

Springfield Primary School



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Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to the new half term I hope you all had a good half term break? It was lovely to see a lot of you in school this week for the parent consultation meetings. If you didn't get the opportunity to make an appointment, please contact the school office or speak to your child's class teacher direct to arrange a different appointment.



Year 1 parents were recently invited into school to take part in a Phonics Workshop. The adults were introduced to Little Wandle Letters and Sounds, which is the schools Systematic Synthetic Phonics scheme, and were given information about how the scheme was run in school and tips on how they could support their child at home.

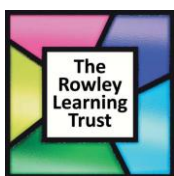
The parents were then invited to watch their child take part in their daily phonics lesson before being able to play a selection of phonics games with their child. The children loved having their adults in school to share their learning!

More help to support your child with their phonics and reading can be found at <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>



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Rights Respecting Update:

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.



Before half term, we marked Safer Internet Day in school. This year the focus was online scams. Keeping safe online, is an important skill and this links to many of the rights:

- Article 17, Access to information from the media - Every child has the right to reliable information from a variety of sources and governments should encourage the media to provide information that children can understand. Governments must help protect children from materials that could harm them.
- Article 19, Protection from violence, abuse and neglect - Governments must do all they can to ensure that children are protected from all forms of violence, abuse, neglect and bad treatment by their parents or anyone else who looks after them.
- Article 34, Sexual exploitation - Governments must protect children from forms of sexual abuse and exploitation.



We are looking forward to celebrating the rights in school this half term with lots of days such as World Book Day, Comic Relief and our Easter celebrations.

Class Stars to date

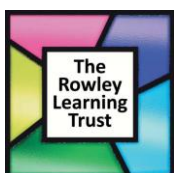
A huge well done and thank you to the winners for the last two weeks, the winners had the VIP treatment including hot choc and biscuits in the staffroom in the company of Mrs Seddon & Mrs Bhardwaj:

	1A	1B	2A	2B
Wk end 7 th February	Tillie	Lilly-Mae	Muhammad	Amelia
Wk end 14 th February	Alex	Keegan	Mahira	Micah

	3A	3B	4A	4B
Wk end 7 th February	Godsdelight	Elijah	Gracie	Erin

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Wk end 14th February	Isla	Conor	Carmel	Billie-Jai
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	5A	5B	6A	6B
Wk end 7 th February	Leo	Poina	Meisha	Dillon
Wk end 14th February	J'Hah-Lay	Alpie B	Remel	Emma

Attendance

Well-done to the following winning classes **Owls, 2A, 5B & 6A** who had the highest attendance in the last 2 weeks. Fortunately, our attendance has improved from the lows of 92% in the last newsletter however we still need to continue to strive to hit 96% whole school hopefully the improving weather will help reduce illness.

Well done to the following winning classes

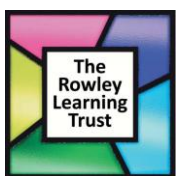
Week 20 – 7th February – much improved 4 Silver tokens- 96% + awarded to **IB, 2A, 4A & 6B**

Week 21 – 14th February – one more 5 Silver tokens- 96% + awarded to **Owls, IB again, 4A, 5B & 6A**

	Week Starting 3.2.25	Week Starting 10.2.25
Nursery AM	87.80%	84.60%
Nursery PM	73.00%	87.30%
Overall Nursery	80.80%	85.80%
Ducklings	83.10%	95.90%
Owls	82.70%	97.00%
1A	91.90%	90.70%
1B	92.0%	96.60%
2A	98.90%	95.40%
2B	90.00%	92.10%
Overall KSI	90.50%	94.70%
3A	86.50%	94.80%
3B	93.30%	92.30%
4A	93.70%	94.30%
4B	94.00%	93.30%

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5A	94.40%	92.00%
5B	95.30%	96.30%
6B	94.80%	92.40%
6A	91.70%	98.00%
Overall KS2	92.90%	94.30%
Whole School	91.30%	94.00%

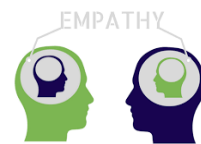
Reception Number Day



March's School Value: EMPATHY

Empathy is:

- The ability to understand and share the feelings of someone else
- Using that understanding to do something to help them



Related values for Empathy:

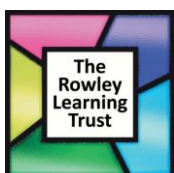
Empathy					
Kindness	Forgiveness	Generosity	Teamwork	Acceptance	Consideration

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.

