



NEWSLETTER

Rufford C.of E. Primary School

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



Date: Friday 27th February 2026

This week's Shining Stars



Little Squirrels: Bella

Oak: Henry, Eric and Bea

Ash: Kelsie, Tobias and George

Maple: Patrick, Ellissa and Lucas

Elm: Elektra, Jesse and Shae

Rowan: Olly, Hannah and Bea

WWJD

What Would Jesus Do?



Oak: Harry for perseverance – for trying really hard in all lessons, particularly phonics.

Ash: Edward for resilience – keeping going, no matter what the challenge.

Maple: Ben – for showing the value of thankfulness at the start of Lent and counting his blessings!

Elm: Alexa – for thankfulness by collecting over 60 blessings for Lent in the first day!

Rowan: Jack for the Christian Value of Friendship. For helping others in the classroom and whenever he is asked to do anything for anyone else.

Our Voice This Week

Loving Learning on our first week back!



Little Squirrels: 'An astronaut goes into space' **Arlo** 'I would take Spiderman and Peppa Pig into space with me!' **Forest**

Oak: We have enjoyed making fruity shaped poems! - **Livvi**

Ash: "Yeah!" when the class heard the result of our book vote this week; we will be reading 'The One Hundred Year Old Tortoise'.

Maple: I can't wait to start our sewing in Design Technology! - **Bea T**

Elm: We are each keeping daily Moon Diary to learn about how the Moon orbits the Earth - **Jesse**

Rowan: I really enjoyed sewing our transfiguration pictures because we linked Art with RE. **Anna**

Invite a friend over for a 'tea break' (in person or virtual)



Friendly February



Friends



Oak: Ask a friend how they have been feeling recently.

Ash: We have been giving positive comments to as many people as possible.

Maple: We are checking in with friends after half term.

Elm: Thank three people you feel grateful to and tell them why

Rowan: We have been counting the blessings of our friends this week.

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

Ash Wednesday



As Ash Wednesday fell in half term, Father Mark and Father Joe welcomed us to church this Wednesday instead. We learnt that Lent helps us to prepare for Easter and gives us a chance to be closer to God. We were offered the chance to have the sign of the cross in Ash on our heads and a blessing at the Eucharist. Well done to Rowan Class, who led our Bible reading and prayers.

Count your Blessings!



Lent here at Rufford

This week we launched our 10,000 challenge! During Lent, we are counting our blessings. The target is to count 10,000 blessings by the time we reach the end of term. We have a blessing counter in the hall and Year 6 will be helping us to keep a track each week. This week, the focus has been on the blessing of water. We have even been counting taps!



World Book Day 5th March 2026



World Book Day returns to school on the 5th March and you are welcome to dress up as your favourite book character. Mrs Murphy, the teachers and her team of volunteers have planned lots of amazing activities for us to enjoy!

SCHOOL NURSE DROP IN



FANCY A BREW?
Thursday 5th March

9.30am - 10.15am

Whether you want to see the nurse or **not**, the hall will be open for parents to pop in and have a brew, biscuit and a catch up! If you want to see the school nurse confidentially or just for a quick chat, you can do that too!

Shining Stars for Mums!



Friday 13th March at 2.30pm

Calling all mums from Little Squirrels, Oak and Ash Class. It is your time to shine! Join us for a special Shining Star Worship for mums, led by our infant children. Our Friends of Rufford will also be serving some tasty treats too!

Spring Parent's Evening



Monday 16th March: 3.30pm - 6pm

Wednesday 25th March: 3.30pm - 6pm
Appointment letters will be in bags on Monday.

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.

Spring Term at Rufford



Key Term Dates:

- **Monday 2nd March** - Year 6 residential to Winmarleigh Hall
- **Wednesday 4th March** - Year 5 Rowan Faith in the Forest and Oak Year 1
- **Thursday 5th March** - World Book Day
- **Friday 13th March** - Shining Stars for Little Squirrels, Oak and Ash class mums.
- **Monday 16th March** - Parents Evening 1 - 3.30pm - 6pm
- **Thursday 19th March** - School Council fitness games.
- **W/C 23rd March** - Holy Week in school.
- **Wednesday 25th March** - Parents Evening 2 - 3.30pm-6pm
- **Thursday 26th March** - Elm Class Easter performance Three Trees. for parents at **2.15pm**.
- **Friday 27th March** - 10.30am - 11.30am Holy Week for parents. Our hall will be open for quiet prayer and reflection.
- **Friday 27th 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



Church News

All -Age Worship



Families are warmly invited to Rufford All Age Service at Rufford St Marys church on Sunday 8th March at 9.15am. Rufford All Age is a short, relaxed service designed especially for families with simple worship, interactive activities and a Bible message shared in a creative way. After the service we share tea and coffee together and everyone is very welcome to stay. Whether it's your first visit or you come regularly, you'll be warmly welcomed, just come as you are.



Easter Holiday Club

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

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

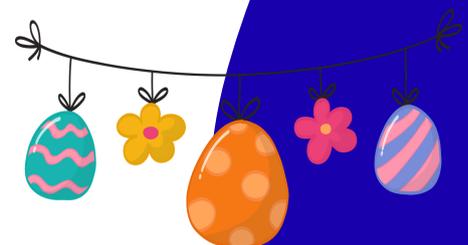
FREE
Contact:
youth@rsmtht.church
to book a place!

Booking
Essential
Limited number
of places.

Games
Crafts
Songs

A journey
from Palm
Sunday to
Easter and
beyond!

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Our Week in Pictures!



Transfiguration pictures using thread



Hanging around in the forest!



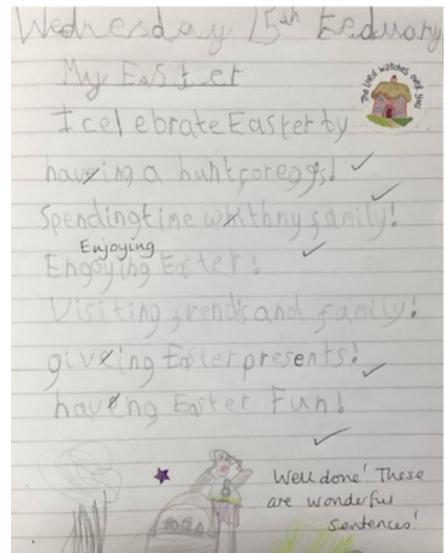
Jetting off into space!



What would we pack?



Outdoor adventures!



Preparing for Easter in Ash Class



Investigating the moon



Stories in the forest!