

Springfield Primary School



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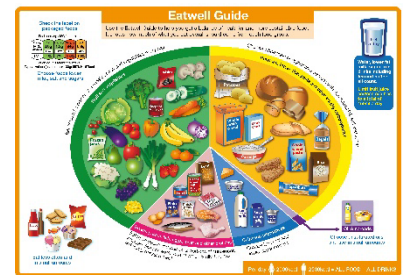
Friday 14th March 2025

Dear Parents & Carers,

The weeks are flying by, and we are already nearly at the end of the Spring term already! As always school has been very busy, and we have tried to capture a lot of the events here.

Years 3 and 4 Healthy Eating Workshop

On Friday 28th February, Years 3 and 4 took part in a Healthy Eating Workshop run by Nurses from the NHS. During the workshop, the children discussed the types of food which keep us healthy and the benefits they have on our body. They were surprised to learn the amount of sugar in different foods, for example in a small bag of Haribo, there are 5 cubes of sugar which is our daily intake! The children also shared ways in which we can keep healthy including different forms of exercise. It was lovely to see the children engaged and participating. They shared their knowledge and asked some interesting questions. Well done Years 3 and 4!

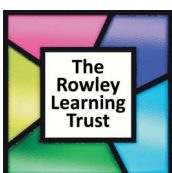


This is Sarah who works closely with school to support children with their wellbeing.

On Friday 7th March, year 3 and 4 parents were invited to an emotion coaching workshop – run by the team at Bedazzle. Bedazzle is a charity which offers social, emotional and mental health support to the community and they have been working closely with school to support our children with their wellbeing and resilience. The session was very well attended and

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parents commented about how useful the session was. Below is a link to the resources on our website from the event and a link to the Bedazzle website should you wish to find out more.

[Bedazzle Workshop Support | Springfield Primary](#)

[Bedazzle – Social, Emotional and Mental Health Support](#)



The day was great! I enjoyed making the story and expressing our imagination. We were here to learn about children's rights. I voted for the badges flourish, family and safety and they all feel very important to me. The council house was very fancy and grand. Everyone was super nice! We even talked to another school about the badges before we voted.
Lily P

As part of our journey to be a silver rights respecting school, our Rights Respecting Ambassadors visited Sandwell Council House on Wednesday 5th of March. Sandwell are working hard alongside UNICEF to become a child friendly community, and our group had the opportunity to share their ideas. They spoke with other school council members and even met the mayor! It was a wonderful experience and shows that our children can use their voices to make changes. The day ended with a vote, where all children picked their top 3 things that they believed Sandwell should prioritise first. We look forward to seeing the result in the next few weeks. All the children were wonderful ambassadors for Springfield and every adult they spoke to, commented on how confident and polite they were.

My favourite part of the day was making the story. For the vote, I voted family and belonging. We even entertained the council with our after-school club dance.
Holly H

I liked how we got to see the mayor of Sandwell and how we learnt more about rights. The thing I liked about the trip was how we got to make a story, and we got to vote and talk to different schools.
I loved the day!
Mackenzie

I learnt that every child has rights. My favourite thing was making a story. I voted for innovation which means try new things. I voted for this because you have to try new things to learn.
Aidan

I really enjoyed the story we wrote. We all voted for 3 badges. I picked education because you should learn different things. I also picked healthy because you need to eat good food to be healthy. I picked equal and included because other people with wheelchairs don't have swings and we need everyone to be equal.
Emily.

Today we went to Sandwell Council House to learn more and understand the rights. We even met the mayor! During the voting I chose equal and included because children with disabilities and younger ages don't get included and that is a item that needs to be fixed.

