



Tuesday 19th March

ROEBUCK ACADEMY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating another special week at our great school!

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Key Dates

18/3/24
Chicks in Nursery

18/3/24
Bridge Builders assembly KS2

19/3/24
Year 6 SATS meeting 5.30pm

19/3/24
Bridge Builders assembly KS1

20/3/24
Sycamore Class Easter Journey

20 to 22/3/23
Reception screening Height, weight vision

Welcome from the Headteacher

After two very busy weeks at school, we start our countdown to the Easter break. We have been very fortunate to be visited by music students from the University of Hertfordshire as well as two authors for World Book Day, Hannah Shaw and David Owen. The children have been really enjoying their learning especially with the events and trips organised and I have really enjoyed visiting classes and talking to the children about their learning.

RSA

Another big thank you to the RSA members who organised and ran the Mothers Day pop up shop on the Friday before Mothers Day. They are organising an Easter drawing competition, with details being sent through this week!

The school will also hold an Easter Egg raffle with eggs kindly donated by the teaching staff. All children in school will be entered into this raffle free of charge.

Reading at Roebuck

Key Stage 1 hosted an early morning read for parents. Thank you to all parents who attended KS1 reading morning. We loved having you all in the classrooms and sharing stories. Please see the timetable sent to you for the next term ahead and we look forward to seeing you all again next week at 3:00pm.

Red Nose Day

The school was a sea of red when Roebuck celebrated Red Nose Day on Friday. Many thanks for donations to the Comic Relief fund which amounted to £257.75.



Key Dates

21/3/24
Science Day

21/3/24
Stevenage Borough in Year 5

23/3/24
Sycamore Class Easter Journey

23/3/24
Nursery stay and play

26/3/24
Rock steady concert

28/3/24
Last day of Spring Term



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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

94%

96%

Attendance percentage we aim for every week

Attendance Awards



Willow
98.7%



Pine
98.3%



Oak
97%

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

Nursery Chestnut and Acorn



This week in Nursery we have begun to notice the changes from Winter to Spring. We went on a Spring walk to see if we could spot signs of Spring. We noticed buds on trees, bumble bees and daffodils growing around the school. We discussed that it is time to prepare the Nursery garden ready for planting fruits and vegetables.

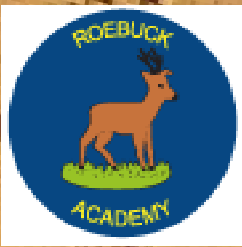


The children have been busy weeding the flower beds and filling them with fresh soil. We then planted some onion bulbs as these take a long time to grow. We can't wait to watch how these change over time!

Reception Oak and Willow

It's been another busy week of learning in Oak and Willow class. We started our week off by learning about Ramadan and had a visit from a parent who shared with us that Ramadan is a period of ritual fasting. We learnt that Ramadan is in the ninth month of the Islamic calendar and Muslims across the world will fast during daylight hours. Ramadan marks the time when the Quran, their holy book, was revealed to the Prophet Muhammad. We learnt that at the end of Ramadan, when Muslims no longer have to fast, there is a special holiday, called Eid al-Fitr. It lasts for three days and Muslims celebrate the breaking of the fast. The festival begins when the first sight of the new moon is seen in the sky. The children had a wonderful time making Ramadan decorations and learnt so much! We finished our busy week by dressing in red for Red Nose Day. We all looked fabulous in our red clothes and enjoyed taking part in lots of Red Nose Day themed activities. Well done Oak and Willow class!





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Elm & Maple



Gosh, what a busy time we've had! Year 1 have been loving their Literacy unit - Pinocchio! We wrote our own endings to the story and enjoyed sharing these with Mr Mari! In Science we have been learning all about the 5 senses. This week we focused on 'hearing' and went on a sound walk around the school. We discussed the differences between the volume of the sounds we heard. The last two weeks have been filled with dress up! We enjoyed becoming our favourite book characters on World Book Day and then being redder than red for Red Nose Day. At Roebuck.. we are writers, we are scientists, we don't wear uniform and we are BUSY!



Birch & Pine

A fun filled couple of weeks for year 2! We have had a visit from a Team GB athlete, who we will hopefully see in the Olympic Games in Paris this Summer. We have celebrated World Book Day and Red Nose Day. We have also been mastering our art and design skills, including weaving and shading. Also, a big thank you to all the year 2 parents who attended the KS1 reading morning. We can not wait to welcome you all again this week.

