

SPRING TERM 1 NEWSLETTER 2026



SCHOOL NEWS

Reflecting on a fantastic start to 2026...

As 2026 began, it was a pleasure to welcome everyone back after the Christmas break, and now, as Spring Term 1 draws to a close, we can reflect with pride on all that has been achieved. The positive energy and sense of purpose that greeted us in January have continued throughout the term, creating a focused and productive start to the year.

Our students have approached the term with determination and maturity, embracing both opportunities and challenges with resilience. Those across the school have shown a strong commitment to their learning, and it has been particularly pleasing to see the continued growth in confidence and independence across all year groups. Our newer students, who joined us in September, are now fully embedded within our school community and continue to thrive both academically and socially.

My sincere thanks go to our committed staff and supportive families, whose partnership ensures that our students are able to flourish. Together, we have built further on our strong foundations and look ahead with confidence to the rest of the academic year.

Mr Birkenhead, Headteacher.



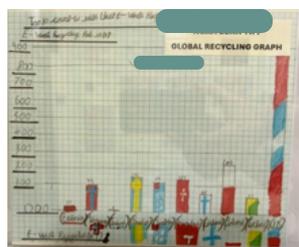
Outstanding Achievements

Our Outstanding Achievement Awards this half term celebrate the incredible efforts, creativity and accomplishments of our students across a wide range of activities. Students have been recognised by staff for their excellent engagement in outreach sessions, where they have represented the school with maturity and enthusiasm, as well as for their creativity and developing skills in art sessions, particularly in painting techniques. Others have been praised for their determination, entrepreneurship and focus in improving their Maths, alongside notable progress in English speaking and listening skills, demonstrating growing confidence in communication.

Many have also shown consistent participation and curiosity in Science throughout the half term, with thoughtful contributions during global recycling lessons, that reflect an increasing awareness of environmental responsibility.



Yr 9 Flower stall



Yr 7 Global Recycling Graph



Yr 9 Art Canvas



Yr 9 Art Work



Events Calendar

The RHS Spring Term 2 calendar has been full of engaging and memorable events, highlighting our school ethos, active participation and shared passion for learning.

Children's Mental Health week

This half term, we were proud to continue and promote the importance of children's mental health, reflecting on the theme "This is My Place", which focused on belonging and the importance of feeling safe, valued and included. At Roselyn House School, we champion these values every day by providing a nurturing and supportive environment where our students can learn, grow and thrive.



Throughout the half term, students have explored these important ideas primarily through PSHE and Art lessons, engaging in thoughtful discussions and creative activities that encourage reflection, self-expression and connection. We also held a "Time to Talk" morning, where students enjoyed their breakfast as usual before taking part in a range of form-based activities designed to promote open conversation, wellbeing and a strong sense of belonging within our school community.



Therapeutic Art



Students baked and made meals together

Educational Visits

Students explored Haigh Hall and enjoyed the various museum visits that helped bring learning to life. These experiences supported their learning while also building social and physical skills.



Fullwood Barracks



Imperial War Museum



Museum of Illusions



Haigh Hall

We also participated in the Wicked Writers Competition, Holocaust Memorial Day and LGBT History Month. Students showcased their creativity by taking part in the Wicked Writers Competition, crafting imaginative pieces inspired by themes of resilience and courage. For Holocaust Memorial Day, they participated in thoughtful lessons that encouraged reflection on remembrance, tolerance and standing up against discrimination. During LGBT History Month, students explored the achievements and contributions of LGBT+ individuals and discussed the importance of equality and inclusion.

Celebrating Sport and DofE success

This past half term has been full of enthusiasm and achievement in both sport and the Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) programme. In sports, our students have shown incredible dedication and teamwork by participating in a badminton event in Blackpool through the Alternative Provision Sports Network, as well as a SEN football tournament organised by the South Ribble Schools Sport Partnership, in which the team won five games and drew one. Their determination, sportsmanship and positivity have been truly inspiring.

The DofE programme has also been hugely successful this half term. Students have engaged in volunteering, local walks, and skill-building activities, developing confidence, resilience and practical abilities. It's been fantastic to see students fully embracing the opportunities available to them, both on and off the field, and making the most of every experience. Students have also engaged in other activities relating to sport and DofE throughout the half term.



Skiing



Rock Climbing



Forest School



Boxing training

Careers and Post 16 Support...

We're excited to share that our KS4 & KS5 students will have the opportunity to attend the National Apprenticeship & Education Event on Tuesday 10th March 2026 at Salford Community Stadium. This free, face-to-face careers event brings together employers, universities, colleges and training providers from across the region.

What's it all about?

At this event, students will be able to:

- Meet employers and training providers in person to ask questions and get advice on real career routes and apprenticeship options.
- Discover how apprenticeships work at all levels, from intermediate to degree apprenticeships.
- Learn about other pathways into work, including further study and training.
- Access up-to-date careers guidance and explore future study options.

Venue: Salford Community Stadium, Eccles

Date: Tuesday 10th March 2026

Time: 9:30 am – 3:00 pm

Cost: Free for students and visitors

School will be taking students who wish to attend.

[Event info & booking – National Apprenticeship & Education Event North West Manchester \(official site\)](#)

Supporting our families this half term

As we approach the half term break, we want to remind parents and carers of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) that support is available throughout Lancashire.

Lancashire County Council's SEND Local Offer also provides a wealth of resources for families, including activities, SEN support in schools, and advice on Education, Health and Care (EHC) plans. Explore their full range of services here: lancashire.gov.uk/SEND.

For additional support during the holidays, you may wish to check local family hubs, SEND parent groups and community events listed on the Local Offer. Half term is a great opportunity to connect with other parents and share experiences and remember, you're not alone.

The school email address is monitored during the holidays, but we may not always be able to reply.



Looking Ahead to Spring Term 2...

A massive thank you to our students, parents and staff for their continued dedication and hard work. Your passion, commitment and positivity are what make our school community so vibrant and inspiring.

As we move into Spring Term 2, there is plenty to look forward to. Our calendar will include:

- Continuation of **exam preparation for KS3, KS4 & KS5**, helping students prepare and build confidence for their assessments.
- **St David's Day** - Encouraging creativity, imagination and celebrating Welsh culture.
- **World Book Day** - Reflecting on literature's power to teach, inspire and preserve for all.
- **British Science Week** - Celebrating all things science.
- **International Womens Day** - Highlighting inspiring women in history, literature, science and the local community.
- **Healthy Eating Week** - Focusing on mindful nutrition and taking care of our bodies.
- **NCFE Functional Skills Exams** - Students will be sitting Entry Level, Level 1 & 2 exams.

In addition, a variety of other exciting activities and events are planned to inspire, engage and celebrate our students.

Have a wonderful half term.