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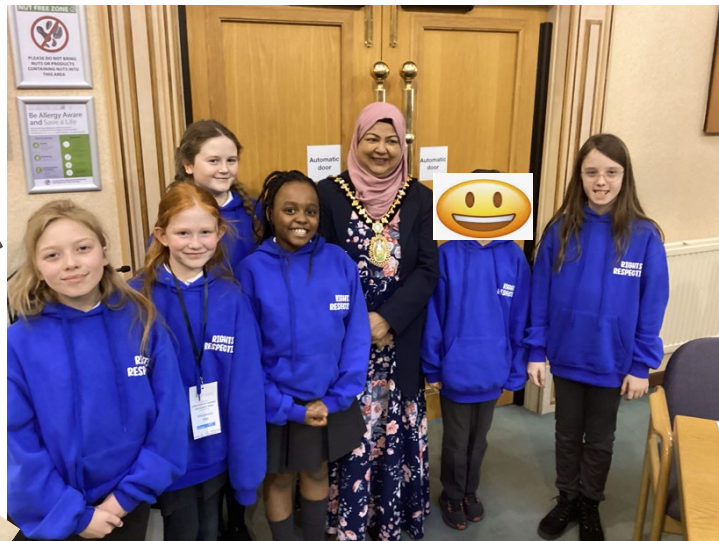
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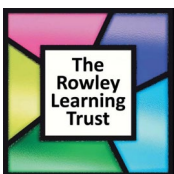


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Class Stars to date

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 28 th February	Mya	Elias	Evie	Sofia
Wk end 7 th March	Eva	Keira	Lexi	Logan H

	3A	3B	4A	4B
Wk end 28 th February	Logan O	Florence	Emily Jayne	Eli
Wk end 7 th March	Alaia	Sophie	Frankie-Lea	Hadyn

	5A	5B	6A	6B
Wk end 28 th February	Pixie	Harry J	Maja	Ryley
Wk end 7 th March	Jayce	Poppy E	Zion	Leighton

Attendance

Well-done to the following winning classes **Owls, 3B, & 5B** who had the highest attendance in the last 2 weeks. Special congratulations to Owls class who have won two weeks in a row and 5B who had 100% attendance & received a gold token. There is still a lot of work to be done to achieve 96% whole school hopefully the improving weather will help reduce illness & ensure more children come to school every day.

Well done to the following winning classes

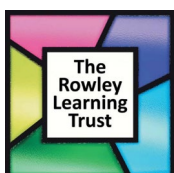
Week 22 – 28th February – much improved 6 Silver tokens- 96% + awarded to ducklings, Owls, 2A, 3B, 5A & 6A. & extremely excited to share a gold token – 100% attendance as a class brilliant- Congratulations everyone in 5B!

Week 23 – 7th March – 5 Silver tokens- 96% + awarded to Owls, 3A, 3B again, 4A & 5B. Also, special mention to 3A & 3B as they were so close to getting a gold token ending the week on 99% & 99.3% respectively.

	Week Starting 24.2.25 (INSET Day 24.2.25)	Week Starting 3.3.25
Nursery AM	94.90%	89.10%
Nursery PM	81.80%	79.10%
Overall Nursery	88.70%	84.50%

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Ducklings	96.60%	91.70%
Owls	98.30%	96.00%
1A	90.10%	92.50%
1B	95.70%	92.10%
2A	96.40%	91.40%
2B	89.70%	92.40%
Overall KSI	94.50%	92.70%
3A	94.40%	99.00%
3B	97.90%	99.30%
4A	95.00%	94.00%
4B	92.90%	94.30%
5A	98.50%	94.00%
5B	100.00%	98.70%
6B	91.20%	93.00%
6A	96.70%	92.30%
Overall KS2	95.80%	95.60%
Whole School	94.90%	93.90%

IMPORTANT INFORMATION Nursery 2025-26

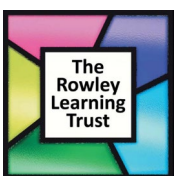
We are currently reviewing our nursery provision to ensure it is financially viable for September 2025 – July 2026. If you have a child that will be 3 years old during that time, please can you contact the office and register for a place. Looking at current numbers it is looking very likely that at best we will only offer a morning nursery which means the number of places may be limited.

A lovely time was had by all at the Year 2 Breakfast with books, for our World Book Day event. Many of you agreed it was a pleasure to spend time sharing a book with your youngsters. Here are a few photos but there are more on our class page gallery.



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It was great to see so many of you engrossed in your books and I think the breakfast goodies were a big hit too (Thank you Mrs Seddon).



