



North Rigton Bulletin: Friday 16th
October 2026

A message from your Headteachers



Dear Parents and Carers,

What an absolute delight it was to see the school hall jam-packed on Monday morning for our Harvest Festival. It was a fantastic opportunity to see the children giving thanks to God and the farmers in many different ways. The prayers, poems, artwork and songs were brilliant and all staff were incredibly proud of the children and the confidence they showed. Thank you to everyone who was able to join us and everyone who also made a donation to the Harrogate District Food Bank. If you have not yet made a donation and would like to, please click on the link: [Harrogate District Foodbank - JustGiving](#). Thank you also to Revd. Stroma for joining us and leading a heartfelt blessing to close the service.

After half term, both Fellowship Schools will be introducing a new Home Learning Partnership for all children. This has been carefully considered through key research, liaison with other Trust schools and our Governing Body, taking on board parental feedback and it encompasses our aims and aspirations for all children to grow, blossom and flourish. Further information about the new Home Learning Partnership, starting after half term, will be sent through via email next week. Thank you for your support.

Although the half term is nearly over, we still have lots of things still to come including our Parent/Grandparent session (further information below) and our Meet the Teacher sessions for parents. Please do ensure you sign up for a slot on Arbor if you have not yet done so.

A reminder that school is closed on Friday next week (23rd) as this is a school Inset Day. With this in mind, there will be no Bulletin next week, so we wish you a healthy, happy and restful half term break.

With best wishes,

Mrs Gardiner and Mrs Honey

Diary Dates



Autumn Term Diary Dates (more information to follow):

19.10.26: Parent/Grandparent Morning (9.15am - 10.15am)

20.10.26: Meet the Teacher Consultations

21.10.26: Meet the Teacher Consultations

22.10.26: Break up for half term (3.30pm)

23.10.26: Teacher Training Day - School closed to all pupils

02.11.26: School reopens for Autumn 2

03.11.26: Busy Bees Class and Jupiter Class, Egyptian themed Fellowship Trip: Leeds Museum

03.11.26: Apples Class Soup Soiree (2.30pm - parents invited to join their child in this autumn celebration)

04.11.26: Eco Group Trip: Harlow Carr

05.11.26: Outdoor Classroom Day

05.11.26: FONR Toffee Apple Sale after school

06.11.26: PJ Day (please come to school wearing your PJs and please bring a donation of a new pair of PJs with you to go towards the Leeds Pyjama Appeal)

10.11.26: KS1 Phonics Stay and Play (9.00am - 9.45am)

16.11.26: Year 6 SATs Information Presentation (3.30pm in Tigers Classroom)

17.11.26: Wear it Purple for World Prematurity Day

24.11.26: Flu Immunisations

25.11.26: Pears Class Trip: RHS Harlow Carr

27.11.26: Individual Photographs

03.12.26: New Starters Stay and Play - Christmas Special (9.00am- 10.00am)

03.12.26: Christmas Mini Market (3.00pm in each of the classrooms - school enterprise stalls run by the children, all parents/carers welcome. Please do stock up for Christmas gifts! All money raised will go into class funds for the children. Cash only, please).

07.12.26: KS2 Carols Around the Tree Recital (9.15am in the school hall)

08.12.26: Apples and Pears Nativity (2.00pm and 5.00pm at St John's Church)

09.12.26: Fellowship Trip: Harrogate Theatre's Pantomime

09.12.26: Theatre Club Final Performance: North Rigton School Hall, 4.00pm start

14.12.26: Busy Bees Christmas Party

15.12.26: Christmas Lunch

15.12.26: Pears Christmas Party

16.12.26: Apples Christmas Party

17.12.26: Tigers Christmas Party

18.12.26: Break up for Christmas (2.00pm)

We are looking forward to welcoming parents, carers and grandparents to lots of wonderful events this term. If you require any accessibility assistance, please do not hesitate to get in touch. We look forward to welcoming you!

Reasons to Celebrate



Yellow Ribbons:

Apples - Charlie - Independence

Pears - Ruby - Positivity, Reuben - Independence

Busy Bees - Cassia - Independence, Hettie - Positivity

Tigers - As Tigers were on a trip today, Yellow Ribbons will be carried over for Y5/6 - watch this space!

Writer of the Week: Toby (Y4) - For working independently to write his own sentences in his water droplet story.

