

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating another special week at our great school!

Tuesday 17th June

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## Welcome from the Headteacher

I can't believe that we are in the final half term of the current academic year. Last week saw Year 4 complete their Multiplication checks whilst Year 1 completed their Phonics screening. Well done to both year groups for the great effort they put into this.

We have a very busy few weeks planned with National sports week starting this week and sports days next week. Let's hope the British weather plays its part.

### Summer Fair- Friday 27th June

Just a reminder that the Summer Fair will be starting at 2pm on Friday 27th June. There will be lots of fun events and stalls being run during the afternoon.



### EAL Coffee morning

A huge thank you to the parents and staff who participated in the EAL Coffee morning last week. Once again thanks must go to Mrs Mechelewska for hosting the morning.



### Polite reminder

Please can you ensure you supervise your children on the way into school and whilst waiting for classes to open. Additionally can you

## Key Dates

16-20/6/25  
National Sports week.

16/6/25  
Netball vs Bedwell

17/6/25  
Y4, Y5&6 Athletics festival

18/6/25  
Reception trip to Shepreth

18/6/25  
Year 5 visit to Hitchin Museum

19/6/25  
3 Horseshoe Bowls club in Y5 & 6

20/6/25  
SSFT Fun in the sun festival.

23/6/25  
EYFS Sports day

24/6/25  
KS1 Sports Day

25/6/25  
KS2 Sports Day

26/6/25  
Science Day

27/6/25  
RSA Summer fair



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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

93.1%

96%

Attendance percentage we aim for every week

## Attendance Awards



Oak  
97.7%



Sycamore  
97.6%



Willow  
96.9%

The winning class(es) will receive an additional playtime this week as a reward. Well done to Oak Class who had 97.7% attendance!



encourage your children not to play on the climbing frame or play football on the playground before school or at the end of the day.

### Nursery Chestnut and Acorn

In Nursery we have been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. We started with five tiny caterpillars and watched them change over time into five very fat caterpillars! Slowly each caterpillar transformed into a chrysalis. We watched and waited and after two weeks we had five beautiful butterflies! We then released them in the Nursery garden.



### Reception Oak and Willow

On Thursday, we had a lovely time at our Fathers Day Event! We went out to the field and enjoyed challenging our male (and female) carers to lots of different sporting activities. These included running races, a beanbag stamp, target throws and more! Everyone had a great time and the competition was high! Thank you for attending, we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!





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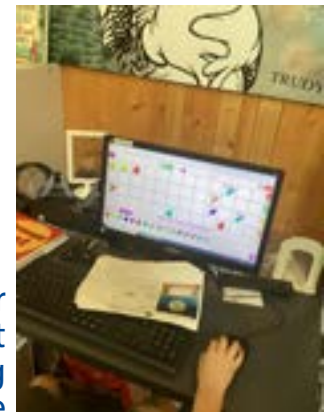
### Year 1 Elm & Maple

In Year One we love hands on, practical learning - and the past few weeks have been no different. We have kicked off our new art topic and have been learning all about sculpture. We made our own paper sculptures by rolling, cutting and shaping the paper. Our teachers were so impressed. In maths we have been grouping and sharing objects, to help us with multiplying and dividing. We are making sure our groups and parts are equal too. We have also been lucky enough to use the glockenspiels in music too. In Maple and Elm we are sculptors, mathematicians and musicians!



### Year 2 Birch & Pine

It's been a busy week back for Year 2! We are loving our new focus text in Literacy 'Clean up', which is all about looking after the environment. We learned about keeping the oceans and beaches clean and the impact it can have on animals. In maths, we have been exploring fractions. We have been finding halves, quarters and thirds. In science, we have been learning all about plants. We have reviewed the different parts of the plant and why they are important. We have also planted our own seeds! In computing we have been learning to compose our own music using 2 sequence on Purple Mash. I think we may have some DJs in the making!





