffle.

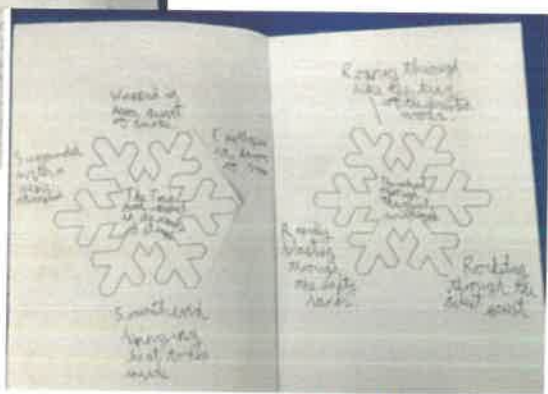
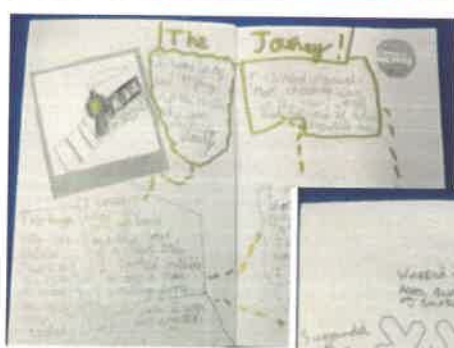
Admission Arrangements

Every 7 years, schools have to review their admission arrangements and have a consultation about them, before they are finalised. This period lasts for 6 weeks.

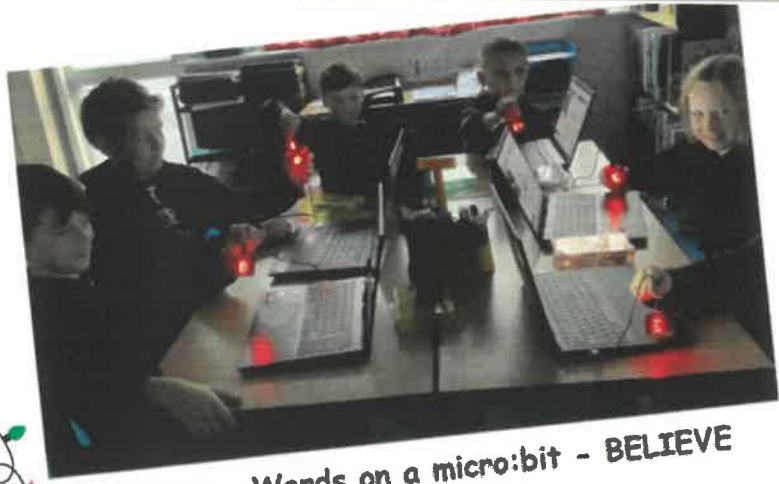
Our proposed admission policy can be found on our website under admissions.



Polar Express Week 2025



Our bridges for the Polar Express! We made the bridges as part of our 'Structures' topic in Design Technology!



Polar Express Words on a micro:bit - BELIEVE



