



# NEWSLETTER

## Rufford C.of E. Primary School

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

'Together in Faith and Learning'



**Date: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026**



### This week's Shining Stars!

Little Squirrels: Oscar



Oak: William, Charlotte M and Emily

Ash: Max, Josh and Effie

Maple: Ellisa, Laura and Luna



Elm: Jesse, Arabella and Sam

Rowan: Hannah, Alice and Sophia



### Our Week in our Words



#### This week we tried our new classes!

Little Squirrels: We loved making our teddy bear hats in our new class - Arlo

Oak: I enjoyed making a bookmark with my name on! – Charlotte W

Ash: I was a little nervous to go to Maple Class but I really enjoyed it. Jak

Maple: We made all about me footballs in Elm! I am looking forward to September now! Teddy

Elm: It was fun to meet the children in my new class - Livi

Rowan: Mr Peters is a fun teacher and we made spaghetti towers with marshmallows! Jack



## WWJD



### What Would Jesus Do?

**Oak: Henry** for showing the value of **love** and for being really kind and caring towards his younger cousin in Little Squirrels

**Ash: Max** – for **compassion** – looking after a Little Squirrel when they were upset.

**Maple: Lucas** for the value of **courage** when standing in front of an audience to read his poem aloud!

**Elm: Livi** – for **compassion** and **service** for helping her classmates

**Rowan: Edward** – for playing and supporting his buddy every playtime....**showing compassion.**



## Jump Back July!



**Oak: Get outside and move to help clear your head**

**Ash: We can't always do things by ourselves and that's ok! Asking for help shows strength not weakness.**

**Maple: Remember we all struggle at times – it's part of being human!**

**Elm: Get the basics right: eat well, exercise and go to bed on time**

**Rowan: Adopt a growth mindset. Change from I can't to I can't yet!**

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

## Football Fever!



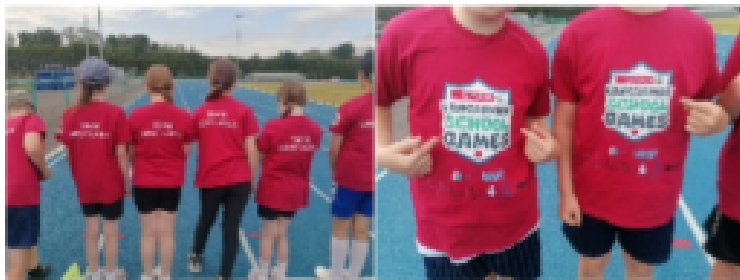
On Monday night, our girls' football team enjoyed their last session together with a party football night! The girls have trained hard and played well so enjoyed some well-deserved snacks and were presented with their playing medals. Thank you to Ms Ashcroft for all your hard work this year.

## Tardis Poetry Event



On Tuesday night, at Banks Hub, Jesse and Lucas represented school at the TARDIS Poetry Competition. They had worked with poet Sean Perkins to create pieces that rhymed. The theme was 'through the window.' The boys were amazing and performed their poems on stage to a large audience, along with children from our other TARDIS schools. We are very proud of you.

## Lancashire Spar Games



On Tuesday, we were invited to represent West Lancashire at the Spar Games at Uclan. The children had the chance to take part in lots of different activities from three-legged races to competing on bouncy hoppers! There were no winners, but the event was about enjoying sport and having fun. Mrs Fairclough reports that the group represented school brilliantly and had a fabulous day.

## Moving on Up!

On Wednesday afternoon, we welcomed our new reception class into school. We also tried out the afternoon in our new classes!

Classes for next year are as follows:

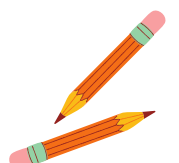
Oak - Reception and Little Squirrels

Ash - Year 1 and 2

Maple - Year 3 and 4

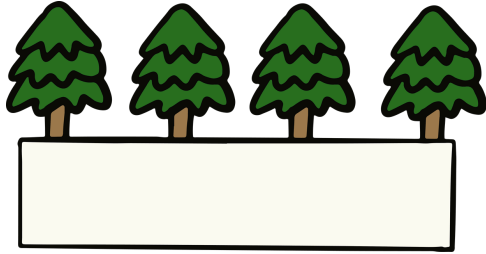
Elm - Year 4 and 5

Rowan - Year 6



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## Transition Forest School



Year 6 had a lovely afternoon with Hattie on Wednesday, using the outdoors to explore their feelings around moving on to high school. Hattie was very impressed by the mature conversation and their attitude to the changes coming. The group were really supportive of each other and offered some amazing words of wisdom.