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RB Gym & Sport Gymnastic Festival



On Friday 7th February, several Year 5 and 6 children were given the opportunity to take part in a Gymnastics festival lead by RB Gym and Sports. It was a fantastic afternoon, where children were able to experience different apparatus and challenge themselves to try things they have not done before. There was a circuit



of activities, including beam, floor, parallel bar, asymmetric bar and trampoline. The behaviour of the children was exemplary, and they were a brilliant showcase for Springfield.

"At Earl's Academy, we had so much fun going on the bars, trampolines, bouncy slide and more. On all the activities, we had a worker helping us. My favourite was going on a trampoline as we did exercises and then jumping into a foam pit. I'm so happy I went!"
Poppy K



"It was so much fun at Earls. I loved all the activities but my favourite was the handstands because I can do lots of things like handstand into Rolland handstand into bridge. I think it is so good that you get a free trial session. I really enjoyed this and would love to go again." Darcy P

5B's Newest Addition

Over the past few weeks, we have had a new addition to 5B classroom – our very own Jeff the seagull! This mischievous, intrigued bird has been watching the children who have been very busy learning. Over the past few weeks, he has learnt all about Ancient Egypt, decimals in Maths and even attempted to speak French this week! Watch this space – I'm sure Jeff will be finding a seat in the classroom soon!

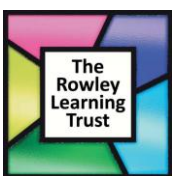


Children's Mental Health Week- 3rd February

Last week the children took part in Children's Mental Health Week. The theme this year was 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself.' During our PSHE lessons the children took part in activities and discussions which encouraged

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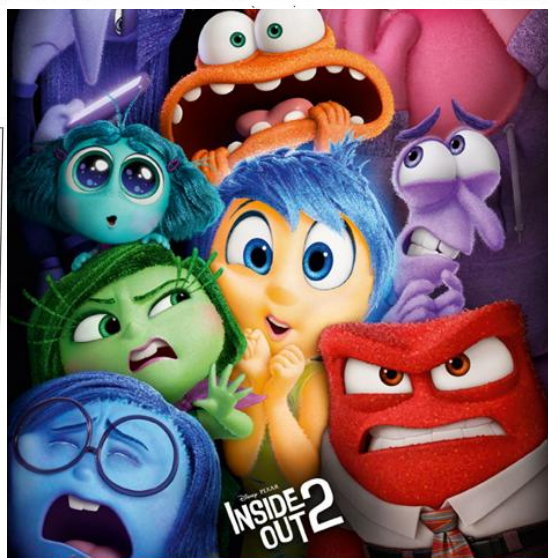
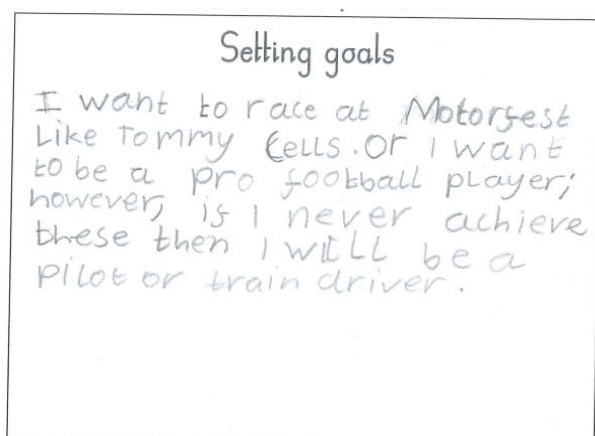
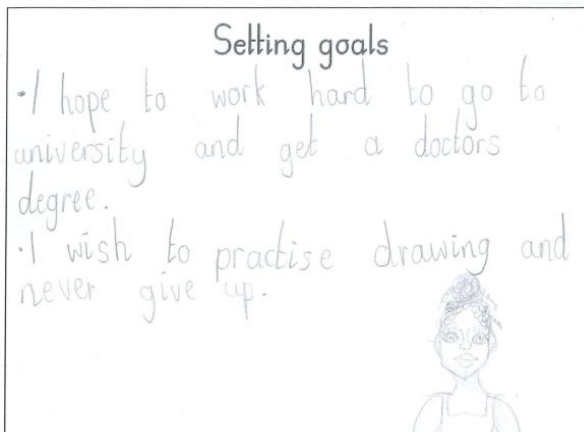
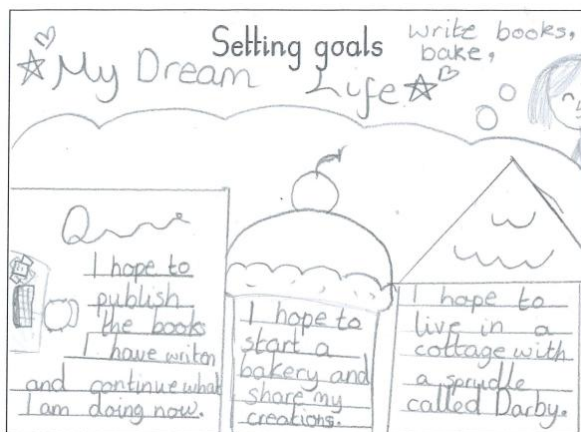
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the children to discover how getting to know who they are can help to build resilience, grow and develop. Mental Health and Wellbeing are very important to us at Springfield Primary, so it was lovely to see everyone embracing the week.

