



Monday 1st July

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Welcome from the Headteacher

The last two weeks have been really special for the children at Roebuck. The children really enjoyed Sports Week, with a huge range of outside sports providers, inspiring the children with their sessions. This was followed by Amanda Jewitt, the artist, who worked with the KS1 and KS2 children and inspired them to produce some imaginative sculptures. We have planned a Gallery event on Thursday where you are invited to view the KS1 and KS2 children's sculptures in the hall. Doors will open from 3.15 and you are all welcome. Many thanks to Ms McAnuff for organising the artist and the after school event



Last week also saw the whole school enjoy Sports Days. These were well attended by parents and enjoyed by the children. Many thanks to staff members who manned the refreshments stall and also to Mr Kalaiarasu for running such well organised and fun sports days.

Pupils also experienced MasterChef last week, with Years 1, 2 and 3 making their various dishes. This week sees the other classes plan out and cook their menus.

Disco

Friday sees the RSA Summer term Disco. Please see the flyer on the last page of this newsletter for details.

Key Dates

1/7/24 to 5/7/24
Year 6 Bikeability

2/7/24
Year 4
masterchef

3/7/24
Year 3 and 4
rounders festival

3/7/24
Year 4 Paradise
Wildlife trip

3/7/24
FitKidz in

4/7/24
KS1 and KS2 Art
Gallery for parents

5/7/24
RSA School disco

8/7/24
Nursery Stand
A lone Farm tri
Parent training

8/7/24
New to Year 6 and
Year 2
Parents meeting

10/7/24
New to Year 1 and
Year 3
Parents meeting

11/7/24
New to Year 4 and
Year 5 parents
meeting

11/7/24
Moving up
morning



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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

94.2%

96%

Attendance percentage we aim for every week

Attendance Awards



Oak and Willow 98%



Sycamore 96.7%



Maple and Birch 95.7%

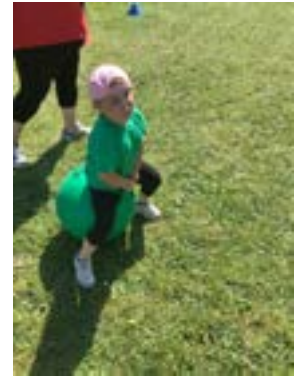
The winning class(es) will receive an additional playtime this week as a reward. Well done to Oak and Willow Class who had 98 % attendance!



Nursery Chestnut and Acorn

This week in Nursery all the children had a great time taking part in Sports Day! All the children moved around the carousel of activities and ended the morning with much anticipated running races.

It was lovely to see all the parents cheering us on and thank you to everyone who stayed for a picnic lunch.



Reception Oak and Willow

At the beginning of this half-term the children were very excited to find caterpillars in their classrooms! The children have been fascinated to watch the caterpillars grown ten times their original size! We then observed the caterpillars form a chrysalis and waited patiently for our caterpillars to finally emerge as butterflies. We have spent the last few days observing the butterflies in their tent, and today we set them free. We had a lovely time watching the butterflies leave their tent and fly away to start their life cycle all over again! At Roebuck, we are scientists!





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Elm & Maple

Year 1 had the best time at Hertfordshire Zoo last week! As part of our topic we have been learning all about animals and it was AMAZING to see so many animals up close! We attended a Camel talk and heard all about how they store fat in their humps. We got up close and personal with an Emu and other Australian animals such as wallabies and kookaburras. Our favourite part of the day was watching the Bird show!

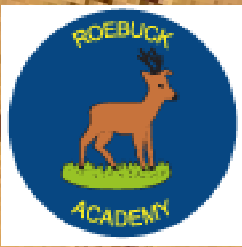
We also really enjoyed our Masterchef day this week and creating healthy fruit smoothies. Perfect for the summer!



Birch & Pine

Wow! What a busy two weeks year 2 have had. We have had Sports week, Sports day, Masterchef and Art day! We have learned lots of new skills and tried new things! It has been lovely to watch the children take on new challenges and work together to achieve different tasks. For Art day we worked with an artist to produce clay frogs and lily pads inspired by Monet. For Masterchef, we made vegetable soup. For some this was the first time we had tried it and we found it really tasty!





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Cherry & Pear

Wow! Year 3 have been very busy the last few weeks, getting stuck into new learning opportunities. We all took part in a range of sporting activities such as; archery, rugby, athletics, football and cricket! We had to work as a team, communicate and most importantly, ENJOY!

To begin our week, we took part in Master Chef. We tried new seasonal vegetables, chopped, rolled and spread ingredients to make a vegetable tart. They were delicious!