During World Book Day, Springfield had a special guest... we were visited by the Masked Reader. As the school was enjoying a day of fun activities based on books, Cruella Deville and a Dalmatian were walking the corridors. When they arrived in the classroom, the mysterious Masked Reader then read a book for the year group to enjoy. Children were fascinated by the character and the messages the books were giving, alongside trying to guess who was under the mask.

At the end of the day, we had a big assembly to reveal who was behind the mask. It had been clear that some of the children were getting suspicious of different adults in school, so decoys were deployed to throw them off the scent. It was fantastic to see so many children engaged and sharing their love for reading. But who was under the mask? You will have to ask you child!



One activity that was particularly enjoyed by the children during World Book Day was some shared reading with different Year groups. Year 5 children each chose a book from the library and went up to Year 1 to share it with some of the younger children. It was lovely to see how well the pairs of children interacted with each other. After the Year 5 children had finished reading, the Year 1s were eager to show off



their own reading skills. Year 6 children had the opportunity to read with some of our reception children. Everyone had a fantastic time, and all children should be very proud of their reading skills and respectful behaviour.

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World Book Day

World Book Day this year was a day filled with fun and a celebration of Books. We started our day with Breakfast with books for year 2 – can I take this opportunity of thanking all the parents who attended and for making the session a success. We then had lots of reading activities taking place throughout the day: the older



children enjoyed sharing a book with reception and year 1, year 3 and 4 made potato book characters and top hats.

The highlight of the day, however, was a visit from our Masked

Reader who visited the classrooms to read a story. We ended the day with the big reveal – children chanting “Take it off” to reveal that our masked reader was in fact Mrs Etherington-Yorke – a big thank you to her for being such a good sport. Other photographs will be available on our class pages of the website.



Newsies at Dormston Mill Theatre

Our very own Dougie in Year 5 will be performing in Disney's Newsies JR – the musical at

Dormston Mill Theatre from Thursday 8th until Saturday 10th May. The musical tells the story of paper boy Jack Kelly and his friends who go on strike as the head of publishing makes it more difficult for the boys to make a “buck” selling their papers. It is a high energy show with lots of dancing.

Rehearsals are going well, and we wish Dougie the best of luck as he takes to the stage once more. If you want tickets to see Dougie and his friends, you can buy tickets from [#wbosy-newsies](#)



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 12th May – Thursday 15th May 2025

Year 4 Multiplication Check – Monday 2nd June - Friday 13th June 2025

Year 1- Phonics Screening check - Monday 9th June- Friday 13th June 2025

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Reception World Book Day Photos.



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.

Wednesday 19th March -Year 3 Parent Workshop- Handwriting

Thursday 20th March – Macmillan tea & cake Afternoon

Friday 21st March- Red Nose Day

Monday 24th March- Y3 Severn Valley Country Park River Visit

Wednesday 26th March- Year 5 Visit to Christian Heritage Centre- Egyptian's Workshop

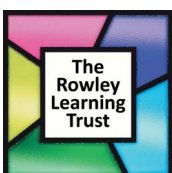
Thursday 27th March – Year 4 Visit to Black Country Museum

Friday 28th March- Year 5 Visit to Christian Heritage Centre- Egyptian's Workshop

Year 2 Parent workshop – Kinetic Letters

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

Thursday 3rd April – Year 1 performance to parents KSI hall 9.30am

Friday 4th April – Nursery Easter Craft Workshops

Wednesday 9th April – KSI Spring celebration Assembly 9.30am (invited parents & carers only)

EYFS Spring celebration Assembly 2.30pm (invited parents & carers only)

Thursday 10th April – LKS2 Spring celebration Assembly 9.30am (invited parents & carers only)

UKS2 Spring celebration Assembly 2.30pm (invited parents & carers only)

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

KS2 egg decorating celebration- KS2 hall

Friday 11th April – End of Spring Term

Monday 28th April – School open to pupils

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

Can I also remind you that the Macmillan, coffee, tea & chat afternoon is this **Thursday at 2.30pm**, I hope lots of you will drop by for a chat. Can I also ask that any sweet or savoury packaged manufactured items like biscuits, cakes etc are donated on Wednesday or Thursday please in readiness. 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

Headteacher

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