November 2026

RPS THE HUB



As I walk prospective parents around our school, I continue to feel incredibly proud of what makes our community so special. Overwhelmingly, the feedback we receive highlights the warm, welcoming atmosphere and strong sense of community that is evident throughout the school. Reading this newsletter is a wonderful reminder of just how much we have going on and of the fantastic team that makes it all possible. Our staff, parents and wider community work together to create such rich opportunities for our children, and this has been further enhanced by the support of external services, including our new yoga sessions, LEGO provision and direct family support. I am also delighted by the introduction of our Year 6 Reporters. Their enthusiasm, confidence and reporting skills have already impressed me, and I am excited to see their contributions develop over the months ahead. We have a busy and festive few weeks as we approach Christmas, with many events and celebrations to enjoy together. As always, please remember to be kind to yourselves and to one another. If something gets forgotten amongst the Christmas rush, don't worry - we can always sort it out! I hope to see many of you at one of our Christmas events before the end of term.

Wishing you all a happy and enjoyable lead-up to the festive season

Reepham Reverse Advent Calendar

As we approach the Christmas season, we are delighted to launch our Reverse Advent Calendar in support of North Norfolk Foodbank running from 30th November for two weeks.

We are hoping to involve not only our school community but also the wider Reepham community in helping to support the foodbank during one of its busiest times of the year.

We will begin collecting Donations from 30th November, and all donations can be dropped off at the Reepham Primary School Office or the Coop.

Whether you are able to donate an item everyday, contribute a single item, or share our appeal with friends, Family, neighbours and the wider community, every act of kindness will help.

Important Dates for December

- Tuesday 1st December = Norfolk Childrens Book Sale after school in the Hall - Please bring Cash.
- Thursday 3rd December = Year 3 Trip to Time and Tide
- Friday 4th December = Decorations Day and Day one of Santa's Grotto
- Monday 7th December = Day two of Santa's Grotto and Rocksteady Concert at 14.30 (only for parents of Rocksteady Children).
- Tuesday 8th December =Year 6 Children singing at Ash Tree Village - Please wear a Christmas Jumper and bring a coat!
- Wednesday 9th December = KS1 Nativity Play at 09.30 (No tickets or booking needed)
- Thursday 10th December = KS1 Nativity Play at 09.30 (No tickets or booking needed)
- Thursday 10th December = Christmas Jumper Day = Donation of £1
- Friday 11th December = Celebration assembly followed by the year 3 Bakesale
- Monday 14th December = Year Reception Vision and Hearing
- Tuesday 15th December = Years 3 & 4 Play @ 2pm and 6pm (no tickets or booking needed)
- Wednesday 16th December = Year 5 & 6 Carol service at the church, Parents welcome to the service at 1.30pm
- Thursday 17th December = Christmas Lunch followed by the Pantomime
- Friday 18th December = Last Day of term, Normal finish time

Book Sale

Norfolk Children's Book Centre will be holding a book sale in the Hall after school on Tuesday 1st December - A great opportunity to start your Christmas shopping,

Please bring cash if possible!

Christmas in Reepham

Saturday 5th December 2026

4pm = 7pm

We hope to see you all there!



Christmas Jumper Day

This years National Christmas Jumper Day is on the 10th December. We invite the Children to wear their Christmas Jumpers with a suggested donation of £1 to the NSPCC.

Outdoor Learning

Outdoor Learning continues to go from strength to strength at Reepham Primary. A huge thank you to all of our amazing volunteers whose support allows us to provide more free-choice experiences and opportunities to extend and challenge children's learning outdoors.

Thank you also, to the Bircham Centre for donating 3 hedgehog houses. We have had fun decorating them and preparing them for the hedgehogs to use over the winter months.

This half term, Reception, Year 3 and 4 children have Outdoor Learning, with activities carefully planned to complement their classroom learning, including maps and navigation in Year 3 and fresh food and healthy eating in Year 4 as well as lots of opportunities to focus on seasonal changes and nature connection.

