



NORTH RIGTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
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BULLETIN

Friday 12th December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

We had the pleasure of travelling to Bethlehem with Apples and Pears on Wednesday, as they performed their Nativity shows at St Johns Church. It was a joyous occasion with even the grumpy inn-spectors being won over by the birth of the baby Jesus in the end! We all thoroughly enjoyed the acting, the singing and the memories made. Well done to all the children involved and thank you to the adults who worked very hard to ensure that everything and everyone was ready for these Christmas performances. Thanks also goes out to the FONR team who put on a brilliant spread of mulled wine and mince pies for parents to enjoy as they waited for each of the shows to begin. It really did put everyone in the festive spirit and helped to make over £200 for our school and the Church.

As per our communication during the week, a reminder not to park on the zig zag lines in front of school, it is important we keep everyone in our school community safe.

We are very much looking forward to Christmas parties, Christmas jumpers, Christmas Experiences and Carols Around the Tree next week! Please check this Bulletin or the website if you are unsure of any dates or times.

I would like to pass on my heartfelt congratulations to Mrs Gardiner on her appointment as Fellowship Headteacher to commence Easter 2026. I hope you are all as delighted as I am. I look forward to continuing to work closely with Mrs Gardiner next term, as we prepare for a smooth transition, *Mrs Andrews*.

Well done to all the children involved in the Music Recital on Monday. Your audience of classmates and parents thoroughly enjoyed your performances, which is the culmination of many hours of teaching and practice.

As this is the last Bulletin of this year, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Mrs Andrews and Mrs Gardiner



YELLOW RIBBONS

Apples:

Louis - Compassion

Busy Bees:

Ronnie - Independence

Alaeya - Positivity

Pears:

Max - Resilience

Emily - Confidence

Tigers:

Ruby - Perseverance

Henry - Perseverance



WHITE RIBBONS

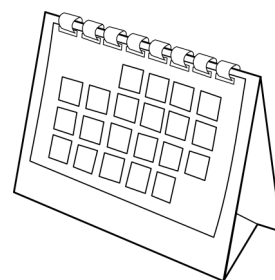
Noah (Y2) has shown true dedication to his learning, meaning he is flourishing in all subjects, he learnt all his lines for the nativity and showed great confidence in taking on a new role and singing a solo song without rehearsing. - Well done Noah.

Autumn Term Diary Dates (more information to follow in due course)

- 16.12.25** KS2 Carols Around the Tree Concert: 9.15am—Parents are warmly invited to join us in the school hall
- 17.12.25** New Starters Stay and Play: 9.30am—10.30am (for any children due to start school in Sep 2026) - please do spread the word!
Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Christmas Parties for all classes
Christmas Experience: Movie Marathon and Bake-Off competition organised by our Y6 Charity and Wellbeing Advocates. Recommended donations £4 per child. Please see the flyer below
- 18.12.25** Busy Bees Final Flourish: 2.30pm in the school hall. Parents invited to join their child/ren and Mrs Butler for a Pilates/Zumba session as well as hearing about their learning this term
- 19.12.25** **Break up for Christmas**

Spring Term Diary Dates (more information to follow in due course)

- 05.01.26** **School reopen to all children**
- 13.01.26** Coffee and Connect afternoon for parents across the Fellowship: 3.00pm in the school hall. Focus on supporting your child with special educational needs (SEND) - in particular, looking at childhood anxiety
- 16.01.26** Swimming lessons for Busy Bees begin
- 29.01.26** KS1 and KS2 Children's First Aid Course run by Sporting Influence
- 30.01.25** Mad Hair Day: £1 to come in school uniform with crazy hair! Led by School Council
- 09.02.26** FONR Valentine's Movie Night: 3.30pm—5.00pm
- 13.02.26** **Break up for half term**
- 23.02.26** **School reopen to all children**
- 26.03.26** FONR Easter Event
- 27.03.26** **Break up for Easter**



Reader of the Week and Golden Writer Awards

Congratulations to Oscar (Y4) & Ike (Y5) who have been awarded our Golden Writer Award. Oscar has been making outstanding progress and showing independence. Ike for confidently producing a well written non-chronological report on a natural disaster.

**Reader
of the
Week**

A huge well done to Arthur M (Y4) who has been chosen as Reader of the Week for showing positivity with his reading and flourishing in his assessments.

