



NEWSLETTER

Rufford C.of E. Primary School

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



Date: Friday 20th March 2026

This week's Shining Stars

Little Squirrels: Dolly

Oak: Isla, Fiadh and Grace

Ash: Jack R, Effie and Dutch

Maple: Billy, Patrick and Katy H

Elm: Alexa, Cole and Alyssia

Rowan: Sophia, Jacob and Nate

WWJD

What Would Jesus Do?

Oak: Brody – for showing **perseverance** with his phonics and writing.

Ash: Fox – for understanding what the value of **courage** means. After reading our No outsiders book, Fox made super comments about being who you want to be and not who others may want you to be.

Maple: Theo – for showing the Christian value of **joy** especially in subjects like History and Geography!.

Elm: Riley – for remembering the word **compassionate** to describe the qualities of a trustworthy person.

Rowan: Oliver - showing the value of **friendship**. For always encouraging people and looking out for his friends.

This week's Sticky Knowledge

Little Squirrels: 'Frogs start as tadpoles and then become frogs!' **Forest**

Oak: If we ever fall into the water by accident, we make a star shape and shout and HELP! **Oak Class**

Ash: 'Leonard the lion doesn't have to be like the other lions if he doesn't want to be.' **Freyja**

Maple: Jesus broke the bread and said this is my body. He shared the wine and said this is my blood! He came to serve everyone! - **Billy**

Elm: A volcano happens when there is a weakness in the Earth's crust so the magma from underneath explodes out through the main vent – **Alyssia & Flora**

Rowan: Air resistance is a pushing-up force that slows objects down. **Orla**



Mindful March



Oak: Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today.

Ash: We threw ourselves into a creative activity, making our healthy salads.

Maple: Start each day by appreciating your body and being thankful you're alive!

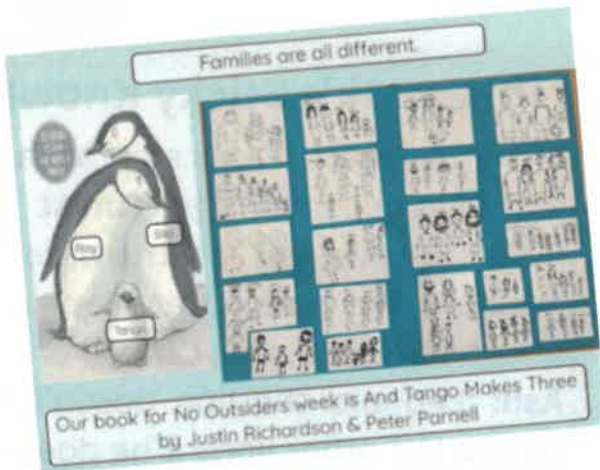
Elm: Look around and spot three things you find unusual or pleasant.

Rowan: Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else.

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

No Outsider's Week! Rainbow Hub Fundraiser

**NO
OUT
SIDERS**



This half term we have used our No Outsiders program and our Christian value of courage to explore difference. We learnt across the week that we can all have different opinions, different appearances, even different families. To be different is ok and we should accept the differences of others. Standing out from the crowd also requires courage. We explored how we could share our voice with others and how it might feel to accept our differences.



**RAINBOW
HUB**



Well done to our School Council for organising an amazing afternoon of games on Thursday for Rainbow Hub. Thank you to everyone who supported this great cause. We raised £98!

Count your Blessings!



Lent here at Rufford



This week we have focussed our blessing count on animals and birds. We have been counting how many birds we have seen in this week's gorgeous spring weather and researching the number of different species of animals in the world. Our community blessing tree is up and running too! Keep counting! 10,000 blessings is the target!



Picture News

What makes something fun?

Picture News is a resource that we share across school to promote discussion and increase understanding of the world around us and out place in it. This week's theme was **Pokemon!** We discussed what makes something fun.

Worship - Forgiveness

In worship this week, we learnt that God will forgive us, but he also expects us to forgive others. We read the story of the Unforgiving Servant and then Year 6 performed a small drama for us with a modern story. We used our Bibles to find favourite forgiveness quotes.

Attendance in School

Every day in school counts...



Children that have high attendance 96-100% are 30% more likely to achieve expected standard in English and Maths.

Parent Governor Election

Following the close of nominations on Monday, I am pleased to announce that Mr Callum Coogan was duly elected to the position of parent governor. On behalf of the Governing Body, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome him to the team.

Spring Parent's Evening



Wednesday 25th March:

3.30pm - 6pm

Lent and Holy Week for Parents



Friday 27th 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 13TH APRIL



This year our Easter Bunny Bounce will take place on the first day back after Easter - the 13th 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!

Spring Term at Rufford

Key Term Dates:



- **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
- **Monday 13th April** - School opens for Summer Term
- **Monday 13th April** - Easter Bunny Bounce - Friends of Rufford
- **Monday 13th April** - Archery morning club
- **Friday 17th April** - MP Patrick Hurley visiting school
- **Monday 20th April** - Rocksteady rock band launching in school



Church News

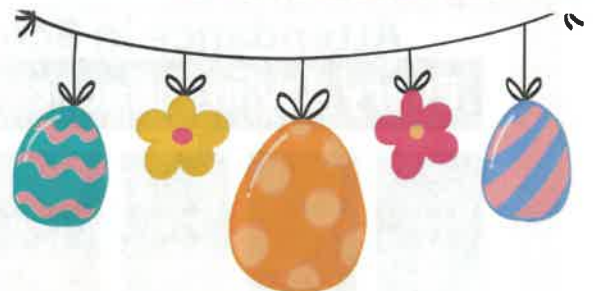


Easter Holiday Club

'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



Our Week in Pictures!



Water safety with Daddy Shark



Celebrating the courage to be ourselves



Happy St Patrick's Day!



DT project planning



Thinking hills



Signs of spring!



Celebrating diversity



Super salads!