## Worship this Week Remember that Beach Ball

Remember  
The Beachball



Our SUMOs were back this week to remind us about our beachball thinking. We discovered that to be respectful to others, we need to be able to see the whole picture. When we face a challenge in life, we need to stop, understand the issue from the point of view of others and then move on. We enjoyed the Bible story of Martha and Mary, as Jesus pointed out to Martha, she wasn't seeing the whole picture: focusing on cleaning, rather than listening to Jesus' teachings.



## Football Friendly and



## Mr Newsham hangs up his boots



After an amazing 14 years of service to school, Mr Newsham hung up his boots for the final time today with our team. Year 5 played their final friendly of the year against Bretherton and played brilliantly. They showed friendship, respect and a determination to win. Thank you Mr Newsham. A perfect send off for the best gaffer ever!

## This weeks.... Picture News



Should the weather influence our decisions?

This week, we learnt that scientists have been studying weather patterns in the Pacific Ocean and have been looking at what we can do to change the way we live to cope with evolving weather conditions .

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# Community News



## Summer Term at Rufford



### Key Term Dates



More dates added!

- **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July** - Little Squirrels' trip to Windmill Farm
- **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July** - Rufford World Cup Lunch
- **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July** - Reports out to parents
- **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July** - EYFS and KS1 Jungle Parc
- **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July** - Parent feedback on reports - appointment only
- **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July** - KS2 Jungle Parc
- **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July** - KS1 water safety
- **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July** - Rufford Proms at 10am.
- **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July** - Year 6 play and awards for Year 6 parents - 7pm
- **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July** - Year 6 Leaver's Service in church for Year 6 parents only. See separate letter. Year 6 parents only in church please.
- **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July** - school finishes at 2pm, no after school club

## Autumn Term 2026

- **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September** - Inset day
- **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September** - School opens. Doors open at 8.35. Register taken at 8.45am.

## SUMMER CHILL at Church!

Chill out with us this summer!

- Friday 3rd July
- Friday 10th July
- Friday 17th July

3PM - 4PM

Tarleton Holy Trinity Church



MUSIC



GAMES



COLOURING



ICE LOLLIES

**FREE**  
**EVERYONE**  
**WELCOME!**



Drop in after school for free ice lollies, games, colouring, music and a chance to relax with friends and neighbours.

**NO BOOKING REQUIRED - JUST TURN UP!**



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# Our Week in Pictures!



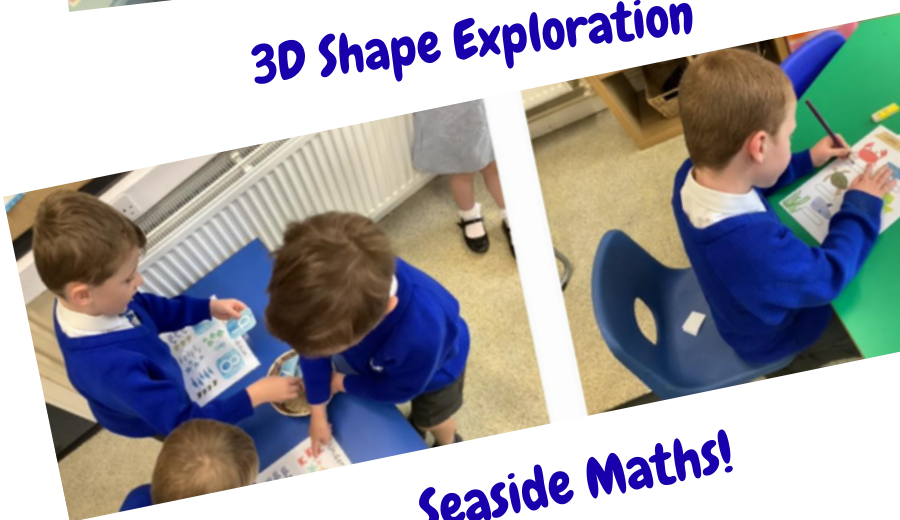
**Javelin Skills**



**3D Shape Exploration**



**Tricky word fishing**



**Seaside Maths!**



**Nursery Football Fever**



**Tower Building and frame making**