

# Springfield Primary School



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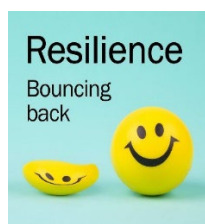
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Dear Parents & Carers,

I can't believe another month has nearly ended, although we have been fortunate to have spells of some sunshine & warmer temperatures which lift everyone & the KS2 children are pleased to be on the field! This is another bumper newsletter with lots to share and celebrate once again & I know many of you have enjoyed the opportunities to come into school recently and support your child. Thank you for your support for Macmillan Cancer Support, we raised £170.00 through our coffee, tea & cake sale last Thursday afternoon.



April's School Value: RESILIENCE

Resilience is:

- believing you can
- having a 'can do' attitude
- having a sense of humour
- making marvellous mistakes and learning from them
- being adaptable and flexible when things don't go as expected

Related values for Resilience:

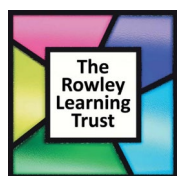
Resilience					
Confidence	Positivity	Ambition	Determination	Independence	Courage

## Year 3 – Building Rivers

Year 3 have had a brilliant time building rivers using recycled materials as part of their learning in Geography. They worked well as a team and created impressive models showcasing their understanding of a river and its different features. Well-done Year 3, we are super proud of the models you have created.

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Have a look on Year 3's class page to see the rest of the river models.

Building rivers was really exciting. I enjoyed painting and decorating the features.  
**Olivia – 3A**



It was a really fun lesson, and I liked that we could use our imagination.  
**Piper – 3B**



## Y5 Mini-First Aid



This week, Year 5 took part in a First Aid workshop. They learnt many different life saving skills and what to do if they themselves or their friends get hurt. Each class spent time in the hall and listened well, asking questions that were thoughtful and relevant. They also had a go at performing CPR in a safe and knowledgeable way.

*"Firstly, a lady named Kate taught us important information on what to do in dangerous scenarios such as – burns, major cuts, CPR and choking. She also told us what actions to use in these scenarios"* Tristan and Beau.



## Important National Statutory Assessment dates

Please ensure your child is in school on these dates if they are in the year group and do not book a family holiday, please.

**Year 6 – SATs – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

**Year 4 Multiplication Check – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

**Year 1- Phonics Screening check – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

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## UKS2 Online Safety



Monday morning, Year 5 and 6 had an important assembly about online safety. It was hugely informative and opened children's eyes to the dangers of their online activity. The children were told the age restrictions on the different online platforms and shown how easy it is for people to illicit information through asking seemingly innocent questions. Many of the children were able to give answers to the questions asked, but it gave them time to reflect on whether they themselves are following the rules.

*"We spoke about something called digital footprints. These are there so that anything you delete is still findable. Messages, videos and photos can always be found."* Evie

*"Learning about online safety is very important and knowing what scammers could do is beyond infinity. Apps like: Roblox, FC25 and Minecraft can resolve into strangers finding your location."* Marlia

*"I liked learning about how to keep safe online, the police officer showed us how Reggie was not a child on Fortnite, but he was a 49-year-old man with a criminal record"* Darcy

Please be aware that age restrictions for popular APPs are:

Roblox – 13 years old

Snapchat – 13 years old

TikTok – 13 years old

What's App – 13 years old

You Tube – 18 years old

## Important Dates for the Spring term 2025

As always, please remember these can be found on the calendar on our school website. This will be regularly updated.

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March** – Rock Steady Concert 2.30pm (invited parents/ carers only)

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** – Year 1 performance to parents KSI hall 9.30am

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April** – Nursery Easter Craft Workshops

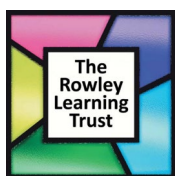
**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April** – KSI Spring celebration Assembly 9.30am (invited parents & carers only)  
EYFS Spring celebration Assembly 2.30pm (invited parents & carers only)

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April** – LKS2 Spring celebration Assembly 9.30am (invited parents & carers only)  
UKS2 Spring celebration Assembly 2.30pm (invited parents & carers only)

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April** – Reception, Y1 & Y2 Easter Bonnet/Hat Parade – KSI playground 9am

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KS2 egg decorating celebration- KS2 hall

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April – End of Spring Term

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April – School open to pupils

### Class Stars to date

A huge well done and thank you to the winners for the last two weeks, the winners had the VIP treatment including hot choc and biscuits in the staffroom in the company of Mrs Seddon & Mrs Bhardwaj:

	1A	1B	2A	2B
Wk end 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Lilah	Devon	Finley P	Leo
Wk end 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Amarildo	Trixie	Ella Rose	Marlon

	3A	3B	4A	4B
Wk end 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Kimberley	Brooke	Alfie I	Katie
Wk end 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Kodie	Charlotte	Joshua	Summer-Rose

	5A	5B	6A	6B
Wk end 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Mirko	Jacob T	Aukum-Lily	Finley
Wk end 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Sameera	Seth	Dante	Natalie

### Attendance

Well-done to the following winning classes **Ducklings, 3B, 4B & 6A** who had the highest attendance in the last 2 weeks. Special congratulations to Ducklings class who have won two weeks in a row. There is still a lot still to be done to achieve 96% whole school hopefully the improving weather will help reduce illness & ensure more children come to school every day. It would also help if the recent spell of chicken pox doing the rounds disappears too.

