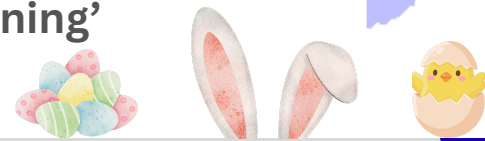




NEWSLETTER

Rufford C.of E. Primary School

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



Date: Friday 27th March 2026

Star of the Half Term ✨

Little Squirrels: Ari -for making FANTASTIC progress in his maths and phonics.

Oak: Beatrix: for fantastic work and trying hard in phonics and writing this half term.

Ash: James – superb progress across a range of subjects.

Maple: Tillie – for always trying her best in every subject, particularly in her maths.

Elm: George – for being a respectful, calm member of the class who works hard and gives his best to everything

Rowan: Alice: for wonderful enthusiasm and interest in every session and for reaching such an excellent standard in all curriculum areas.

WWJD



What Would Jesus Do?

Oak: Emily for compassion – for drawing a lovely picture about her family during Holy Week, and telling Ms Bell about how much she loves them.

Ash: Thomas W – joy. Thomas has been fully engaged with our Easter Trail activities.

Maple: Wilfred – for showing the value of service and being super helpful around the classroom.

Elm: Elm Class – for showing so many of our values in the way they have rehearsed and performed their Easter Worship

Rowan: Charlie: Compassion. For his care and willingness to help his buddy when he is upset: giving up his own playtime to support him!

Our Holy Week Reflections



Little Squirrels: 'The bread was yummy – it's the body of Jesus' Mikayla

Oak: Bea C: We ate bread and drank pretend wine like at the Last Supper.

Ash: 'Jesus might have felt sad when he was wrongly taken to the cross.' Connie

Maple: I liked doing the freeze frame, showing Jesus getting arrested and Peter denying knowing Jesus. Albie

Elm: So we're learning from this story that sometimes we have to fall, but there's a place of hope and glory and a purpose in it all – Three Little Trees

Rowan: We enjoyed acting out the Last Supper scene and studying the unusual paintings by Nebiyu Assefa. Olly and Evie



Mindful March



Oak: Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face.

Ash: We have appreciated our hands and all that they can do!

Maple: Notice three things you find beautiful in the outside world.

Elm: Appreciate nature around wherever you are

Rowan: Notice something unusual or pleasant.

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

Count **your** Blessings!

Lent here at Rufford



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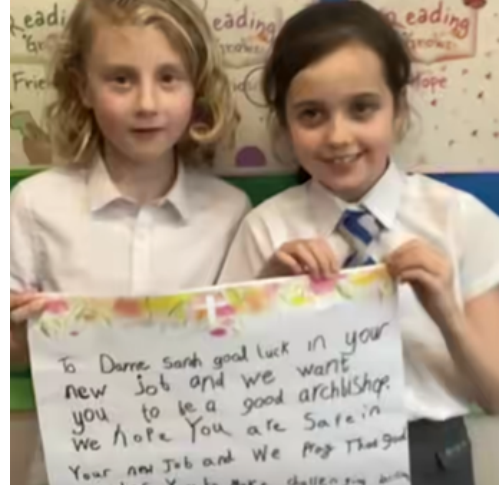
Throughout Lent, rather than giving something up we have been busy counting.... counting every blessing that God has given us. We had a target of 10,000 in total and involved all of our Rufford community with our blessing arch. We even had some special visitors to join in the count!



Our final total of blessings counted as a Rufford community was: 270,819 !!!

An amazing number and a fantastic way to end the term. Thanks be to God!

Maple Class are Facebook sensations!



Well done to Ben, Holly and all of our Maple Class for your special welcome message you sent to the new Archbishop of Canterbury, Dame Sarah Mullally. Maple's messages, along with others from our Christian family around the country, were used in the official Church of England welcome message.

Elm Class Three Trees



Elm Class wowed us all this week, with their amazing Easter performance of The Three Trees. The show had it all: drama, laughter and some tears too! Some of our fantastic children performed a solo too! Well done Elm, we are very proud of you!

Good Luck and Welcome to School



As Mrs Turner leaves us this week to start her maternity leave, we welcome to school Mrs McKenna, who will be working with Oak Class and Year I. She has extensive EYFS and KSI experience and we look forward to welcoming her into our Rufford family.



What makes someone a champion?

This week in Picture News, the children have discussed the Winter Paralympic Games. We decided that resilience and grit make a champion.



PRE-LOVED UNIFORM AT RUFFORD

Please contact Abi on 07739 566821 to buy second hand uniform for school. Prices from 25p- £1.50. All money raised goes to school.



Worship Christian Value of Forgiveness



Worship this week saw us look at the parable of the Lost Son. We learnt that this story shows us how to forgive and tells us what God is like. We discovered that if we hold on to bad feeling, this stops us from extending our hand of friendship.

Attendance in School



With a cough or cold, we always feel worse when we first wake up. Children recover quickly and can be easily distracted from feeling poorly with their friends around them.

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!

Summer Term at Rufford



Key Term Dates:



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!

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EASTER EXPLORERS**
MONDAY 30TH MARCH - THURSDAY 2ND 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!

Palm Sunday

THIS SUNDAY!



***9.15 service at Rufford
with a donkey! Come
for 9am to spend time
with the donkey.***



- **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
- **Thursday 23rd April** - TARDIS Performing Arts Festival at Banks Hub
- **Wednesday 6th May** - Faith in the Forest for Little Squirrels.
- **Monday 11th May** - Year 6 SATS Week
- **Friday 15th May** - 9am - Year 6 Hoodie presentation
- **Monday 18th May** - No Outsiders Week
- **Monday 18th May** - Year 6 height and weight.
- **Friday 22nd May** - Star of the Half Term 9am
- **Friday 22nd May** - Pentecost Party in school for children.

FRIDAY 22ND MAY - school closes for half term.

Our Week in Pictures!



Making puppets to retell the denial of Jesus



The Last Supper

Garden of Gethsemane

The Last Supper



Reflections of Easter



Drama to reflect the Easter story



The Three Trees performance