



Welcome to our first Rosherville Round-Up of the school year.
A celebration of community, kindness, learning, and growth at Rosherville C
of E Academy

Sports Skills, Spirit & the Aletheia Trust Games

Sport is off to a great start at Rosherville! Pupils have joined Mrs Henriksen's after-school club to practise passing, footwork and teamwork. They are showing real effort and progress. This term also began the **Aletheia Trust Games 2025**, starting with Netball. Schools from across the Trust came together for a fun day of matches. Pupils showed their skills, teamwork and good sportsmanship. Some children were given certificates for playing fairly and showing respect to others.

We are very proud of everyone who took part — and we are already excited for **Round Two: Dodgeball!**





Litter-Picking: Beautifying Our Neighbourhood

This month, our pupils and staff took to the local streets to care for the environment. Our newly formed **Eco Committee**, made up of children from across the year groups, joined forces to collect litter, armed with pickers, refuse bags, and hi-vis vests.

Working alongside **Horlock & Sons Funeral Directors** and **St Botolph's Church**, the children showed fantastic **teamwork, responsibility, and pride**, collecting an impressive amount of rubbish and helping to make the area cleaner and more welcoming.

With equipment kindly provided by **Gravesham Council** and refreshments from Horlocks, the event was a great example of what schools, local organisations, and the church can achieve together. The children thoroughly enjoyed taking part in this positive community effort, and we look forward to more opportunities to care for our local environment.



Observing Rosh Hashanah: Reflection & New Beginnings

This September, we marked the Jewish festival of **Rosh Hashanah** in school with care, respect, and learning. Our assemblies explored the meaning of the festival — celebrating the Jewish New Year, reflecting on past actions, and looking ahead with hope.

Children joined in guided discussions, prayers, and tasting symbolic foods such as **apples with honey**, representing sweetness and new beginnings. It was a meaningful opportunity to learn about faith, community, and difference, reflecting our Christian values of respect, learning, and inclusion. The whole school celebrated Rosh Hashanah — a Jewish celebration of a fresh start and the creation of the world.



In Morpurgo Class, children enjoyed a range of activities: making **Star of David collages**, creating boxes for sweets, writing about forgiveness on hand-shaped outlines, and completing quizzes and word searches. The highlight was tasting apples dipped in honey, symbolising hopes for a sweet new year.

Dahl Class had fun painting patterns for **Shofar horns**, which they will complete once the paint dries, and also enjoyed dipping apples in honey.

Rauf Class explored the significance of **pomegranates and apples**, learning how these fruits symbolise wishes for a sweet and fruitful year. The pomegranate, in particular, represents hope for a year filled with good deeds. These hands-on activities helped the children understand cultural traditions, reflect on their own growth, and think about setting goals for the year ahead.



Macmillan Coffee Afternoon: Community & Compassion

One of the highlights this month was our **Macmillan Coffee Afternoon**, hosted by Year 6 Morpurgo Class on Friday 26th September. Parents and carers joined us to raise money for this important charity and to enjoy the many cakes that were kindly baked and donated. The children did a fantastic job as hosts and made us very proud. Thank you to everyone who baked, donated or came along — your support helped make the event a big success and raised money for a very worthy cause.



It has been a fantastic start to the school year, and we look forward to many more opportunities for learning, growth, and community together.