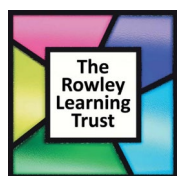
Well done to the following winning classes

Week 24 – 14<sup>th</sup> March – much improved 8 Silver tokens- 96% + awarded to ducklings, 1B, 3A, 3B, 4A, 5A, 5B & 6A. we had 3 classes on 99% so hopeful for some gold tokens next week!

Week 25 – 21<sup>st</sup> March – only 4 Silver tokens- 96% + awarded to Ducklings, 1B, 4B & 5A.

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	Week Starting 10.3.25	Week Starting 17.3.25
Nursery AM	85.20%	89.70%
Nursery PM	86.40%	89.80%
Overall Nursery	<b>85.70%</b>	<b>89.70%</b>
Ducklings	<b>98.60%</b>	<b>96.90%</b>
Owls	86.70%	94.70%
1A	93.90%	93.20%
1B	97.20%	96.60%
2A	95.00%	88.60%
2B	93.10%	92.40%
Overall KS1	<b>94.00%</b>	<b>93.80%</b>
3A	96.50%	95.50%
3B	<b>99.30%</b>	95.90%
4A	96.00%	88.30%
4B	93.70%	<b>97.70%</b>
5A	97.50%	96.30%
5B	98.00%	95.30%
6B	91.70%	93.00%
6A	<b>99.30%</b>	93.70%
Overall KS2	<b>96.50%</b>	<b>94.40%</b>
Whole School	<b>94.90%</b>	<b>93.90%</b>

### Polite Reminder

Please can we ask again that bikes, scooters and any other ride along toys are not used within the school grounds please to ensure the safety of other adults and children accessing playgrounds and the pathways that are extremely narrow in places. Thank you for your support in this.

### INSET days 2024- 2025.

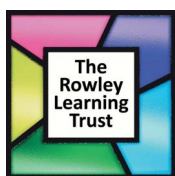
I wanted to share our planned INSET days with you for this school year, these are useful if you are planning holidays and if you need to make plans for childcare.

Monday 23rd June 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

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## Rights Respecting Update: Comic Relief

### Article in focus:

We will continue to build the rights into our daily school life this year. This will help build confident, independent pupils who have the powers to make changes to our world. There are 54 articles in total, which we will be working on in school. It would be great if you could speak to your child about the rights as it is important that both children and adults understand them.

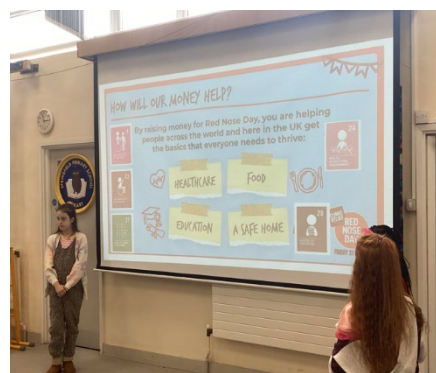


On Friday, we celebrated 40 years of Comic Relief and wow, did we party! Children and staff all came dressed for the occasion. We had superheroes, 80's divas and everything in between! On the day, we learnt about Comic Relief and linked this to our UNICEF articles.



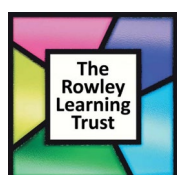
The afternoon was party time, which ended with our Rights Ambassadors leading a party assembly. We enjoyed singing along to Amarillo before having a dance off to an 80's classic; We Built This City.

Thank you for your support and together we raised £296.66!!



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## Afterschool Dance Club – Musical Theatre Dance Festival

On Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March, a group of pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6 took part in a Musical Theatre themed Dance Festival at Temple Meadow Primary School. It was a fun filled day full of dancing, performing and celebration. Throughout the morning, the pupils learnt different styles of dance, including a lyrical routine to the song 'Defying Gravity' from the very popular musical 'Wicked'. It was lovely to see the pupils take part and immerse themselves in a variety of dance styles, some in which they have never learnt before.

