

Springfield Primary School



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Dear Parents & Carers,

Another busy two weeks appears to have flown by, and the first week of February is completed already. This week in school we have been focusing on Children's mental health week. We also celebrated NSPCC National number day today and a small group of our Y5 & Y6 represented Springfield at a Gymnastic festival today. More about these in the next newsletter published on February 28th February. I would also like to say congratulations and thank you to the wonderful Mrs Perry, currently 3B's teaching assistant as she has just completed 25 years service as an employee, all these years have also been here at Springfield Primary school, I can't begin to imagine how many children & families she has helped in her time here.

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.



This week we have marked Children's Mental Health week, with this year's theme being: Know yourself, Grow yourself. This links to many of the Rights including Article 24.

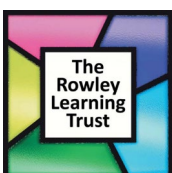


Article 24 - Health, water, food, environment

Children have the right to the best health care possible, clean water to drink, healthy food and a clean and safe environment to live in. All adults and children should have information about how to stay safe and healthy.

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We have also celebrated Number Day. This not only gave us the opportunity to have fun with numbers but also to raise money for the NSPCC. By doing this, it empowers our children to become change makers and to know they can make a difference to our world! This links to:



Article 19 - Protection from violence

Governments must protect children from violence, abuse and being neglected by anyone who looks after them.



Article 29 - Aims of education

Children's education should help them fully develop their personalities, talents and abilities. It should teach them to understand their own rights, and to respect other people's rights, cultures and differences. It should help them to live peacefully and protect the environment.

February's School Value: REFLECTION

Reflection is:

- Thinking carefully about our learning and actions
- Getting to know our own strengths and weaknesses.
- Looking back and thinking about how we acted and how we could have acted differently.



Related values for Reflection:

Reflection					
Honesty	Grateful	Mindfulness	Thoughtful	Patience	Calmness

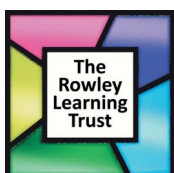
Class Stars to date

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:

	IA	IB	2A	2B
Wk end 24 th January	Jayden	Roohbani	Ismail	Isla

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Wk end 31st January	Millie	Josie	Ruby	Finley N
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	3A	3B	4A	4B
Wk end 24 th January	Meg	Florence	Brandon	Goodness
Wk end 31 st January	Aoife	Jessie	Emmie	Charlie

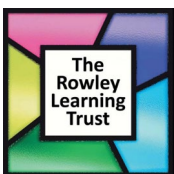
	5A	5B	6A	6B
Wk end 24 th January	Tayba	Ronnie	Alice	Isabelle B
Wk end 31 st January	Keira	Ellie-May	Luca	Lily

Attendance

	Week Starting 20.1.25	Week Starting 27.1.25
Nursery AM	85.40%	95.90%
Nursery PM	81.10%	69.10%
Overall Nursery	83.30%	83.30%
Ducklings	97.90%	92.40%
Owls	92.70%	90.70%
1A	90.70%	91.10%
1B	94.80%	99.30%
2A	95.20%	96.10%
2B	92.00%	91.70%
Overall KSI	93.90%	93.50%
3A	93.90%	94.50%
3B	94.70%	95.30%
4A	88.30%	94.30%
4B	92.30%	92.70%
5A	94.40%	94.40%

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5B	89.70%	92.00%
6B	91.70%	93.10%
6A	92.70%	93.30%
Overall KS2	92.20%	93.70%
Whole School	92.40%	93.10%

Well-done to the following winning classes **Ducklings, 1B & 3B** who had the highest attendance in the last 2 weeks. Unfortunately, our attendance has really slipped from **95.2%** in the last newsletter as there has been a lot of illness, so I am hoping these will pass soon & with your support let's see if we can get back to that figure whole school again.

Well done to the following winning classes

Week 18 – 24th January – only 1 Silver token- 96% + awarded to **Ducks**.

Week 19 – 31st January – 3 Silver tokens awarded 96%+ awarded to **1B, 2A & 4A**

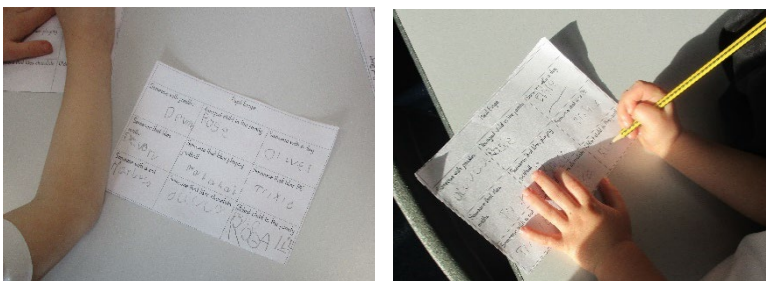
Children's mental health week

This week was Children's Mental Health week. The theme this year is 'know yourself, grow yourself' which is all about building and growing resilience by understanding ourselves and recognising our emotions.

