

Spring Term Newsletter

Head's Message

Another fantastic term had by everyone, it always seems such a short term after the Christmas one but boy, have we fit a lot in! We've had a 'Book Swap', many sporting events such as Kurling, football leagues and 'Mini Skills'. The children and families that attended Cr8ability had a great deal of fun-thank you for supporting that! The children have also had extra PSHE input from an additional agency called 'Inside Out' and also 'Safenet' have been in to support children's understanding around Online Safety. We had a visit from Ofsted, which was an incredibly positive experience and we are extremely pleased with our result. This shows how wonderful our children, families and staff are (though, we already knew this!). Ofsted were very impressed with the provision the children receive here – the report should be out very soon! I hope you all have a lovely Easter break and we will look forward to seeing you for our Summer

Term,
Miss Barber

Spring Term Wise Owl Winners

For consistently displaying the school's values.

Well done to:

Reception – Hannah Afzal

Year 1 – Rummana Patel

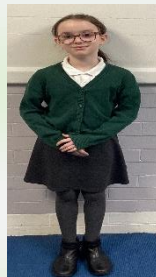
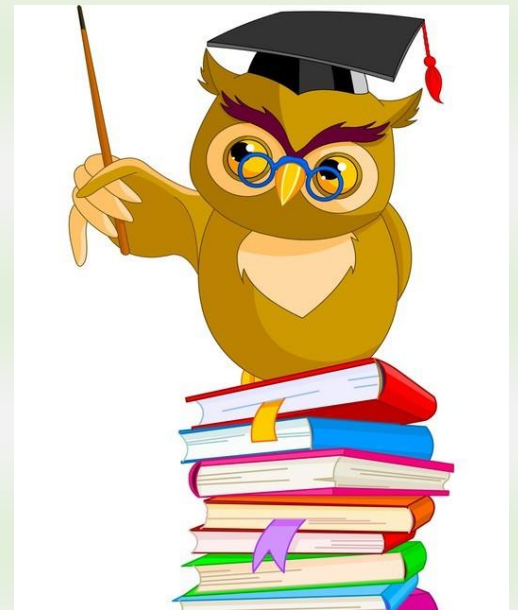
Year 2 – Sophie Nichol

Year 3 – Kiera Lacy

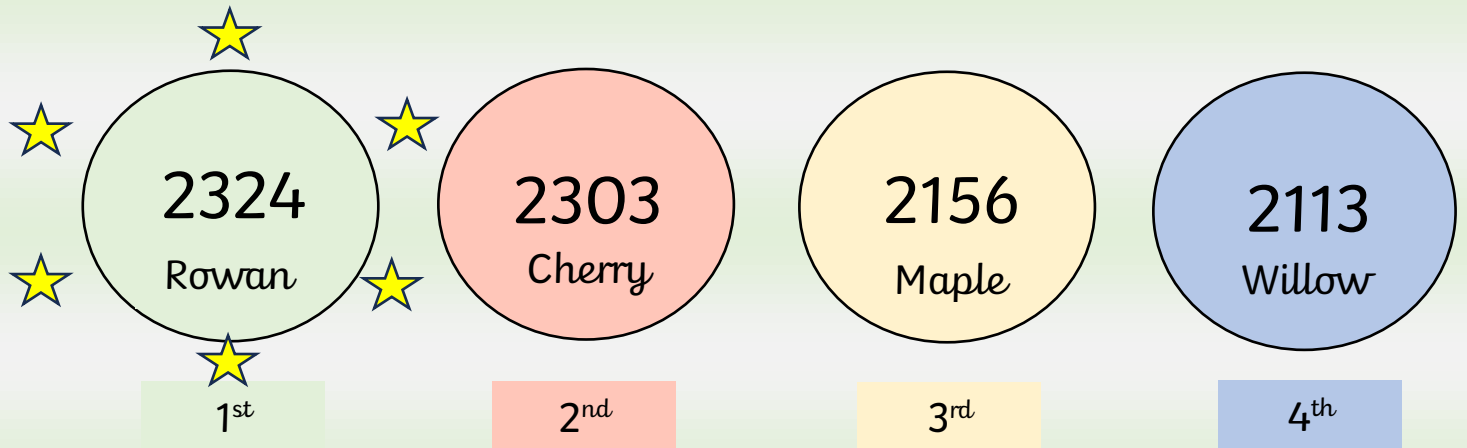
Year 4 – Cora Bellingham

Year 5 – Akosua Amoah

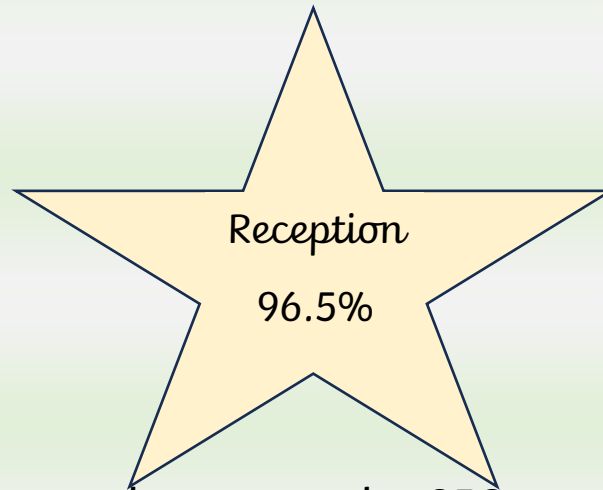
Year 6 – Isabel Blows



Our Team Point winners are:



Highest attendance point winners:



Well done – you have won the £50 voucher for your classroom!