Finally, we are also pleased to share that the Tesco Stronger Starts funding we secured last year has now been fully invested in a range of resources to enhance our Outdoor Learning sessions. We look forward to sharing more updates from our outdoor adventures soon!

Nativity Plays

The children have been working so hard on rehearsals for their Christmas Performances!

Your Child's teachers will send out specific details regarding costumes and props that your child may need.

Please see details below for dates and times of the perfomances.



KS2

A Fireside Nativity

Tuesday 15th December at 2pm and 6pm

NO BOOKING needed but we only have a small hall so we request that no more then 2 Spectators per child at each showing.



Nursery and KS1

The Twinkly Nativity

Wednesday 9th December at 09.30

Thursday 10th December at 09.30

NO BOOKING needed but we only have a small hall so we request that no more then 2 Spectators per child at each showing.

Carol Service Year 5 & 6

The Children in Years 5 & 6 wiil be holding a Carol service at St Mary's Church in Reepham on Wednesday 16th December, families are welcome to attend the service at 13.30

Technology in School

As Per School policy, children are not permitted to bring any technology into school that can take photos e.g. Watches.



Workshop

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Santa's Workshop is Coming to Reepham!

Every year, the Friends of Reepham transform our school library into Santa's Workshop, giving children a wonderful opportunity to do some Christmas shopping for family and friends.

The workshop will be open on Friday 4th December and Monday 7th December. Children will visit with their class, but as we cannot be sure which day each class will attend, please send any spending money in on Friday 4th December. Siblings are welcome to shop together if they wish.

If you would like your child to take part, please send them to school with cash in a named envelope or purse, along with a list of the people they would like to buy gifts for.

There will be a range of gifts available, priced from 50p to £3.00, including items such as socks, candles, pet treats, key rings, and much more.

Our friendly team of Christmas Elves will be on hand to help the children choose gifts, and all purchases will be wrapped and ready to go straight under the tree in time for Christmas!

🎄 **We look forward to helping the children enjoy this special festive tradition**.

2027/2028 Term Dates

School Term dates for **2027/2028** are now available on our School Website.



Year 5 Bakesale

Well done to Year 5 Parents and Students who raised a **FANTASTIC £180** with their Halloween bake sale!



Poppy Appeal

Every Year Reepham Primary School supports the Poppy Appeal , and this year was no different!
A Huge well done to the School Council representatives who gave up their breaktimes and lunchtimes to sell the Poppy Merchandise - we raised an incredible **£189**

Pantomime

Please remember to visit Arbor to pay £4 for your child to attend the Pantomime Cinderella at Reepham Primary School On the 17th December. A Big thank you for those who have already paid!

Children in need 2026

What a lovely day we had raising money for Children In Need - The children and Staff really seemed to enjoy wearing their Pyjamas to School!
The School Council did an incredible job decorating Children in Need Biscuits and selling them afterschool with the help of some Parent Helpers - The school raised **£220!!**

Christmas Lunch Pre-Order

Please remember to Pre-order your child's Christmas Lunch for the 17th December, You Must Pre-order on Arbor by **Friday 4th December** - No other food option wil be available that day, So please provide your child with a pack lunch if they do not want a Christmas Lunch.



A Gentle Request

If you are Planning to buy your child a new backpack for Christmas, we kindly ask that you avoid choosing one with wheels. Our school corridors are quite narrow, and wheeled bags can take up a lot of space and create a trip hazard for both children and staff. Thank you for your support in helping us keep our school environment safe and easy for everyone to move around,



School breaks up on the 18th December at 15.10
Wishing you all a very lovely Christmas

Important January Dates and Events

- Monday 4th January = Inset Day
- Tuesday 5th January = Inset day
- Wednesday 6th January = Children return to school
- Friday 29th January = Celebration assembly.

