

Tuesday 20th May

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Welcome from the Headteacher

It has been a very busy two weeks since the last newsletter and lots has happened at Roebuck. Classes have been busy with their learning and the children have enjoyed a variety of trips out to places like Airbus and the Royal Botanical gardens. Added to this Year 6, who were amazing in their approach to their National Statutory assessments- SAT's last week. Well done , we are so proud of you!

Summer Fair- Friday 27th June

Please let the office know if you are able to help support the RSA with any offers of help on the day of the Summer Fair or email at rsa@roebuck.herts.sch.uk



VE day celebrations

The children enjoyed the 80th anniversary of VE day with a street party. The weather was glorious and the children enjoyed the food supplied by parents as well as the war time music. Many thanks to Miss Leake for organising this event.



Key Dates

19 to 23 /5/25
Y6 Bikeability

19/5/25
Netball vs
Almond Hill

20/5/25
Y4 Golfway
festival

21/5/25
Juniper class
assembly

22/5/25
Sycamore class
assembly

22/5/25
Ultimate Frisbee
festival

22/5/25
Young carers
conference

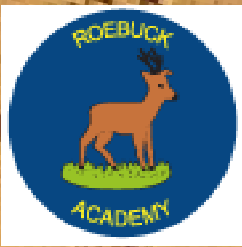
23/5/25
Virtual Author
Stephen Pass

26- 30 /5/25
Half term holiday

2/6/25
INSET DAY
children not at
school

3-13/6/25
Y4 Multiplication
Testing window.

4-5/6/25
Reception heights
and weights



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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

94.9%

96%

Attendance percentage we aim for every week

Attendance Awards



Ash
100%



Pear
98.1%



Juniper
97%

The winning class(es) will receive an additional playtime this week as a reward. Well done to Ash Class who had 100% attendance!

Nursery Chestnut and Acorn

This week in Nursery we have had a special delivery of caterpillars! We are watching them closely to see how they change over time.

We have been finding out all about caterpillars and what they need to survive. We have made a caterpillar cafe and filled it with leaves for them to eat.

The children have been busy making caterpillar leaves using paint.

Watch this space for a caterpillar update!



Reception Oak and Willow

In the last couple of weeks, we have enjoyed so much sunshine! It has been great to play with the new toys in our Outdoor Area. We have added some buggies and babies and new spinning dishes! We also celebrated VE Day with the school. We had a lovely tea party. In our classrooms, we made our own war medals and thought about the soldiers who died. At Roebuck, are historians!





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Year 1 Elm & Maple

We have been so busy again in year 1. We are enjoying our science topic of planting and have been looking at roots and discussing their purpose. We got very muddy in the out door area, looking at and exploring roots.

In maths we have been using part part whole models to help us solve tricky worded problems. We always use manipulatives to help us with our problem solving. We have been learning about Christopher Columbus in history and comparing his life to Grace O'Malley... The big question is... Were they both pirates? In year 1, we ask questions



Year 2 Birch & Pine

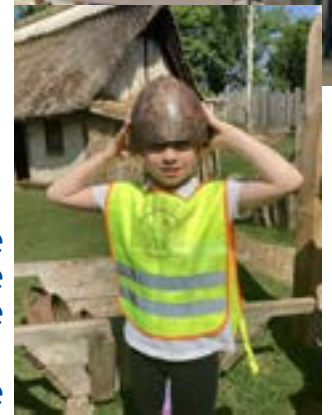
What a busy few weeks we have had in Year 2!

We had a fantastic trip to Mountfitchet Castle and experienced what life was like years ago. We enjoyed learning about knights and climbing up the watch towers. This has inspired our writing!

We also had a knights, kings and queens day, where we went to school dressed up. We learned how to sword fight, built catapults and met a real-life dragon!

We also celebrated VE Day and enjoyed a street party in the playground. We listened to music and enjoyed the party food!

Thank you to all the parents who joined us for our fantastic finish! We made our moving monsters and evaluated our final product.





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Year 3 Cherry & Pear

Year 3 have been busy this week designing and creating a cushion. They thought carefully about the different sewing techniques they wanted to use while designing. When creating their cushions, the children could apply their sewing skills from last year and develop the skill of cross stitch and applique. All of the cushions are fantastic and the children can't wait to bring them home!



Year 4 Cedar & Rowan

This week Year 4 have started their new Literacy topic. To begin with we have carried out lots of research on the digestive system and recreated the process by using food, orange juice to represent stomach acid, a plastic bag to represent the stomach, tights for the small intestine and a cup with an opening for the large intestine! As you can imagine, things got pretty gross! What a fun hands on Literacy lesson we had! The last couple of weeks have been very busy in year 4 with trips to a botanical garden and VE Day celebrations!





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Year 5 Juniper & Sycamore

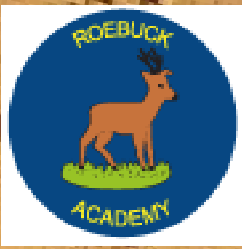
Year 5 had a fantastic day at the STEM centre at Airbus. We spent the day doing a variety of different activities. During the first activity, we learnt about the night sky and heard stories about how the star constellations were named. Next, we got creative and made a model of the earth, sun and moon that allowed us to demonstrate how they rotate and orbit. We also had the opportunity to view the Mars Yard test area, where we saw the prototype rovers that Airbus engineers are testing as part of the ExoMars project. An area that was enjoyed by everyone, was the Exploration Zone. Here we enjoyed using the AR sandbox, where you could make volcanoes erupt, used a robotic arm to build with boulders, gave each other electric shocks as well as exploring lots of other fun scientific exhibits.



Year 6 Ash and Elder

Year 6 have been working tremendously hard over the last few weeks in preparation for their SATs. They have been revising concepts taught throughout Year 6 and also recapping on ones from previous years. They spent some time teaching each other as 'experts' by sharing their understanding of key skills. In other areas of the curriculum, they have been learning about the Mayas. They completed a fact hunt about Maya writing, learnt how numbers were used and also created their own Maya masks. They also found out the production for this year: The Wizard of Oz.





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Dream catcher assembly

A huge thank you to RAF flight lieutenant Cezary Liszkiewicz for visiting our school especially today to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the end of World War Two. It was fascinating to learn about the importance of the different military forces and their ability to communicate effectively (by taking time to learn different languages) with colleagues from other countries and cultures.

A massive thank you to Mrs Mechelewska for organising the visit.



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FULL DAY **HALF DAY**

Amelie in Juniper has donated a signed book to her class/ the school library.

It is a collection of children's poems by her Auntie Sarah Ziman.

The book "Why did my brain make me say it?" has been shortlisted for Wales Book of the year! The family would appreciate as many votes as possible for the book. It's just one click on the BRIGHT PINK book.

<https://nation.cymru/culture/vote-for-the-wales-book-of-the-year-2025-peoples-choice-award/>