



Tuesday 6th May

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## Key Dates

6 /5/25  
Year 5 Airbus Trip7/5/25  
Year 3 and 4 Tennis  
festival7/5/25  
Year 4 Botanical  
gardens trip8/5/25  
VE day  
celebrations8/5/25  
Quick sticks  
festival9/5/25  
Netball match vs  
St Nicholas

## Welcome from the Headteacher

Welcome back to the Summer Term, which has started in wonderful fashion. Classes have already enjoyed a variety of enrichment activities and trips while Year 6 are busy preparing themselves for their KS2 SATS. The dates for the Summer Term have been sent out and it promises to be a busy Term with Sports week, Sports days and the Summer Fair.

### Summer Fair- Friday 27th June

The RSA are busy working behind the scenes to organise the first Summer Fair since before the pandemic. The event will start at 2pm and will include a number of stalls run by the classes and Year 6 and it promises to be a wonderful community event. More details will be sent out later on this half term.



### Asda cashpot update

We have had confirmation the amount that the school has raised for this, which was £604.80. Many thanks to the RSA for organising this.

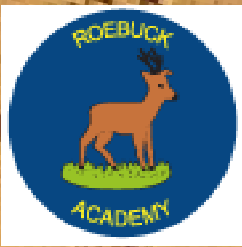
### VE day celebrations

We will be commemorating the 80th anniversary of VE day on Thursday with a Street party. Many thanks to all parents for providing the children for food for this event.

### Car parking

If you are fortunate enough to be permitted to park in the car park, please make sure that your engine is switched off and not idling.

9/5/25  
Football vs Lodge  
Farm12th-15th May  
Year 6 SATS week.23/5/25  
Y2 fantastic finish14/5/25  
Year 4 tag rugby  
festival15/5/25  
Girls football vs  
Ashtree16/5/25  
Boys Year 3 and 4  
football festival



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# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating another special week at our great school!

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

95.8%

96%

Attendance percentage we aim for every week

## Attendance Awards



Birch  
99.7%



Maple  
99%



Juniper  
98.3%

The winning class(es) will receive an additional playtime this week as a reward. Well done to Birch Class who had 99.7% attendance!

### Nursery Chestnut and Acorn

This week in Nursery we have been exploring our new topic 'The secret garden'.

We went on a walk around the school to observe how the plants are growing and changing. We made a collage using these found natural materials.

We have also been reading the story 'Jaspers Beanstalk'. We have been learning about the life cycle of a bean and what plants need to grow. We then planted our own bean seeds and we can't wait to see what happens to them!

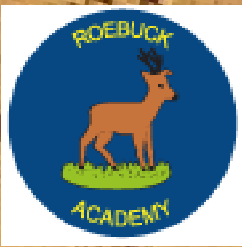


### Reception Oak and Willow

We have had a great couple of weeks in the sun in Reception!

We have met some new members of staff and showed them around our learning areas. We have also had a move around in the outdoor area. This means that we have created a space to use the balance bikes which has been very exciting! In Drawing Club, we have been reading the story of the 3 Little Pigs to fit in with our animal topic. We have had some great ideas to develop the story and capture the wolf! We hope that the nice weather continues and we can develop our outdoor area some more. We are looking for some donations to do this so if you are having a clear out and have any scooters or dolls prams which your children have outgrown we would really





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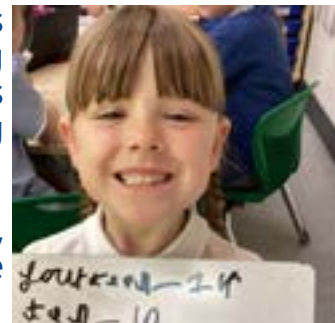
## KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE AT ROEBUCK ACADEMY IS OUR NUMBER ONE PRIORITY!

appreciate them! At Roebuck, we are explorers!

### Year 1 Elm & Maple

WOW what a busy start for year one! We have kicked off the term by learning all about Pirate Blackbeard in Literacy. We will be writing a non-fiction information book all about the Pirate Blackbeard. We even got to eat, drink and play like a pirate! In maths, we have been focussing on numbers to 40! Thinking about how many tens and ones there are to make any given number. To help develop our understanding of numbers, we have been using dienes and ones. We have been enjoying counting up in 10s and 2s using an interactive number grid and noticing the patterns! In science, we have been thinking all things plants. We went for a walk around the school searching for wild plants and identifying where they were growing.