We were then given the opportunity to perform our own Musical Theatre themed dance where we stepped back into the 1950's and performed our very own choreography to a mix of 'Hairspray' songs. This is the routine the girls have been practising in our afterschool club every Thursday. Their performance was amazing,

we are so proud of every single dancer who stepped foot and performed in front of a

large audience. Well done girls! You were amazing!



The performance can be seen by clicking on this link;

<https://springfield-primary.primarysite.media/media/performance-of-hairspray-at-temple-meadow-dance-fe>



On Friday, we invited our Teddy bears to a picnic at school. We had fun pretending to shop for our picnic, making playdough cakes to take and writing shopping lists. Our Teddy bears were very well behaved, and the children made them all feel very welcome in Nursery.

We also tried to dress in red or 80s inspired clothing to support Comic Relief.

Well-done Nursery!

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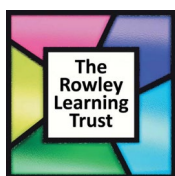


On Friday, Reception had lots of activities to do for Comic Relief and had important discussions about the charity's work and why helping others is so important. We loved seeing the children's fun outfits!



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## Severn Valley Country Park

As part of our Geography topic on Rivers, Year 3 had an amazing trip to the Severn Valley Country Park in Alveley on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March. The children blew us all away including the park rangers with their knowledge and understanding. They really embraced learning outdoors and took part in two ranger led activities including a river walk and fossil hunting. The children loved learning outside of the classroom and developed a deeper understanding of rivers in our local area.



My favourite part of the day was when we were digging for fossils. – Dario 3A  
It was a really fun day because we were learning outside. – Florence 3B

## Sandwell Primary Schools Girls League fixture – Springfield 4 – 4 Old Park.

On 13<sup>th</sup> March, Springfield Girls team took part in their first ever competitive match! It was the first time an all-girls team has represented Springfield, and the match was played in great spirit by both schools, with a shoutout to the members of staff, parents and carers and the Springfield boys' team who came along to support.

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Springfield goals were scored by Pixie and Skylar with a hatrick on her debut for the school! Springfield took the lead a few times in the game, but Old Park kept on fighting and got themselves back into the game to earn themselves a point. Although Springfield did not get the win the girls played with smiles on their faces and kept playing with determination right up to the final whistle. A special mention to Pixie and Marlia who played a half each in goal!

All members of the team are excited for their next match which is in the coming weeks!

Player of the match – All members of the team!



### Sandwell Primary Schools Boys League fixture – Summerhill 5 – 0 Springfield.

On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 3:20pm, Springfield played their first league match of the year against Summerhill. Sadly, we lost 5-0. Our starting lineup was Ted in goal, Brodan, Stanley and Nathan in defence. Midfielders of Finley and John and Jacob starting at striker with substitutes of: Cody, Riley and Alex. We started the game well and all members of the team played with confidence.

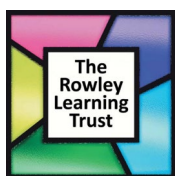
Stay tuned for more results to come in the coming weeks!

Player of the Match – Ted.

Match report written by John and Finley.

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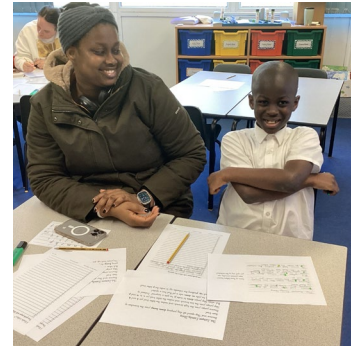
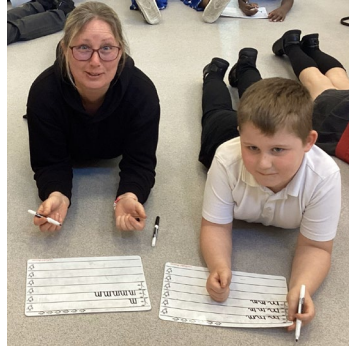


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## Year 3 Parent Workshop



Year 3 parents were invited into school on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March to take part in a Kinetic Letters handwriting workshop. It was an amazing turnout where so many parents got fully involved and learnt all the ways they can support their child. We started the workshop by explaining the importance of handwriting, emphasising how handwriting should be automatic for the children enabling them to focus on other aspects of writing. We then modelled a handwriting lesson and invited the parents to join in. It was great to see everyone actively participating, even when we asked them to get into the Gorilla and Lizard positions focusing on strengthening their core muscles. It was a fun morning enjoyed by all. Thank you for your continued support!

I also wanted to wish you all a Happy Mother's Day on Sunday, I'm sure your child will put a smile on your face & make you feel special. It is also the end of Ramadan this weekend too, so Eid Mubarak and enjoy your celebrations. I hope you all have a relaxing weekend with your families. As always, if you have any further questions/suggestions, please get in touch through the main office and a member of staff will respond as soon as possible.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs A Bhardwaj  
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