



# NEWSLETTER

## Rufford C.of E. Primary School

Flash Lane, Rufford, Ormskirk, Lancashire, L40 1SN  
'Together in Faith and Learning'



Date: Friday 13th March 2026

### Our Mums - Our Shining Stars

**Little Squirrels:** 'My Mummy is a star because she just is!' Ari

**Oak:** My Mummy is the best! Fiadh

**Ash:** 'We love our mums!' Ash Class

**Maple:** Our Mums always cheer us on and help us out! Patrick and Rupert.

**Elm:** Our mums are special in so many ways and we say a huge thank you - Jeffrey

**Rowan:** Thank you to all our mums for special events they organise for us like birthday parties. Edward



### WWJD

#### What Would Jesus Do?



**Oak:** **Charlotte W for respect** - for always being respectful of people's belongings and everyone in school.

**Ash:** **Blake** - for **perseverance** - working so hard in his maths assessment and keeping going.

**Maple:** **Hettie** - for showing **Perseverance** in her writing and completing a super newspaper report.

**Elm:** **Jack H-** for **reverence** in his portrayal of Jesus in our Easter worship.

**Rowan:** **Oliver** - Ms Bell nominated him for **Compassion and friendship**, giving a friend confidence and support whilst he read during whole school worship.

### Our Voice This Week

#### Science Day! Let's get curious!



**Oak:** We really enjoyed Mrs Anderson and Mrs Atkinson coming to visit us

**Ash:** 'This is brilliant!' **Connie**, about our rocket balloons.

**Maple:** I enjoyed learning about making different apps for Octopus Energy! -

**Albie** I enjoyed making real moving Mars Rovers! - **Luna**

**Elm:** We enjoyed a quiz trail around school to identify microscope images of various objects - **Bella**

**Rowan:** We enjoyed discovering some objects that had been magnified many times over! **Evie**

### Mindful March



**Oak:** **Focus on what makes you and others happy today.**

**Ash:** **We have enjoyed the windy weather, going outside and feeling the wind in our face!**

**Maple:** **Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted.**

**Elm:** **Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes.**

**Rowan:** **Notice something that is going well today, even if it feels different.**

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

# Science Day 2026!

Mrs Newsham organised a fantastic Science Day for us all on Monday. We shared lots of fun activities and enjoyed guest speakers who came to tell us about their careers in Science too! Thank you to all our parent speakers. It was lovely to have you in school and we certainly learnt a lot.



## Nursing



## Engineering, tax and the law!

We then had lots of fun making a lunar lander spacecraft and working together to reach targets!



## Outside! Launching into outer space!

# Fabulous Football!



Year 5 and 6 Football World Cup. The children played brilliantly together finishing the tournament with a tense penalty shootout which we won.



On Tuesday night, Year 5 and 6 entered a football World Cup tournament. They represented school brilliantly and it was lovely to see everyone so excited and cheering each other on. What a great example of friendship, team work and respect for each other. A great win for us on penalties too! Well done Team Rufford!

## Count your Blessings!



Lent here at Rufford



Last week we asked the community for help with our blessings. Our community counted them for:

- The beautiful area we live in.
- The village family that we have.
- All the activities going on in the village.
- Our friends and family.
- Our health
- Father Mark counted his blessings for us!

Next week join with us counting our blessings with a night sky theme!

# Spring Parent's Evening



Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March: 3.30pm - 6pm

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March: 3.30pm - 6pm

Year 1 parents - Monday  
appointments only for Mrs Turner.  
She is starting from 2.30pm.

## Lent and Holy Week for Parents



**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March**  
**10.30 - 11.30**



As a school, we will be having our own Holy Week on the last week of term. Children will explore Holy Week through international artwork and outdoor experiences. If you too, would like to step off the life train for an hour during this time, the hall will be open from 10.30 - 11.30 for you to have some time of quiet reflection during this special time.

## Easter Bunny Bounce

**MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**



This year our Easter Bunny Bounce will take place on the first day back after Easter - the 13<sup>th</sup> of April. Sponser forms will come out just before the holidays. We are aiming to raise money for a seating circle and shelter in our Forest School area. A shelter would mean we can use the forest rain or shine!

## New P.E. Hoody!



**Available Now!**

It has been lovely to see some of our new PE hoodies being modelled this week in school - they look so smart! They are available to buy now in Whittakers and will be part of our uniform from September.



**RUFFORD SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!**

## PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS 2026

Do you enjoy getting your teeth into managing resources? Have you got a passion for education? If the answer is yes, being a school governor could be for you! Election forms will be out next week! If you have any questions about the role, please come and chat.

## Coming soon....

- Brand new website.
- Mini police program for Year 6 with PCSO Roy and PC Simon
- Visit from local MP Patrick Hurley
- Pentecost party!
- Summer educational visits in the planning!
- Dad's breakfast mornings

## Spring Term at Rufford



### Key Term Dates:



- **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March** - Shining Stars for Little Squirrels, Oak and Ash class mums.
- **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March** - Parents Evening 1 - 3.30pm - 6pm
- **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March** - School Council fitness games.
- **W/C 23<sup>rd</sup> March** - Holy Week in school.
- **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March** - Parents Evening 2 - 3.30pm-6pm
- **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March** - Elm Class Easter performance Three Trees. for parents at **2.15pm**.
- **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March** - 10.30am - 11.30am Holy Week for parents. Our hall will be open for quiet prayer and reflection.
- **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March** - Star of the Half Term at 1.30pm - invite to be sent the Monday before. School closes for Easter at 2pm. No Treehouse Club
- **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April** - School opens for Summer Term
- **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April** - Easter Bunny Bounce - Friends of Rufford
- **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April** - Archery morning club
- **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April** - MP Patrick Hurley visiting school
- **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April** - Rocksteady rock band launching in school



## Church News



### Easter Holiday Club

'Holiday Bible Club at Rufford Church Hall Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 9.30am - 12pm. For Primary School aged children. Please contact Hattie on [youth@rsmtht.church](mailto:youth@rsmtht.church) to book a place!

**HOLIDAY BIBLE CLUB  
EASTER EXPLORERS**  
MONDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH - THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL  
9.30AM TO 12PM  
RUFFORD CHURCH HALL  
FOR ALL PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

**FREE**  
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to book a place!

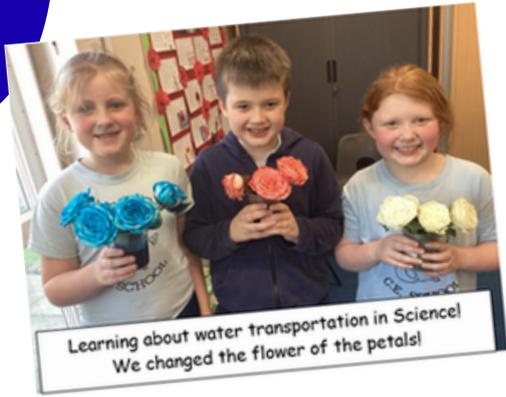
Booking  
Essential  
Limited number  
of places.

Games  
Crafts  
Songs

A journey  
from Palm  
Sunday to  
Easter and  
beyond!



# Our Week in Pictures!



**Super Science!**



**Doctors in Little Squirrels**



**Making a Mars Rover!**



**Group Challenges!**



**Unexpected topics!**



**In the court room!**



**Willow planting!**