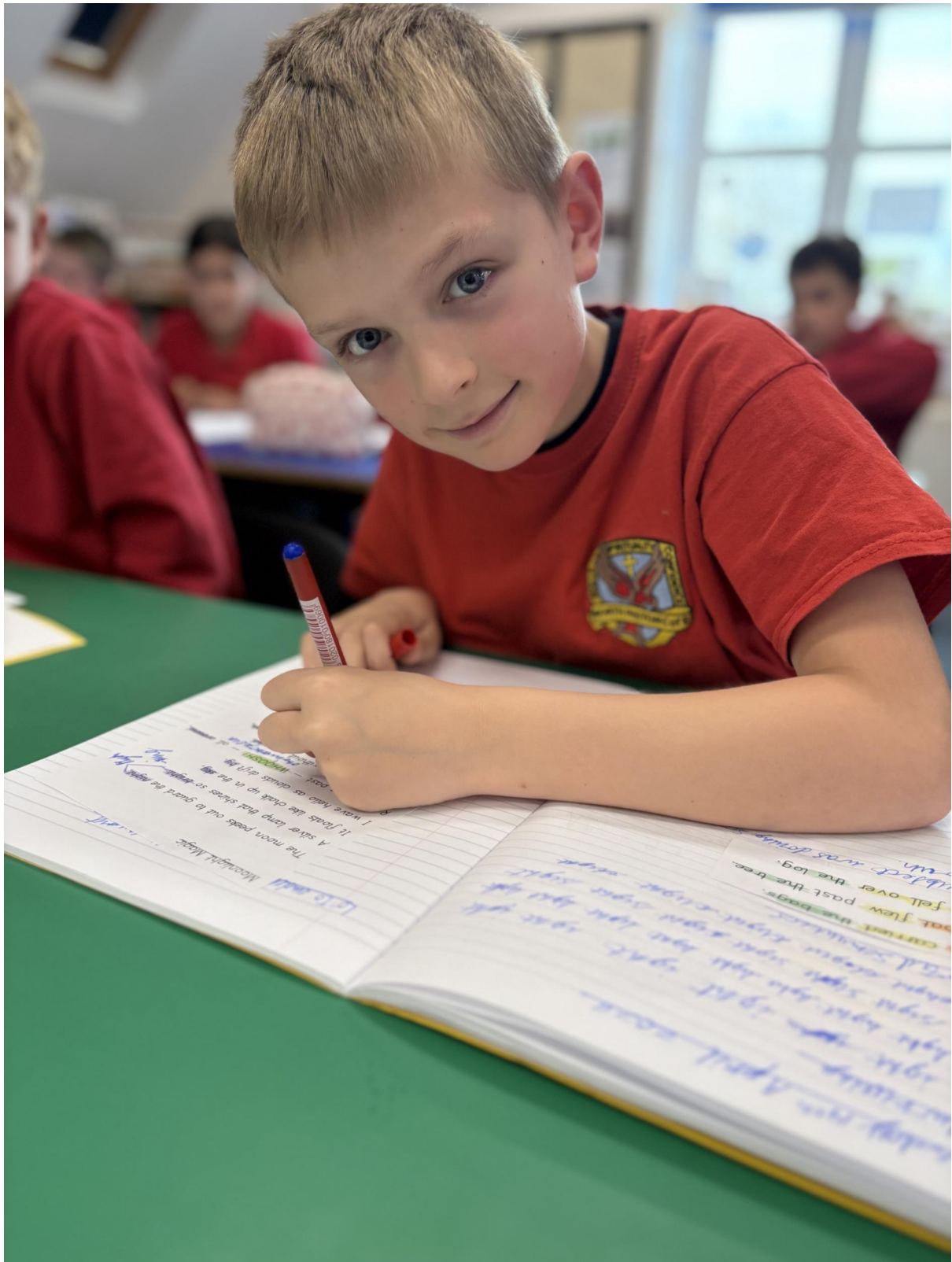
Reader of the Week: Joey (Y6) - For decoding brilliantly and showing such positivity when reading.

Flourishing at Forest School Certificate: Isaac (Y1)

I had the pleasure of observing the Forest School session this week and was blown away by the imagination, creativity and koinonia shown by all children. During these sessions, all children are showing purposeful play, connection with nature and teamwork. I am delighted that we are able to run these sessions and can't wait to see the rest of the children in school engage in this aspect of outdoor education during the rest of the academic year - Mrs Gardiner

There were also lots of positive noticing tags given out in our Celebration Worship today. These are hanging on our 'We have Noticed' wall and will go home with children at the end of term.

Other News





NORTH RIGTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Stay & Play Sessions

Do you have a child due to start school in September 2027? If so, please join us on the following dates:

Monday 12th October: 10.30am - 11.30am
Thursday 3rd December: 9.00am - 10.00am



Please call or email to book a space

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admin@northrigton.ycway.uk

NORTH RIGTON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



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CHILDCARE FROM
7.15AM - 6.00PM ON
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IS JUST 5 MILES OUTSIDE
HARROGATE

To book a personalised tour with Mrs Gardiner, our Fellowship
Headteacher, please call or email the school office:

ADMIN@NORTHRIGHTON.YCWAY.UK
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NORTH RIGTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Pre-School Forest School

Outdoor learning, nature,
play and discovery!