Year 1 – Pupil Bingo

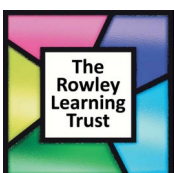
As part of our mental health week activities Year 1 played 'Pupil Bingo'. We moved around the classroom and asked our classmates questions such as 'have you got a dog' and 'do you enjoy maths' to find out more about them and to complete our 'Bingo boards'.

After, we discussed the new things we had found out about our friends and how making connections with other people in the class made us feel happy. We realised that we don't always know everything about everyone and whilst we are all different, we also have many similarities.



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Reception Gingerbread Man Learning.



Reception have been learning the traditional tale of 'The Gingerbread Man'. We have used Talk for Writing techniques to 'imitate', 'innovate' and 'invent'. As a fantastic finish, they enjoyed baking, decorating and eating their very own gingerbread men!

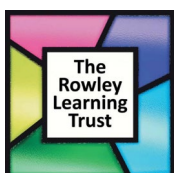


IMPORTANT INFORMATION Nursery 2025-26

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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More exciting news from Early Years!



We now have a fantastic new road marked out on the EYFS playground, with lanes, islands, zebra crossings, parking bays, and even our own car wash!

The children have been really excited by this new addition, and it is wonderful to see them so enthusiastic during their outdoor play.



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.

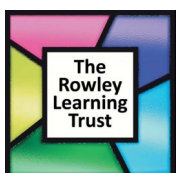
Year 6 – SATs - Monday 12th May – Thursday 15th May 2025

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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Year 4 Multiplication Parent Workshop

On Thursday 6th March, the Year 4 parents/carers were invited into school to take part in a Multiplication Workshop. The children and grownups had lots of fun taking part in multiplication inspired games/activities which even included a little healthy competition between the children and their grownups. It was a lovely morning enjoyed by everyone, it was so nice to see everyone getting involved and realising that learning your times tables can be fun!

For more information on what you can do to support your child at home to learn their times tables, take a look at the Year 4 class page.



"I really liked it because my Mum and Dad were there, which made learning my tables much more fun!"
Erin, 4B.



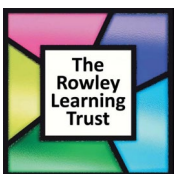
"I thought that the little games were good. I was a bit annoyed when my Dad got a higher score than me at times tables, so I'm going to get better!"
Jenson, 4A



"I thought that the times tables workshop was amazing because all of the games were fun, and my Mum also had a good time. I like that she helped my friends, Bethany and Isabella too."
Carmel 4A

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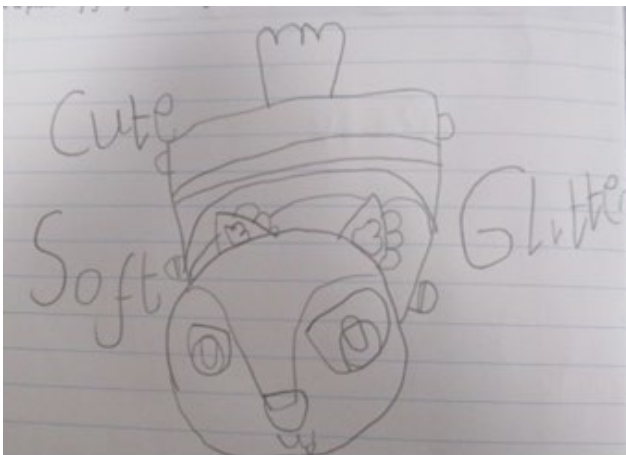


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Year 1 History work

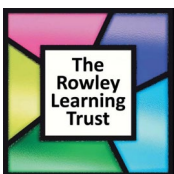


This week in Year 1 we started our new History topic 'Toys Now and Then'. To answer our first History Mystery 'what are toys like today?' we brought in our favourite toys to share with the class. We had a great selection of toys, from adorable soft penguins to super cool remote-control cars. We answered questions about our toys and had a go at drawing them. We then thought about whether children have always played with toys and decided to ask our grown-ups about their favourite toys.



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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.

Tuesday 11th February – Safer Internet Day- Too good to be true
Y1 Parents Phonics Workshop 9.15am

Thursday 13th February- Y5 Performance to parents- 9.30am

Friday 14th February – 4A first Swimming session until end of academic year

Half Term

Monday 24th February – **INSET Day 3** – school closed to pupils

Tuesday 25th February – School open to pupils.

Parent Engagement Meetings

Wednesday 26th February - Parent Engagement Meetings

Reception & Y6 Heights & Measures Check

Reception School Nursing Team- Hands & Teeth workshop

Thursday 27th February- Y5 Puberty Workshop- School Nursing Team

Y6 Emotional Health Transition to Secondary school Workshop- School Nursing Team

Friday 28th February – Y2 PANTS workshop School Nursing Team

Y3 & Y4 Healthy eating & Importance of Physical Activity Roadshow – School

Nursing Team

Thursday 6th March -World Book Day

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

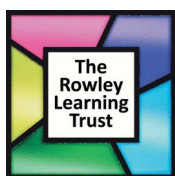
Monday 28th April – School open to pupils

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.

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Monday 24th February 2025

Monday 23rd June 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

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

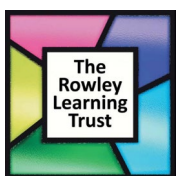


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