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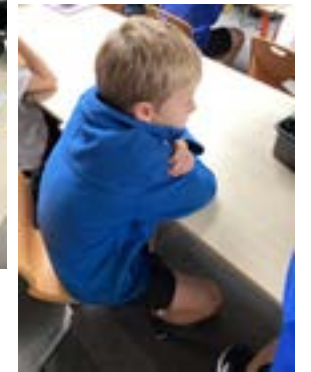
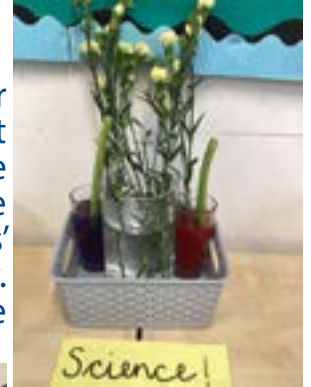
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## Year 3 Cherry & Pear

This week in Year 3, we have been investigating how water travels through a plant. We planned and set up an experiment which we will continue to observe over the next week. We can't wait to share our findings with you! During literacy, we have been looking at our new book 'The wolves in the walls' and pretended to be scared, just like the main character Lucy. We brought in our teddies from home to comfort us and make us think how we would feel and react if we were her.



## Year 4 Cedar & Rowan

This week, we have been Master Chefs. The children created their own seasonal crumble. They had to peel, chop, weigh and mix their ingredients. Children worked very hard and thoroughly enjoyed tasting their delicious creations.





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To start off our 2nd summer term, Year 5 have been immersing ourselves in our new topic on Victorians by using the street child in literacy to inspire a balanced argument about whether they think Jim should try and escape his workhouse or not. We have noted down the positives and negatives and created a conscience alley to help him make up his mind.

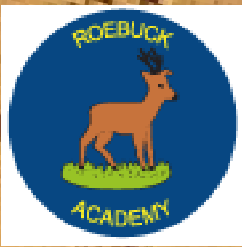
Also, we have had coaches visit from the Three Horseshoe Bowls club, who have come in to teach us how to play Bowls. On Wednesdays, we have been going out and taking part in a number of activities to improve before visiting the green in a couple of weeks.



## Year 6 Ash and Elder

Recently in Year 6, we have been focusing on our writing since returning from half term. The first text we looked at was dialogue between two main characters called Theo and Lana. We had to be creative and use our own ideas to think of what was happening in the story as it was in French. After, we planned the story for our Independent Writing; we then got to see the story with English subtitles to see what the characters were saying. In history, we have been learning about the Mayas and what things they do for entertainment. We experienced this by sacrificing someone in the class to be a victim by buying them (with red beans). We then put blue face paint on the victim and pretended to take their organs out. This is an example of what they would do for entertainment in the Maya civilisation. Every Tuesday, we will be practising for our production, (The wizard of Oz) by learning a dance from an outside dance coach who has choreographed some routines for us. Also, this half term, on Wednesdays we will be learning how to play a sport called bowls. The aim of bowls is to roll a ball very low on the floor and try to get your bowl closer to the jack. Finally, in Science, we have been learning about reflection and how we can use a torch to measure the angle of reflection off a mirror, how shadows can appear larger and smaller by altering the light source from an object and items that are transparent and opaque.





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## Sports update.

There have been a number of sporting events attended by Roebuck children in the last few weeks. Last week saw pupils take part in Boys and Girls Year 5 and 6 Cricket festivals as well as the Girls active play and the Year 3 and 4 Euro football festival. Notable performances were from the Girls Cricket who won the festival and will be representing Stevenage in the Herts Games and from our year 3 and year 4s getting a Silver Medal at the tri golf festival. Well done to all the children who represented Roebuck so well.



**FREE ENTRY**

# WALKERN Family Fun Day

Sunday 31st August 2025  
10am-5pm

Fundraising for Saffie's Sahara Walk for Retina UK

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**Bouncy castle • Football tournament • BBQ • Stalls • Games • Hertfordshire fire engine • Appearance from Bluey!**

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**RETINA UK**

We have been sent this flyer for the Walkern Family Fun Day, which is on Sunday 31st August and which aims to raise funds for Roebuck Pupil Saffie. The charity that is being fundraised for is Retina UK.