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Rockingham Junior and Infant School Newsletter

Friday 25th September 2026

Macmillan Coffee Morning

We know that the cost of living is going up constantly but we also know that we can always rely on the Rockingham community to support our fundraising endeavours for such valuable causes. A huge thank you to all the families who were able to attend our Macmillan coffee morning today. We have raised £330 for a cause that is close to our hearts.



Victorian Life in Y3 and Y3/4

Last week, our Y3 and 4's enjoyed a fantastic visit to Cannon Hall, where they discovered what life was like during Victorian times. They took part in a range of hands-on activities, including preparing food in the kitchen, making lavender bags, churning butter and washing clothes the traditional Victorian way. The children also explored Cannon Hall Museum, where they learnt about the wealthy Spencer family who once lived in the house during the Victorian era.

It was a wonderful opportunity to step back in time, bring their history learning to life and experience some of the everyday tasks that would have been part of Victorian life!



Democratic School Elections

School Council Elections, democracy at its best. A huge thank you to our ward Councillors, Nicola and Mike for teaching our children about elections. Our school council elections were a huge success and congratulations to our winners. Proud of all of our candidates



Rotherham Day

Our children celebrated Rotherham day by joining in with our local community and local schools at Rotherham Minster. A concert to promote our sculpture project with Jason Turpin-Thomson. Visitors to the Minster will find a QR code at the exhibition to donate toward a special memorial sculpture in Kimberworth for Mr. Steve Rhodes. Mr. Rhodes made a profound and lasting impact on Winterhill School, our local education, and the wider community. The sculpture will celebrate his legacy of togetherness and civic pride, a true collaborative effort supported by schools across the Wingfield and Winterhill trust to champion arts education. We hope that over the next few weeks you will have the opportunity to visit the Minster, enjoy the children's fantastic work and support this meaningful community project.



KS2 Golf

What a fabulous morning developing our children's skills in Golf, a great tournament giving our children the opportunity to build knowledge, demonstrate sportsmanship, encouragement and teamwork. We spent our morning with other children from a range of schools and supported each other along the way. Well done to everyone involved.



Nursery - P4C What is Peace?

Last week, in nursery, we explored the story 'Five Minutes Peace'. We have talked about what the word peace means and how we can feel calm and peaceful. We went into the forest school to read the book and enjoyed our own five minutes of peace, listening carefully to the sounds around us. The children were encouraged to talk about how they find peace.



Y3/4 Football Festival

Some of our children across year 3 and 4 took part in a football festival as part of our trust last week. They had a great afternoon and represented school fantastically. Well done to all the children who participated in our first Willow Tree event of the year. The top scorer in the competition was Nellie. Well done



Rockingham Turns 60

We have been celebrating everything that makes our school special, we have been completing challenges involving the number 60, our children have chosen some activities from the list found on our school website to do with their friends, class and around school for example: 60 star jumps, get 60 children in a photograph, draw what you think school will look like in another 60 years, find out who the first headteacher was etc....

<https://rockinghamji.co.uk/news/rockingham-turns-60/>

We finished the day by shouting "Happy 60th Birthday!" together!



The next few weeks:

W/c 28.9.26

- Northumberland Residential week
- Y1 Eye Screening Mn 28th Sept
- Remaining Y5/6 and Y6 Whitby Visit - Wed 30th Sept
- Y3/4 Football - Thurs 1st Oct

W/c 5.10.26

- Y3/4 Football - Thurs 1st Oct
- Joss Arnott Dance workshop Y3/4 and Y4/5 Fri 9th Oct

Reminder: our next whole school event is our Harvest festival at St Mary's on Wednesday 14th Oct at approx 10am.

Holiday Dates	
Inset Days Tuesday 1st September Friday 12th February - School Closed Friday 30th April - School Closed Friday 28th May - School Closed Monday 7th June - School Closed	Bank Holidays Friday 1st January Friday 25th April and Monday 29th April Monday 3rd May Bank Holiday Monday 31st May Bank Holiday
Holiday requests will not be authorised during term time so please plan any holidays during the time stated above	



Important Reminder: Due to recent issues, please ensure respectful language, calm behaviour, and mindful parking is used around our school community at all times. Thank you for helping us set a safe, positive, and polite example for our children!

Our Cube of Excellence Winners are ...

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Congratulations this week go to:

REY: Saint	3M: Ethan
Nursery: Layla	3/4P: Amber
Reception: Ethan	Y4/5WH: Charlie
1H: Cruz	Y5/6T: Annabelle
1/2C: Charlie-John	6B: Alice
2H: Jamal	Head Teacher Award: Kendrick

Thank you for your continued support in making Rockingham the best school it can possibly be, please visit our [Twitter page](https://twitter.com/RockinghamJI) - <https://twitter.com/RockinghamJI> Website - <http://www.rockinghamji.co.uk/>

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