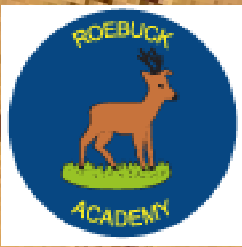


Dream catcher assemblies.

We want our children to DREAM big and know their possibilities are endless. Part of our values is to get the children to aspire to be the best they can. This includes wanting to be ambitious in the career they want to enter into. For this we need YOUR help! Do you have an exciting career you could share with the children?

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





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Cherry & Pear

Year 3 have been cooking this week! We became professional pizza chefs for the morning and met some objectives in our DT lessons. The aim was to be able to cut, spread, grate and roll ingredients. Delicious!



Cedar & Rowan

Last week, we were lucky enough to have an author visit. David Owen shared some of his books with us and spoke to us about his journey to becoming an author and his inspiration for writing his books.

As part of World Book Day, we read a book called The Tower. Further to this, we delved deeper into the characters and had fun using drama to explore the conversations the children might have had with the tree man. We then went on to gather natural materials and created our own tree characters.

This week Year 4 started the week with a webinar session for British Science week. We enjoyed hearing from a STEM Ambassador, Liz Tinlin, who introduced us to how the planet has changed hugely over its long life and continues to change. We found out about the planet formation, surface erosion, plate tectonics, volcanoes, and even meteorite impacts.





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Juniper & Sycamore

Year 5 went on their trip to Airbus to learn about all things space! We began our day with stories in the stars, looking at our galaxy - the Milky Way and exploring several constellations and the stories behind these, we especially liked the story all about Orion. We then had time exploring the amazing science room and learning about all aspects of science - this included an interactive floor mat, controlling robotic arms, creating volcanoes out of sand and watching them erupt, giving each other small electric shocks using the large plasma ball and so much more. Later in the day, we explored the use of satellites and how these are being used to identify where penguins colonies exist - we had magnifying glasses and several images that had been taken of areas in Antarctica from satellites and we had to decide if we could see penguin poo or not! We then made an Earth orbit to show how the Earth orbits the sun, how the moon orbits the earth and how the Earth spins on its own axis and we got to take these home at the end of the day. Finally, we looked at the Mars Rovers exhibit and learnt about how Mars is being explored and what the future plans are. All in all a great day filled with learning.

Ash and Elder

This week we have been occupied with our Mock SATs. Some of us sat in the hall and in other rooms so we could experience what the real thing would be like.

In science, we cut open a lamb heart to study its chambers and veins. We then studied the blood by making a blood soup: adding Plasma (orange juice), Red blood cells (food dyed cheerios), White blood cells (white chocolate chips) and Platelets (rice) into a jug. In DT we have been studying different animal enclosures and what features are needed before we make our own. During PE, we have been playing rapid fire cricket, which is like cricket but you hit 3 balls between the two players in the same team and they run until the fielders have put the equipment back to normal. Lastly, in computing, we have started a new topic on text adventure where we make a storyline to make a game.





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WHEN:
MONDAY 8-8:30AM
EYFS AND KS1
THURSDAY 8-8:30AM
KS2

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9th April - 11th April

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FULL DAY £25 PER DAY
HALF DAY £14 PER DAY
FULL WEEK £70 FOR FULL WEEK (FIVE-DAY)
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Easter Workshop

The students from Oaklands College will be organising Easter Workshops on the final day of term, Thursday 28th March. Some Classes in Key Stage 1 and KS2 will be taking part in these with donations of a £1 going to BBC Children in Need. More details to be sent out later this week.

Hop on over for our
EASTER WORKSHOP

Join us on
March 28th
for some egg-citing fun!

£1.00 TO DONATE

FOR BBC CHILDREN IN NEED

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TUES 2nd APR: EASTER FUN DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easter Egg Treasure Hunt Egg and Spoon Race Eggcellent Dodgeball Big team Rounders 	TUES 9th APR: EASTER FUN DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easter Egg Treasure Hunt Egg and Spoon Race Eggcellent Dodgeball Big team Baseball
WED 3rd APR: NINJA WARRIOR DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Camouflage Timed Challenges Obstacle Courses Balance & Agility Training 	WED 10th APR: NINJA WARRIOR DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Camouflage Timed Challenges Obstacle Courses Balance & Agility Training
THUR 4th APR: TOURNAMENT DAY!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rickball Cricket Athletics Benchball 	THUR 11th APR: BOUNCY CASTLE DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bouncy Fun Coach Challenge Games Creative Sports Castle Dodgeball

Welcome to our Easter Sports Camp Schedule!
Each day you can expect a number of different themed sports, games & activities, as well as even more Easter themed activities!

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