We are delighted to offer **free**
Forest School sessions on our
school grounds for pre-school
aged children (2.5 – 5 years),
accompanied by their parents.



Monday
16th November
9.15 – 10.15am



Free session
for pre-school
aged children
(2.5 – 5 years)



Parents to
accompany
their children



Children need to
come with overalls,
wellies and gloves

Get in touch with the office to book a space
and let us know of any dietary requirements
or access needs.

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opera north

Music Makers

A weekly musicianship and singing programme for children aged 7–9, designed to inspire a lifelong love of music while developing the skills needed to become confident young musicians.

Weekly sessions include songs and rhymes, musical games, aural training, notation reading and creative activities, giving children the opportunity to develop their musical literacy skills in an enjoyable and encouraging setting. Music Makers is the perfect starting point for children who enjoy singing and are interested in progressing to the Opera North Children's Chorus.

When:
Wednesdays, 4.00pm–5.00pm During school term time, starting 4th November 2026

Venue:
Howard Opera Centre, Leeds

How to join:
There are no auditions for Music Makers

Register an interest



Partners: Arts Council England, University of Leeds, Leeds Education Trust, Leeds City Council, Leeds City of Music

Parent/Grandparent Morning

We are really looking forward to welcoming parents/grandparents into school on Monday 19th October at 9.15am. We ask that relatives please arrive through the hall door.

Our wonderful Year 6 pupils will help to show each of our relatives to the classrooms involving your children/grandchildren.

Half way through the session, a bell will be rung. This will allow relatives to move rooms to see siblings in other classes.

Where possible, we ask for only one parent/grandparent per pupil to ensure we have enough room to accommodate all our visitors safely.

We cannot wait to welcome you!

KS2 Fellowship Choir

Mrs Gardiner is going to be running a KS2 Fellowship Choir Club each week (during lunchtime) and is looking for participants! Both Fellowship schools will be learning the same songs separately, with the opportunity to perform together, as a Fellowship Choir, in things

such as Church events, fundraisers, worships and school celebrations. If your child would like to participate, please sign up using the form below:

[KS2 Fellowship Choir Sign Up – Fill in form](#)



Sporting Success

It has been another successful week for our sports stars as Y1/2 and the KS2 girls were in action across the Fellowship on Monday. Thank you to Genevieve for another brilliant match report:

Match 1: Year 1/2 ASKO Teams (Blue vs Orange)

Starting the match with a goal kick, both teams hover over the right side of the pitch. Wilf in orange shoots and scores! Great tackles throughout by both All Saints teams. The result was 1-0 to Orange Team.

Match 2: Year 1/2 North Rigton vs Blues

Sylvester makes an epic first run, he's in the clear, takes the shot - but hits wide of the goal. Number 2 for North Rigton runs, aims, shoots and scores - straight into the goal! Not long after Number 2 is at it again with another impressive goal. Final score, 2-0 to North Rigton.

Match 3: Year 1/2 North Rigton vs Orange

Teddy makes an impressive start but is blocked early on. Unfortunately, his attempts do not work out this time. Suddenly, out of nowhere, a goal kick for North Rigton and it hits ASKO's feet. Wilf gets the ball, takes a shot and makes a devastating own goal in the ASKO net! The match ends 1-1.

Match 4: KS2 girls North Rigton vs All Saints

The match gets off to a promising start for ASKO who are leading the attack. Lots of great footwork before the first goal goes in for ASKO! Fantastic demonstration of teamwork and koinonia shown as there were two willing subs from ASKO to make up numbers for the North Rigton side. A few minutes later, the North Rigton girls come alive and they are

passing really well. 4 goals shoot in within only a short space of time meaning the end result was 1-4 to North Rigton.

Well done to all our sporting stars!



Sponsor a Tree at School

As families will be aware, this year we have established our own Forest School area and bespoke curriculum. We are thrilled to announce that the school now owns the field adjacent to the building, enabling us to futureproof our school for years to come, and giving us many opportunities with this fabulous outdoor space.

One of the things we are focussing on is developing the Forest School area by planting additional trees.

We are offering North Rigton families the chance to be part of this journey by sponsoring a tree. For a £25 minimum donation, you can sponsor a tree and with that will have your child's name or family name displayed on a sponsorship plaque in the field. If you are a parent of an ex-pupil, or indeed a pre-schooler, they may be included too.

If you would like to be part of the tree sponsorship initiative this year, please:

- Log in to Arbor under the 'Clubs' section

- Add in your donation amount (minimum £25, but you can alter this for a greater value if you wish)
- Once your donation has been made, please contact the school office with the name/s you wish to have on a plaque (please note there will be a maximum of three names per plaque).

Thank you for your support.