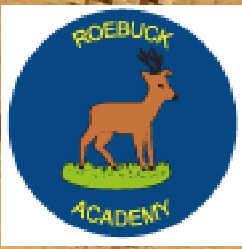
Cedar & Rowan

In maths, year 4 have been developing their knowledge and skills in geometry with a focus on symmetry. We have really enjoyed using practical activities and games to explore concepts linked to solving problems involving shape and symmetry.

Year 4 thoroughly enjoyed sports and arts week. Where the sport was unfamiliar to us, we enjoyed being able to try something new and for those who had some knowledge it was a time to shine with some pupils even being chosen to demonstrate high quality sports skills and knowledge! The Year 4 staff were certainly very proud to see the teamwork, resilience, respect and growth mindset demonstrated by Year 4 children during sports week.

Our Year 4 pupils also relished their art workshops with visiting artist Amanda Jewitt and have produced some wonderful clay sculptures linked to messages about protecting Earth's precious marine life. We are looking forward to showcasing our fantastic sculptures along with the rest of the school at our Roebuck Art Exhibition on Thursday 4th July after school.





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Juniper & Sycamore-Sports, sports and more sports.

You name it, Year 5 have done it in the last two weeks. From clubbercise to boxing we have had an amazing 2 weeks of sporting activities. Sports week was fantastic, the children took part in various activities with a number of coaches from local clubs. This was followed up by sports day! Mr K did an amazing job of setting up the carousel of things to do and Year 5 smashed it! This was followed up by some really good races. Both classes showed great sportsmanship and a resilient attitude towards the day.



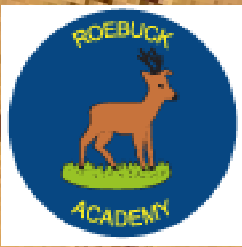
We have been lucky enough to also have artist, Amanda Jewitt, visit us and help us create some bee inspired sculptures using clay. We had great fun rolling it out, cutting it up and moulding it into all sorts of different shapes. It was an experience enjoyed by all. Our finished products will be on display Thursday so make sure you come to sneak a peek.



Ash and Elder

On Monday, we had a Circus workshop all about tricks (hula-hoops, walking on stilts, Diablo and much more). On Tuesday, we went on a school trip to Hazard Alley in Milton Keynes (which was a building full of life-threatening scenarios: what to do if someone is drowning; how to stay safe by a railway line and what to do in the event of a fire). On Wednesday we did Fit kids, which was a circuit of activities: weight lifting, trampolining and balancing. On Thursday, we were joined by Amanda Jewitt who helped us to make paper mâché houses out of willow and a LOT of tape. The houses were based on a multimedia artist called 'Owais Husain'. These finished designs will be displayed in our art gallery next month. Following on from our sport themed week, we also took part in a Boxing workshop where we started by practising stance and footwork followed by punches. We took part in rugby, we played touch (if we tapped the opponent with two hands they had to pass backwards from where they were). To finalise our sports week, we played Basketball (where we had a set of games that were shooting related) and Cricket (where we learnt how to bowl overarm and we played rapid fire cricket). On Monday, we did our writing all day about a letter to Lady Macbeth from Macbeth and played Rounders in P.E. Finally, after many failed attempts of rescheduling the Graduation Photos, we had them on Tuesday at 10am. On Friday, the whole of KS2 had Sports Day, where the four houses (Phoenix, Gryphon, Dragon and Pegasus), played against one another in a series of sporting events which was fun. Even the teachers enjoyed themselves when they sprayed us with water guns.





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Congratulations to the Lacrosse Team who came out victorious in the Stevenage Sporting Futures Lacrosse festival. They overcome some very talented teams to raise the trophy at Barnwell school.

THE RSA PRESENTS
DRESS DOWN DAY!!!!
last day of term
TUESDAY 23RD JULY
WEAR WHAT YOU WANT!
£1.00
 PAID FOR THROUGH SCHOOL GATEWAY OR CASH ON THE DAY.

Outside school achievements- Roebuck has Talent! Congratulations to Darcey who performed at the Gordon Craig Theatre recently having rehearsed for over 12 hours, before performing her singing and dancing. Lacymai and Mia who also performed on stage at their tap dance show. Both girls learned 6-8 different dances and embraced the stage together. Well done girls!



Aloha!
 THE RSA PRESENTS
LU'AU PARTY
FRIDAY 5TH JULY

- * 2.15PM - 3.15PM - NURSERY & RECEPTION
- * 3.15PM - 4.15PM - YEARS 1 & 2
- * 4.30PM - 5.30PM - YEARS 3 & 4
- * 5.45PM - 6.45PM - YEARS 5 & 6

£2.00 FOR NURSERY & RECEPTION
 £4.00 FOR K11 & K12

INCLUDES A LEI GARLAND, DRINK, SWEETS & SNACK
 PLEASE BOOK THROUGH SCHOOL GATEWAY