



Rumboldswyke
Church of England Primary School

Newsletter 28th November 2025

Dear Rumboldswyke families

I can finally say the word *Christmas* without having to apologise first! The school has been beautifully decorated today to mark the First Sunday of Advent. Once again, we are grateful to Harry's grandad for donating our stunning Christmas tree. The Year 6s were super excited to decorate it this morning, you can never have too many baubles!

Admission September 2026

If you know of anyone looking at options for starting school next September, we have our final tour before Christmas taking place on Monday. There will be one more tour at the beginning of January before the admissions deadline on 15th January.

Houses Update

It has been a busy week for our house teams. Staff have been awarding points for acts of kindness, positive attitudes, excellent learning, and representing our school values. The totals are very close at the moment, and the excitement is building! We'll be sharing an updated leaderboard in next week's newsletter: every point counts!

The Daily Mile Santa Dash

As we dash into the festive season, pupils at Rumboldswyke will be taking part in the 'Daily Mile Santa Dash!' on **Wednesday 10th December**.

This is a fun, feel-good event that is all about getting children, teachers, and whole school communities moving together to celebrate the joy of being active. Whether pupils run, skip, or walk, the Santa Dash is the perfect way to spread festive cheer while keeping everyone healthy and happy in the run-up to the holidays.

Rather than asking parents to sponsor their children, we are asking for a voluntary contribution towards developing our Forest School area. If you would like to make a donation, please do so via the 'School Shop' section of Arbor. The Daily Mile Santa Dash is listed as £1 per product in Arbor. Therefore, should you wish to donate more than £1, please select the required quantity. For example, if you wish to donate £3, please ensure you select 3 in the quantity box.



FORS Christmas Disco

Don't forget our Christmas Disco for the children on **Monday 8th December**. There will be lots of dancing, games, Christmas cheer and even a few special guest appearances!



Please see the poster in our attachments for further details and timings.



Tickets are on sale in the 'School Shop' section of the Arbor Parent Portal / Arbor App.

Please note that by purchasing a ticket, you are consenting to your child attending the Christmas Party and being provided with a drink of squash and a biscuit during the event.

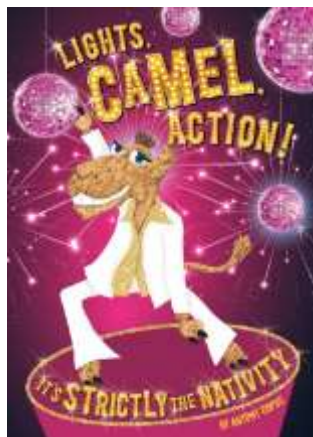
Tickets are £5 per child or £7.50 for siblings. Please ensure you purchase the correct item / product (e.g. KS1, KS2 or Siblings).

All tickets must be purchased by 1pm Monday 8th December.

If you have any difficulties or queries, please pop into the school office.

Year 1&2 Christmas Performance Tickets

Year 1 & 2's Christmas Performances of *'Lights, Camel, Action!'* will be on Tuesday 9th December at 2pm and Wednesday 10th December at 5pm. Initial ticket sales will close at 10am on Thursday 4th December. If parents have not yet purchased their tickets, please ensure you do so by this date. Parents are initially able to purchase a maximum of 2 tickets per performance.



For those that would like to purchase additional tickets, please keep an eye on your emails at the end of next week for more information.

A few school notices

Please can we remind parents to name their child / children's clothing.

Recently, we have had a number of children and parents come to us saying they have misplaced or lost their child's jumper / cardigan / dress / shirt / coat, etc. Having names inside really helps us to find their rightful owners.

We'd also like to remind families that water bottles should contain **water only**. If squash or juice is found in a bottle, it will be emptied and refilled with water.

Thank you for helping us keep everyone healthy and hydrated!

Easy Fundraising:

With Christmas fast approaching we just wanted to send another reminder that we are now registered with Easyfundraising, which means you can help us for FREE. Over 8,000 retailers will donate to us when you use Easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself!

