

Monday 3rd June

ROEBUCK ACADEMY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating another special week
at our great school!

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Key Dates

5/6/24
Year 4 Golf
festival

6/6/24
KS1 Parent
Reading session
8.30 - 9.00

6/6/24
Y5 British
Museum Trip

10/6/24
Y6 Graduation
photos

6/6/24
Boys cricket
festival

11/6/24
Class photos

Welcome from the Headteacher

I hope you all had a restful and relaxing half term holiday, and we welcome you back for the last half term of the academic year. There is lots planned in for the next seven weeks with sports week, sports days, artist visits and class trips planned for the children, as well as transition events and Year 6 activities such as Enterprise day and their production.

Over the next few weeks we also see Year 1 taking their Phonics screening and Year 4 complete their Multiplication check. We have been impressed by the hard work they have been putting into their phonics learning and multiplication tables and wish them good luck.

Parent Partnership award

We are working as a school community to achieve Leading Parent Partnership Award. In April 2016, we were awarded the Leading Parent Partnership Award (LPPA). This is a national award that recognises the work that we do for parents and our commitment to working with parents. This was then renewed in 2020. We are currently working towards renewing this award again this year.

This Award will help our work in developing partnerships with all parents and carers. We aim to provide opportunities over time to increase parental participation in school life to work together to improve pupil progress, punctuality, attendance and behaviour. We are always looking for new ways for parents to be involved in their children's learning so we can work together to provide the best environment for your children to learn in. If you are interested in supporting the school in achieving this award, please see Mrs Elson.

Kindness assembly

In the last week of the half term, we had an online Kindness Workshop from the charity 52 Lives (www.52-lives.org) and their School of Kindness! We learned that kindness has three qualities – being friendly, generous and considerate. We learnt about the science of kindness and the positive impact it has on our physical and mental health. Next, we practised empathy by watching videos of kindness in action and then said kind things to each other in the classroom. To put our kindness into action, we thought of someone we knew who could do with a little kindness. We then made them something in our classrooms and plan to give it to them. Finally, we looked at the quote 'be the change that you want to see in the world' and decided that we can help to create the kind of world we want to live in.

12/6/24
Girls Cricket
festival

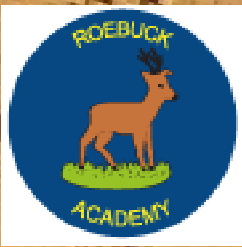
13/6/24
Athletics festival

14/6/24
Year 6 Enterprise
day

14/6/24
KS1 Football
festival

14/6/24
RSA Pop up shop
for the Man in
your life

17-21/6/24
Sports Week



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It is really important that each child reaches our school attendance target of 96%. Please make sure your child is in school and on time everyday!

Our whole school attendance figure for this week

92%

96%

Attendance percentage we aim for every week

Attendance Awards



Oak
98.3%



Ash
96.3%



Pear
96%

The winning class(es) will receive an additional playtime this week as a reward. Well done to Juniper Class who had 98.7 % attendance!



Nursery Chestnut and Acorn

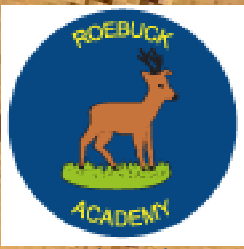
This week in Nursery we have been reading the story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. We have been learning about the lifecycle of a butterfly and have enjoyed observing these changes in our classroom. We were excited to see that the caterpillars are now inside a chrysalis and we look forward to them becoming butterflies very soon!



Reception Oak and Willow

This week in our reception classes the children have been busy working on their handwriting. Every day the children in reception get a visit from Marvin the Monkey. Marvin is a friendly, stripey monkey who teaches the children to write cursive letters. Each letter he teaches them has a story and a picture to help them remember how to write the letter correctly. Marvin has two golden rules - start on the line every time and start with a little smile. Every day Marvin looks at the children's handwriting and if he is really pleased with the children he gives them a special Marvin clap. Look how quickly and beautifully the children have learnt to form their letters. At Roebuck Academy we are writers.





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Elm & Maple



This week Year 1 have started a new maths topic all about volume and capacity. We used language such as 'full, empty, half full, half empty, etc'. We practically used water and cups to visually make different amounts.



In Literacy we have been reading Grandad's Island by Benji Davies. We enjoyed writing a letter using lots of exciting sentences!



In History we have been learning about a Pirate named Grace O'Malley and an explorer named Christopher Columbus. We created a timeline of events and put these in chronological order. What a fun week it has been!



Birch & Pine

A fantastic end of the half term for Year 2. We have been working on Purple Mash to create different types of art. We studied different artists and used their pieces as inspiration, when designing our own. In DT, we studied how to make objects move and designed and created our own moving monsters. We loved sharing our creations with our friends and evaluated our work when we had finished. We have loved exploring different texts in our HOB sessions. We have continued to develop our reading skills and enjoyed learning new vocabulary!





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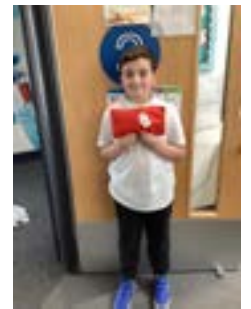


Dream catcher assembly.