Year 6

Place2Be has linked this year's theme to the Disney film 'Inside Out'. The film supported discussions regarding emotions and understanding ourselves in order to grow. Setting goals for our future helps us get to know ourselves and each other. It helps us focus on our hopes, dreams, and what we believe we can achieve.



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.

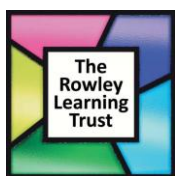
Year 6 – SATs - Monday 12th May – Thursday 15th May 2025

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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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.

Thursday 6th March -World Book Day

Breakfast with books- Y2 -Parents invited-

Wednesday 12th March – Owls parent Workshop- Talk for Writing

Thursday 13th March- Ducklings parent Workshop- Talk for Writing

Y5 First Aid Workshops

Wednesday 19th March -Year 3 Parent Workshop- Handwriting

Thursday 20th March – Macmillan tea & cake Afternoon

Friday 21st March- Red Nose Day

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

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

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

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

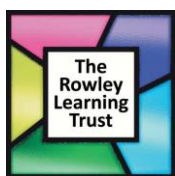
Number day fun

Thank you all for your support in our recent 'Dress up for digits' on Number Day, before we broke up. There were some fantastic original and creative costumes. The children had great fun cracking codes and investigating number problems all the way through school from Nursery to year 6. We raised a total of £152.39 for the NSPCC charity too!

Here are a few photographs from the day but there may be more on your child's class pages on the website.

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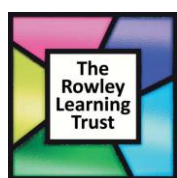




Year 5 Spring Production – Ancient Egypt

On Thursday 13th February, children in 5A and 5B performed an historical show to their parents. To support our topic (Ancient Egypt) the children explored life in Ancient Egypt through eager children who have joined a Young Archaeologists' Club (YAC). As they took part in an archaeological quest, they entered different scenes from the world of Ancient Egypt and solved clues to uncover the life.

The children and staff spent an incredible amount of time rehearsing for this showstopping show and they did not disappoint! You name it we had it: our very own informative YAC leader; our eager YAC children; Egyptian dancers; a very impressive Pharaoh and his wife and not to mention the one and only Anubis!



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As you can see in the photos, year 5 shone throughout the performance, which was noticed by many parents. They made the entire Year 5 team extremely proud – well done!

Internet Safety Week – Year 6 explored the theme too good to be true,

People can see what he looks like

He has a lot of personal information on his account like his age, school and football team.

Someone's trying to get him to go onto website

There's someone trying to make contact outside of the game

These aren't secure passwords

There's a scammer trying to scare you into get software that will give your computer a virus.

Lucky winner scam – contact that was not expected.

Gems scam. Can get 'free' gems.

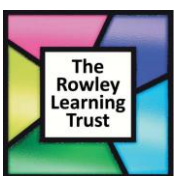


Games Day

10 of our KS2 pupils attended the SEND games day at Tipton Sports Academy on 27th February. It was a full-on day, and we tried many new activities to include Archery, Bhangra dancing, Cricket, Judo and Table Tennis. Our children were a credit to the school with their behaviour and manners, we thoroughly enjoyed all that was on offer. A big thanks to Mrs. Etherington-Yorke and Mrs. Barker for helping make the day run smoothly. Mrs. McMahon.

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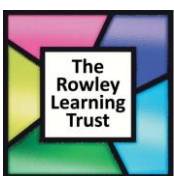
Finally, as it is a new half term if you have had any change in circumstances that may mean you are now eligible for your child to have free school meals or possibly you have changed your contact details e.g. new mobile number, please contact the school office so we can help you and update our school records. Thank you.

I hope you all have a relaxing weekend with your families and Ramadan Mubarak. 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
A Bhardwaj
 Mrs A Bhardwaj
 Headteacher

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