These children will enjoy a visit to Mrs Gardiner's stationery shop to choose their prizes. Well done!



Parent Governor Vacancy Reminder

We hope you have had an opportunity to consider the information that was recently sent out regarding the role of Parent Governor. The application process closes on Monday and to date we have had no responses and no expressions of interest. If this is something that you are considering, we would be very grateful if you could give it some more thought or get in touch to talk it through with Mrs Andrews or an existing Governor. The Parent Governor role is an important one in the life of the school and it would be very disappointing if there were no representation from the parent body on the Governing Body.



Community Advent Calendar - Compiling donations for the Otley

Food Bank

During the lead up to Christmas and over part of the advent period, we would like to support the Otley Food Bank by asking for small donations of non-perishable items.

All items will be collected by our Co-opted governor, Fiona Parish, and donated to those who need it as part of the services that Otley Food Bank provide where she volunteers.

Here are suggested items to donate over the month of December whilst we are at school. The donation box will be outside on the playground each morning.

Many thanks for your generosity and support.

Mrs Gardiner

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<i>Over the special days of Christmas, our community donated ... 🎵</i>				
1 st Jam or spreads	2 nd Tinned sauces (pasta, curry, chilli)	3 rd Dried pasta	4 th Coffee jars	5 th Long life juice
8 th Tinned soup	9 th Dried spaghetti	10 th Tinned meat	11 th UHT milk (not fresh)	12 th Tinned fruit
15 th Tinned fish	16 th Dried rice	17 th Baked beans	18 th Tinned vegetables	19 th Christmas treats!

Spring Term Clubs

	Before School (8.15—8.50)	Lunchtime	After School (3.30—4.30)
MONDAY		Lego Therapy with Mrs London	Game-based Sports for Y4—Y6 with Mr Richards-Smith
TUESDAY	SATs Club for Y6 with Miss Lewis		Spaghetti Maths Club for Y1—Y4 Sporting Influence Competitions
WEDNESDAY	SATs Club for Y6 with Mrs Gardiner	Eco Group with Miss K Ellis (Spring 1) Gardening Group with Miss K Ellis (Spring 2) Music/Singing Club with Mrs Mills	
THURSDAY			
FRIDAY			



The North Rigton Y6 Advocates Present...

Our Magical Christmas Experience

Taking place on the afternoon of Wednesday
17th December

Recommended ticket prices are £4 per child.
The event includes:

- 4 Festive Films to choose from, festive snack and hot chocolate per child.

We are also encouraging all children to enter our Great North Rigton Bake Off! Cakes and buns decorated with a festive theme will be in with the chance of winning a prize. Entry is free and cakes will be sold via a bake sale on the day.

Please send cash on the day! All proceeds go to FONR

FARNLEY ESTATE YOUNG FARMERS CLUB
Registered Charity Number 1022671

Sunday 11th January 2026
9:30am onwards



Minimum Donation £10
VIA BACS details will be sent on booking

CHARITY CHRISTMAS TREE & WREATH COLLECTION

Collecting from Huby, Weeton, North Rigton, Beckwithshaw, Leathley, Castley, Arthington, Harewood, Pool - in - Wharfedale, Otley, Bramhope and surrounding areas.

To Book your tree in send your Name Address to

Christine on 07443 472245

All monies raised will be split between the club and Candlelighters

Candlelighters
Supporting the families of children with cancer

NORTH RIGTON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



New Starter Visits

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION:
WWW.ASNRFELLOWSHIP.YCST.CO.UK

WRAP AROUND CHILDCARE FROM 7.15AM - 6.00PM ON SITE EVERY DAY

A SCHOOL WHERE ALL CAN GROW, BLOSSOM AND FLOURISH

OUR RURAL, VILLAGE SCHOOL IS JUST 5 MILES OUTSIDE HARROGATE

To book a personalised tour with one of our school leaders, please call or email the school office:

ADMIN@NORTHRIGTON.YCWAY.UK
01423 734540



North Rigton Primary School

Stay & Play Sessions

Do you have a child due to start school in September 2026? If so, please join us on the following dates:

Tuesday 21st October: 2.00pm-3.00pm
Wednesday 17th December: 9.30am-10.30am



Please call or email to book a space
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