Spring Term Class Percentages (as of Friday 22 nd March)	
Reception	96.5%
Year 1	95.4%
Year 2	94.7%
Year 3	94.2%
Year 4	94.6%
Year 5	94%
Year 6	94.9%
Whole School Target	95%
Our overall Spring attendance	94.8%

Our favourite Spring Term Moments

Miss Barber's favourite moment



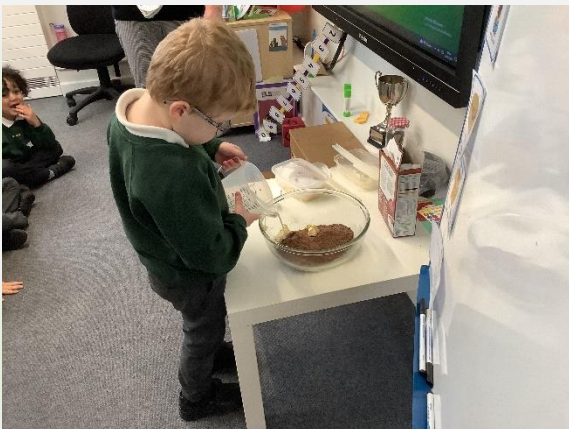
Cross Country
Some of our lovely Y6 children were selected to take part in a cross country event at Greenlands' Primary School. Miss Barber really enjoyed training them to get ready for the event. It was super tough and they did so well.

Pre-school

Our favourite moment this term has been taking part in our 'Chat, Play and Read' sessions with our special visitors, who came in every Wednesday to Pre-School!
We played games, read fantastic stories and shared songs and rhymes together.



Reception



Our children in Reception have been learning about Awesome Authors this half term including Roald Dahl and Oliver Jeffers. The children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the story – Matilda, they have brought the story alive by using acting in the school role play area, invented their own school, imagined super powers and also made Bruce Bogtrotters chocolate cake! The children have completed some wonderful writing including instructions on how to make a delicious chocolate cake.
Yummy!

Year 1

Year 1 Chipmunks have created their own fruit kebabs as part of their Design Technology project. They practised skills in cutting, chopping and dicing fruit into pieces (using safety knives) and choosing which fruits to use to slide onto the skewers. The children were keen to add other ingredients too such as marshmallows, and drip strawberry or chocolate sauce onto the kebabs to make them really yummy!



Year 2

This term we did lots of learning, but Year 2 particularly enjoyed our learning about Explorers. In DT we learnt about axles, chassis and wheels and explored their functions. The children created their own space buggies and really enjoyed using the hacksaw.



Year 3

This term in Year 3, we have been learning all about rocks. In this lesson, we learnt about sedimentary rocks and how they are formed. We used milk, dark and white chocolate to represent the layers of the rock and compressed these while adding more layers to create the sedimentary rock!



Year 4



Year 4's favourite moment of this half term was our Science day! The focus of our experiments was time. We have some potential future scientists in Year 4, as the children came up with great predictions! We created our own pendulums and looked at what would happen when we added more weight. We came to the conclusion, that the more weight we added, the slower the pendulum moved. We also looked at what would happen if we adjusted the length of the string.

Year 5

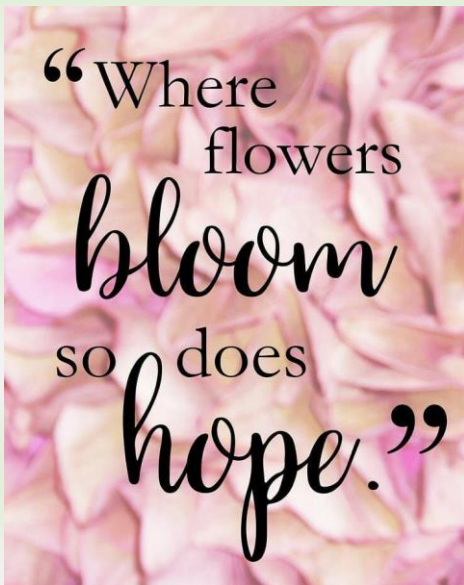
As part of World Book Day, Year 5 took part in a live lesson with illustrator for the Harry Potter book, Jonny Duddle. They produced some fantastic sketches of Hogwarts and showed real resilience and skill!



Year 6

In Year 6, our favourite moment in Spring term was our visit to Fishwick Primary School as part of a collaboration with the Maverick Hospital company. We were exposed to a multitude of activities that allowed us to immerse ourselves in the world of healthcare. One of the highlights of the day, was observing and participating in procedures such as taking blood samples, measuring heart rates, and conducting ultrasounds on veins. Not only did we enjoy the day immensely, but we also obtained valuable knowledge about various careers in the health industry.





We hope you have the loveliest of Easter breaks. Hopefully you'll get to spend some quality time with your children and family (and you'll get to eat some of their chocolate too 🥰). We are due to return on Monday 15th April at 8:50am for our Summer Term.



The Brockholes' Wood Team