



# Ryecroft CE Middle School

Newsletter : 23.01.26



## Headteacher's Message

Welcome to the first newsletter of this calendar year.

Although the term began with a little disruption due to the snow, it has been a real pleasure to see how quickly pupils have settled back into school for 2026. Classrooms are calm, purposeful and full of learning, with pupils fully engaged, enjoying school life and working incredibly hard. Their resilience, positivity and readiness to learn have been a wonderful start to the year and reflect the strong relationships and high expectations across our school.

At the heart of all that we do is our Christian ethos, which shapes the way we treat one another and the choices we make each day.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. We look forward to another happy, caring and successful term together.

Mrs Grattage

**Executive Headteacher**

## Key Dates

**02.02.26** - Year 7 Parents' Evening

**06.02.26**: NSPCC Number Day

**12.02.26**: Careers Day

**13.02.26**: Inset Day

**Half Term: 16<sup>th</sup> February - 20<sup>th</sup> February**

**02.03.26**: Y6 Visit - Derby Faith Trail

**06.03.26**: Y7 Visit: National Justice Museum

**09.03.26**: Year 8 Parents' Evening

**16.03.26**: KS3 French Visit 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> March



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## Well done, Annie!

We are incredibly proud of Annie Manning, who represented Ryecroft at the National Schools Snowsports Association regional race yesterday.

Annie finished 2nd in her age category and 5th overall - a fantastic achievement! With two races still to come, she is well placed to qualify for the National Finals in May.

Well done, Annie, and good luck in the upcoming races!



## Perserverance



Our value this half term is perseverance. Throughout the school, pupils have been exploring what it means to keep going when learning feels challenging, to learn from mistakes and to give their best even when something feels difficult. As part of this work, pupils have designed and created bookmarks, which will be used in class as a simple but powerful reminder to persevere in all things. These bookmarks reflect pupils' own understanding of perseverance and encourage them to approach their learning, relationships and everyday challenges with resilience and determination.