Have you taken part in an adventure which has changed you for the better? Can you share key life experiences which have shaped who you are today? If you have answered yes to any of the questions above and would be happy to speak in a short assembly to share what you have to offer, please email smithc@roebuck.herts.sch.uk. We will be welcoming our latest Dreamcatcher assembly this Wednesday 5th June, who is a scientist from Glaxo Smithkline.

Cherry & Pear

This half term, Year 3 have been busy putting their textile skills to practice. They have learnt to sew a running stitch, cross and back stitch. They even learnt a new life skill by sewing on a button. They then put their skills to good use by making cushions! We are blown away by their determination and resilience. What a wonderful way to finish up the Summer term.



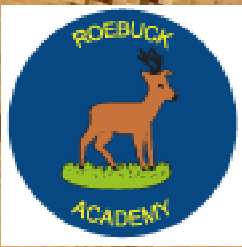
Cedar & Rowan

Rowan and Cedar have shown lots of enthusiasm during lessons for their summer term topics.

We have been developing drawing skills including the use of techniques such as hatching and shading as well as charcoal and drawing with an eraser to create realistic 3d drawings of compositions involving everyday items. We have also used collage techniques to begin to explore printing techniques and are looking forward to experimenting with wax resist techniques before designing and creating our final outcomes.

All Year 4 pupils have been busily practising and applying rapid recall of multiplication facts little and often throughout the week. The Year 4 team have been very impressed with the effort and enthusiasm shown towards this. Well done Year 4 and keep the great effort going! This will definitely support the upcoming Multiplication Tables check in June.





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Juniper & Sycamore

Year 5 recently had a workshop during mental health week all about being kind. We learnt about how being kind and supportive to one another improves our mental health and keeps us in positive spirit. We spoke about how making other people feel happy also has benefits for yourself as an individual. We are all looking forward to the next half terms where we will be putting these things into practise and spreading positivity not just amongst our own year group but hopefully the school as a whole. As part of our workshop we created posters and edges to send to someone who is special to us and to give them a boost of positivity about themselves.

In literacy we finished writing our letters to premier league football teams where we encouraged them to start using fair trade footballs. We looked at the positive impact fair trade can have on underprivileged communities and Pakistan and we hope our letters can make a difference.

Ash and Elder

SATs are finished! To celebrate, we had a pizza party and watched a film on the Friday. We also went out onto the field to play Rounders as a whole year group. Our production, 'SHREK', was revealed to us on the final day of the week too. Auditions were held in Ash Class after Lunch and our parts were announced before we broke up for the half term holiday. We have begun our Enterprise unit in maths this week - looking at profit, loss and budgeting. We were arranged into groups and had to consider our group name, logo and what products we would sell. Some of us have met with our new secondary schools to help us discuss our worries and concerns about moving up.



APPLICATIONS FOR NURSERY PLACES IN SEPTEMBER ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE

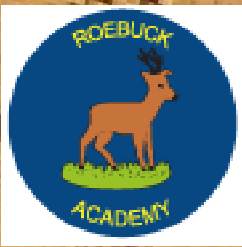
• Fully Funded 15 & 30 hour places • Wrap around care provided daily 7:30am - 6:00pm at Roebuck Buccaneers

"Our children are the beating heart of our school and we ensure that every child is valued, nurtured and encouraged to be the best that they can be."



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29th June - 3pm
Herts FA County Ground

In partnership with
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 SYNDROME FOUNDATION

Scan Here for tickets

Williams Syndrome Charity Match

Special Guests include
 Lee Canoville
 Jensen Rdegan ju
 Lil Junior
 Planet Faz
 David Noble
 Paolo Bernazza
 Go Pro Gaffer

YEAR 6 SUMMER ENTERPRISE
 FRIDAY 14TH JUNE
 IN SCHOOL

YEARS 2-5
 BRING UP TO £3

Year 6 will be hosting different stalls where children in years 2-5 can purchase items or play games.

THE RSA PRESENTS
 'TO THE MARVELLOUS MAN IN MY LIFE'

WE ♥ DAD

MY HERO

£1.00 £2.00 £1.50 £1.00

PURCHASE THROUGH SCHOOL GATEWAY
 HANDED TO CHILDREN IN THEIR CLASSES ONCE PURCHASED

**LIMITED STOCK

We have been told about a Charity football match which has been organised on behalf of Williams Syndrome, which supports one of our pupils. The match is on 29th June at the Herts County Ground .

Year 6 are busy organising their Enterprise day , which will be held on Friday 14th June.

The RSA are taking orders for their Marvellous Man in my life stall. Orders through gateway.

We like celebrating achievements outside of school and we must congratulate Year 6 pupil, Max who represented Stevenage District Primary Schools at a football tournament in Norfolk, which they won. The pictures below show the boys celebrating their victory.

In the evening, they attended a presentation and received a lovely winner's trophy and medals from former Chelsea, West Ham and England International Carlton Cole to round off a perfect weekend.