All you need to do is sign up and remember to use Easyfundraising whenever you shop online. It's easy and completely FREE! With Christmas round the corner these donations will really mount up, so please sign up to support us at https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=383603&invite=2l9r0g&referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral



A message from St George's Church: Christmas Services and Events at St George's

All are very welcome to attend the Christmas events and services at St George's Church:

- On 28th November, 5-6pm, there will be a **Family Christmas Craft Workshop** to make Christmas swag for your door and an angel topper for your tree. (Please book tickets here: tinyurl.com/stgeorgeschurchevents).
- On 30th November at 3pm, we will hold a reflective **Advent Liturgy** service to wait and watch for the coming of Christ with passages from scripture, hymns, and Advent carols sung by our choir.
- Our **Christmas Fair** will run this year on 6th December, 10am-2pm, and includes fun,



games,
activities,
crafts, face
painting,
tombola, a
raffle, toy and

book stalls, a Father Christmas Grotto, and more.

- On 13th December at 3pm, we will hold a **Christmas Concert** with performers including talented adult and youth soloists playing music (several from Rumboldswyke School!), our children's choir, youth group, and others.
- If you fancy **Carolling Singing** in the city centre, then do please join us on 18th December at 4:30pm at Eastgate Square (by the Keats statue) to serenade the shoppers and passersby.
- On 20th December at 6pm, **our Parish Carol Service** will take place with well-known carols, beautiful choral music, and the readings from scripture telling the story of Christmas.
- On 24th December at 3pm there will be our interactive **Carols at the Crib** for children and families.
- Then later, on 24th December, starting at 11pm, we will celebrate **Midnight Mass** with a blessing of the crib and the first Eucharist of Christmas to rejoice at the mystery and joy of the birth of Christ.
- On 25th December at 10am, we have our **Christmas Day Choral Mass** to give thanks for God being born as one of us to shine as the light of the world. During this service, there will be special activities in the church centre for any children who come, including singing songs and a time to watch a short film.

Finally, from everyone at St George's, we wish you all a blessed Advent and happy Christmas!

With warmest wishes,
Lisa Harris

After School Clubs

A reminder of our after-school clubs running this term:

After School Club	Day	Time	Dates
Creation Station	Mondays	3:15 - 4:15pm	8 th Sept - 20 th Oct
Drama Club	Tuesdays	3:15 - 4:15pm	9 th Sept - 9 th Dec
Dance Club	Wednesdays	3:15 - 4pm	10 th Sept - 10 th Dec (no session 25 th Sept)
Goal Getters	Thursdays	3:15 - 4:15pm	11 th Sept - 11 th Dec (no sessions 4 th Dec & 11 th Dec)

PE / Forest School Timetable:

	PE	Swimming	Forest School
Monday	Blue Class Yellow Class Red Class	Yr 3	
Tuesday	Yellow Class Red Class		Blue Class* (11 th , 18 th , 25 th Nov & 2 nd Dec)
Wednesday	Green Class		
Thursday	Blue Class Green Class		Red Class
Friday			Green Class

*Please note the dates on which Blue Class have their Forest School Sessions.



Diary Dates

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2025

Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 19th December
Half Term - Monday 27th – Friday 31st October

INSET Day Wednesday 3rd September – children not in school
Children's first day of school will be Thursday 4th September

Spring Term 2026

Monday 5th January – Friday 27th March
Half Term – Monday 16th – Friday 20th February

INSET Day Monday 23rd February – children not in school

Summer Term 2026

Monday 13th April – Wednesday 22nd July
Half Term – Monday 25th – Friday 29th May

Please note we are still in the process of organising the remaining 3 INSET days for the next academic year and will share these dates with you as soon as we can.

December 2025

1 st Dec	Swimming Lessons (Yr3)
8 th Dec	Swimming Lessons (Yr3) FORS Christmas Disco Blue & Yellow – 4pm – 5.15pm Red & Green – 5.30pm – 6.45pm
9 th Dec	Yr1&2 Christmas Production (2pm)
10 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinners Daily Mile Santa Dash Yr1&2 Christmas Production (5pm)
11 th Dec	Green Class Victorian Christmas Day
15 th -17 th Dec	Bikeability - Year 6 only
15 th Nov	Swimming Lessons (Yr3)
18 th Dec	Nativity at St George's Church (10am)
19 th Dec	Last Day of Term
22 nd Dec - 2 nd Jan	Christmas Holidays

January 2026

5 th Jan	First day back after Christmas Holidays
12 th Jan	Swimming Lessons (Yr3)
19 th Jan	Swimming Lessons (Yr3)
26 th Jan	Swimming Lessons (Yr3)



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