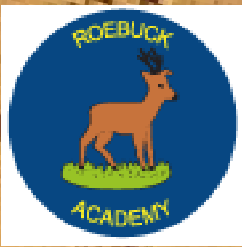
In History, our focus was Grace O'Malley- who she was, and what she did? We had fun ordering her life to make our very own timelines! In year one we are adventurous!



### Year 2 Birch & Pine

Year 2 have had a fantastic start to the summer term! On our first day back we discovered an egg in the playground. We looked at the school CCTV and discovered a dragon had come into school! We then used this experience to generate some amazing vocabulary and write our story 'George and the Dragon'.

In maths, we have begun our new topic of 2D shapes. We have been exploring their properties, such as vertices, sides and lines of symmetry. We have been learning how to sort them into groups and draw them correctly by plotting points.



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## Year 3 Cherry & Pear

This week in maths, we have been learning to tell the time on both digital and analogue clocks. Building on our great work in Year 2, we have worked hard to convert the time on the clocks to 12- and 24-hour time.

During our science lesson this week, we made good use of the beautiful weather and investigated how shadows were made. We discovered that we could create our own creative monsters and shapes using our bodies to block the light from the sun which then creates a shadow.



## Year 4 Cedar & Rowan

We launched our new Science topic called 'Human Impact' with an enquiry into pollution around our school. We carried out a litter pick and analysed the results. We found out that the most common waste was plastic with lots of this coming from wrappers from break time snacks. We discussed next steps that could help with this and created posters to remind everyone about the steps that we need to take to reduce this. In Maths we have enjoyed using our knowledge of measures for length mass and volume to convert and compare measurements and solve problems. In Literacy we have enjoyed designing hybrid characters and settings for our narrative writing based on the animation "The Lost Thing" and are looking forward to using these ideas in our next independent write.





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## Year 5 Juniper & Sycamore

Year 5 had a brilliant day at the Rugby Festival that was held at the rugby club. They spent the morning completing a number of different games which helped to build up their skills. These activities were run by sports leaders from local secondary schools. In the afternoon, we got the opportunity to play games against our own school before taking part in a fun tournament against other schools.

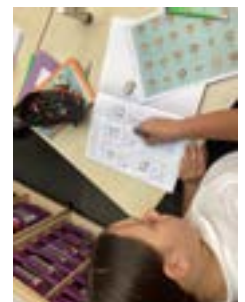


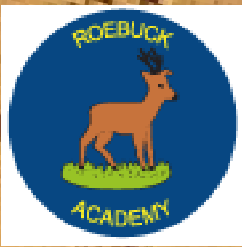
In science, we have started our life cycle topic. This week we found out about the different parts of the plant and how pollination happens. We found it interesting that plants have both female and male parts. We then went outside and looked at the plants growing in the allotment and found the parts of the plants we had learnt about.



## Year 6 Ash and Elder

Lately, in Year 6, we have been in 4 different groups as part of our SATs revision doing maths and guided reading. In maths we have been focusing on money, algebra, 3D shapes and many more. In guided reading, all 4 groups have been focusing on 2 texts called Raiders' Peril and The Amazing Octopus. We have been answering different styles of questions to help us get used to the questions we might be asked. In PE, we have been doing cricket and trying different techniques on how to bowl and how to aim. In history, we have been learning about The Mayas. We have drawn Maya symbols and even had a go at making a Mayan calendar.





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## Early Years Open Events

Dream - Believe - Achieve

Roebuck Academy... a truly great school!



Children at the heart of everything we do.



### Is your child due to start Nursery or Reception in September 2026?

If so, come along to one of our open events to find out more about our amazing school. You will be met by our Assistant Head, Mrs. Andreeana Barton and the rest of the Early Years team. You will have the opportunity to have an escorted tour of our lovely new school building and to ask any questions you may have. Roebuck Academy offers 30 hours nursery entitlement - this will either be free or paid dependent upon your entitlement.

We are now offering a second intake in our Nursery in January 2026 for children that are 3 before this date.

To secure a place on an open event, please contact the school office on 01438 311937.

Spaces are filling quickly so please book early. Dates are as follows and tours will start at either 10am or 4pm:

**Monday 9th June 4pm**

**Wednesday 11th June 10am**

**Monday 23rd June 4pm**

**Wednesday 2nd July 10am**

**Monday 7th July 4pm**

**Wednesday 16th July 10am**