



NEWSLETTER

Rufford C.E. Primary School



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

Date: 12th September 2025

Together in Faith and Learning

This week's...

Shining Stars

Little Squirrels: Dolly

Oak: Livvy, Ava, Harry

Ash: Thomas, Effie, Dutch

Maple: Theo, Holly, Bea

Elm: Jamie, Bella and Sam

Rowan: Dylan, Orla, Jack



WWJD

What Would Jesus Do?



Oak: Fiadh – for showing the Christian value of love and friendship for helping a classmate during PE

Ash: Hallie – the Christian value of Joy for sharing with us a video of her wonderful model, that she made at home, showing that Jesus is the light of the world.

Maple: Tillie – Friendship – for being a caring friend to everyone especially the younger children in the class.

Elm: Jeffrey-John – for showing service when helping a classmate read tricky Maths word problems

Rowan: Evie – using the value of service, making sure everyone in class is happy and looking out for them!

Quotes from the week!

Little Squirrels and Oak: 'School lunches – they are yummy!' **Mikayla**

Ash: The children loved reading the book 'Kindness Grows' with Mrs Ewins then creating their own kindness tree!

Maple: I like being with the Year 4's. I've made a new friend this week! - **Holly**

Elm: It was fun drawing around our bodies to draw and label our digestive system – **Elektra**

Rowan: I have loved PE, playing hockey **Alice**

Meet the Teacher!



It was lovely to see you at our new Meet the Teacher nights. If you couldn't make it, all the PowerPoints will be available on the website.

And remember....

Wednesday 17th September 3.30pm Oak Class

Check SeeSaw for further information.

Phonics Workshop for Reception

Parents



Join Mrs Lowe on Wednesday 24th September in Oak Class to learn all about how we teach phonics, the cornerstone of reading and writing. We can also give you top tips to support at home!

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

Action for Happiness

Aim to be good enough, rather than perfect



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

It is self-care
September! All our
classes have been
trying a bit of self
care this week!

Oak: We have asked a trusted friend what our strengths are.

Ash: We chose to GET ACTIVE and did the Daily Mile!

Maple: Our friends have shared what they like about us.

Elm: Get active outside and give your mind and body a natural boost

Rowan: We have thought about the little things we do well and appreciated them.



Coming soon! The Squirrel Snack Shack!

Opening Monday 22nd September!

At break times children will have the chance to buy healthy snacks from our very own Snack Shack!

Bring 20p for fruit, 50p for other items and you can choose from a mixture of yummy goodies!

A typical selection could be fruit, veggie sticks, malt bread, popcorn and fruit bars.



WORLD'S BIGGEST
COFFEE
MORNING

Friday 26th September
8.45 - 9.30

Join us in the hall after school drop off for a brew, croissant, cake and a natter as we celebrate our first Macmillan Coffee Morning! Donations of cakes/breakfast goodies are welcome!

Parentkind Webinars

Friend of Rufford subscribe to Parentkind
For the first time, they are offering webinars for parents on a variety of different topics.

To join you will need to register for the webinars in advance and you will need to choose school from the drop down using the postcode L40 1SN and answer a few questions to register.

This is the link to the Web page which also lists the webinars;

<https://www.parentkind.org.uk/your-pta-expert/parent-webinars>



Navigating parenthood WEBINARS

Hundreds of parents have found guidance, advice and support in our free expert-led webinars. With thirteen new sessions covering the topics that parents want to learn about, including health and wellbeing, academic achievement and supporting children with SEND, there's never been a better time to sign up
Our new season of webinars is waiting for you... We can't wait to see you there!

An introduction to Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA) Kelly Evans, The PDA Society 10/09/25 7.00 - 8.30pm	Supporting an anxious child Jennifer Wyman, Bridge the Gap Child Mental Health C.I.C 08/10/25 7.30 - 8.30pm	Helping your child achieve in primary school maths Lisa McLeod, former primary school teacher and mentor 06/11/25 12.30 - 1.30pm
Helping your child achieve in school Liz Keable 17/09/25 7.30 - 8.30pm	A nutritionist's guide to dealing with fussy eating Jenny Tschiesche 10/10/25 12.30 - 1.30pm	Setting boundaries: more than just behaviour management Jennifer Wyman, Bridge the Gap Child Mental Health C.I.C 12/11/25 7.30 - 8.30pm
How to choose a secondary school for your child Michael Whitworth and Miranda Perry, Abrial 23/09/25 7.30 - 8.30pm	Helping your child become an independent learner Liz Keable 15/10/25 7.30 - 8.30pm	Managing your child's smartphone life Matthew Carlton, Shine Workplace Wellbeing 18/11/25 7.30 - 8.30pm
Autism and transitions into secondary school Cynthia Gouveia Carla, Beyond Autism 30/09/25 7.30 - 8.30pm	Socialising in reception: Finding friends, falling out and everything in between Lisa McLeod, former primary school teacher and mentor 16/10/25 12.30 - 1.30pm	
Emotionally Based School Avoidance: Supporting autistic pupils and their families Cynthia Gouveia Carla, Beyond Autism 03/10/25 12.00 - 1.30pm	Neurodiversity in children matters: Managing behaviour for SEN children Gwendolyn Jones, Educating Matters 20/10/25 7.30 - 8.30pm	

“Very clear & thorough, loved the real-life examples. It really connected with our experiences and gives us confidence that we're not 'imagining' it and should push for support.”

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parentkind.org/parent-webinars

Key Term Dates:

More dates will be added as the weeks go on.

- **15th September** - Friends of Rufford meeting in the Hesketh at 7pm.
- **17th September** - Meet the Teacher Oak Class
- **18th September** - Yr2 and Yr 6 Fire safety talk
- **19th September** - Rowan Class swimming begins
- **w/c 22nd -Snack Shack Opens!**
- **Tuesday 23rd - 25th September** Year 5 Bikeability
- **24th September** phonics workshop for Reception at 3.30pm
- **26th September** - Macmillan Coffee Morning
- **9th October** - KS2 trip to Chester.
- **12th October** - Harvest Festival
- **16th October** - vision screening check Reception
- **31st October** - deadline for Year 6 applications to secondary school. Mrs Newsham gave information at Meet the Teacher.
- **5th November** - Flu Immunisations



We focused on compassion meaning kindness and how that comes through into our relationships. The symbol of compassion is a hand and a heart, showing us how we can be kind through our actions. We made a brand new hall display about being bucket fillers, sharing ideas about being kind to everyone we meet.

PETS SERVICE

Rufford: Sunday, September 14th at 9.15am

What ever your age, please bring an animal to church with you, and Fr. Mark & Fr. Joe will bless it as part of the service.

**This SATURDAY - 13TH September - in the Church Hall
grounds 10.30- 3pm**

POP UP TOY STALL

**New and second hand toys FOR SALE at bargain prices -
Christmas is just around the corner so get in early!**

**We'd love to see you and while you're getting a bargain
why not have a cuppa and a piece of cake @ our POP UP
CAFE!**

**Also, in the church there are activities for young people
(I'm sure oldies can join in!)**

Also happening Saturday



Diamond Disciples

For children
aged 7 - 11
(Y3 - Y6)

Opportunities to get
involved with wider
worship in church.

Groups meets every
Tuesday during term time
3.30pm - 5pm
Tarleton Holy Trinity
Church

**Scripture,
Games
& Fun!**

Our week in pictures!



And finally...

A huge congratulations to Mrs Coogan and family on the birth of her new... **baby girl!** She is beautiful and we all can't wait to give her a huge cuddle.

