



Tuesday 20th December

ROEBUCK ACADEMY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating another special week at our great school!

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HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

Key Dates

05/01/23

Spring Term begins

13/01/23

Year One Space Dome

16/01/23

Year 2 Chinese Workshop

19/01/23

Year 3 Roman Workshop

25/01/23

Frozen Workshop NHC

31/01/23

Year 6 Trip to Tring Museum

Can I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support throughout this term and at all of our recent fabulous Christmas events. Your support and encouragement is greatly appreciated by your children and all staff in our school. It has been a very busy but highly enjoyable end of school term.

Those of you who have been fortunate enough to have attended one of the many school productions will have been impressed by the confidence and talents of the children. We are so proud of their achievements, and we will do everything we can next year to ensure we develop their talents and help them to reach their potential.

Finally on behalf of all of the staff and governing body have a Happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Thursday 5th January 2023!

Acorn & Chestnut

In Nursery we were very excited to see the snow! We went for a snowy winter walk to see how different our outside area looked. We used our senses to explore.

We listened to the crunching sounds as we walked along, and we were very excited to see our breath in the air.

We then brought the snow inside to explore it further. We discussed what we thought might happen and found that it started to melt. Happy Christmas!

Willow & Oak

It is officially Christmas time in Reception! We have been busy over the last few weeks getting ready for Christmas. The children have all performed in our Christmas Nativity, Whoops-A-Daisy-Angel and all excelled at learning their lines, songs and actions, including how to sign using Makaton. We are so proud of all the children and applaud them for all their hard work and enthusiasm in making our Christmas Nativity such a special one.

The children also made the most of the snowy weather. We wrapped up warm and worked together to build a fantastic snowman. The children also enjoyed making patterns in the snow using sticks and loved making snow angels. We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all the parents and carers for attending our Nativity and for all your support this term. Happy Christmas from all of us!





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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

89.2%

96%

Attendance percentage we aim for every week

Attendance Awards



Maple
95.4%



Pear
92.5%



Ash/Pine
91.7%

The winning class(es) will receive an additional playtime this week as a reward. Well done to Maple Class who had 95.4% attendance!



Elm & Maple

This week Year One have been writing Christmas poems that Santa would be proud of! We have also been learning about ordinal numbers and Mr Moran helped us understand different positions when playing games. We have made Christmas cards, calendars and place mats in preparation for our Christmas dinner on Monday.

We baked shortbread biscuits on Friday by weighing ingredients, mixing, rolling and cooking. They looked delicious! We also enjoyed a wonderful class party with tasty food - thank you parents! Happy Christmas!



Birch & Pine

This week in Year Two we finished editing our non-fiction writing on hibernating animals which we had spent the last couple weeks completing. We also started looking at multiplication and division in Maths, so we will be looking out for lots of practise on TTRockstars!

In Music we were learning how to play our Christmas song HO HO HO on glockenspiels, with an amazing result. The week ended in a very festive manner, making our placemats, and having a lovely Christmas party. Thanks to all parents for the lovely selection of food brought in, we had a great time!! Merry Christmas!



Cherry & Pear

We are Mathematicians! In Year 3, we have been working very hard on long division. We have had to use our known facts to help us divide. To remind us of our times tables we have enjoyed playing lots of interactive games with our friends. Year 3 then developed their known facts even further by using manipulatives to find remainders. What superstars we are! Have a great Christmas everyone!





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Cedar & Rowan

It has been another busy week in Year 4.

In Literacy, we have been planning and writing our own poems based on 'The Small Dragon' poem that we sentence stacked last week. The children have been very creative with the creatures they have found.

In Science, we have been learning about invertebrates and have been using their features to categorise them as well as creating our own keys to sort them.

During Art lessons, we have been creating our own wax resist pictures based on the 'drawing with scissor' lesson we completed last week. We have really enjoyed trying this method.

We have also had fun playing in the snow as well as keeping warm and playing games in the classroom at break times. Have a fabulous Christmas all!

Juniper & Sycamore

What a thaw-some term!

We finished our topic all about the water cycle, where we created our own models to demonstrate the continuous recycling process of the water on Earth. We then used our findings to write our own explanation texts, in English. Did you know that there is the same amount of water on Earth now as there was when it was first created?

In DT, we explored a range of greeting cards before designing and creating our own electrical version using a circuit. Ask your child, "What components are required to make a circuit?"

In maths, we completed the first part of our fractions unit and have worked hard to understand how to add and subtract improper, mixed-number and unlike fractions.

We also had a snow-tastic time making snow angels and snowmen outside on the field.

Well done for a fantastic first term in Year 5!

Merry Christmas!





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Ash & Elder

This week was filled with endless excitement and countless fun for Elder and Ash.

Of course, Monday was a snow day - and because of this we had time at school to enjoy the winter-wonderland outside!

We had an extremely exciting lesson about dog breeds, where we matched dogs to their best descriptions and wrote definitions of breeds and their personalities as part of our science unit about inherited and acquired characteristics.

In addition, we had a lesson drawing the Mr. men and Little Miss's children and their genetic inheritances. In English, each child wrote autobiographies on the Chromebooks! We also had many tests to stretch our brains even further and to see the wonderful progress we have been making so far this year.

Finally, we enjoyed our last Friday before the end of term with a non-school uniform day and an exciting class party with games, drinks and food to our hearts content! What a perfect way to end the year.

