



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

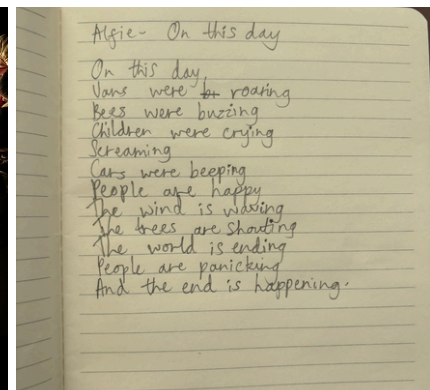
As we come to the end of the spring term, I want to share how proud we are of the children's hard work over the past two weeks. Last week and this week, pupils took part in a range of assessments across the curriculum. These included reading, writing and maths tasks, as well as opportunities to show their learning in the wider subjects. Staff have been impressed not only by the progress the children have made since the start of the year, but also by the resilience, focus and positive attitude they brought to each assessment. It has been wonderful to see their confidence grow and their efforts reflected in the results.

Thank you to all our families for your engagement during Parents' Evening and for the ongoing support you give your children at home. Your involvement makes a real difference, and we truly value the partnership between school and families.

Today's Easter egg hunt brought lots of eggs-citement and laughter, and it was a lovely way to celebrate the end of term together. We are now looking forward to our end-of-term picnic—hopefully the weather will be kind to us! Wishing everyone a happy, restful Easter break. **School reopens on Monday 13th April for the start of the summer term. Please ensure children arrive on time and ready for the learning ahead**

THIS WEEKS TOP NEWS - Poetry Retreat

From Monday to Wednesday, we took part in a poetry retreat at Gorsefield Rural Centre near Stansted, joining our two other partner schools for three days of creativity in the countryside. We spent time writing poetry, using nature and the peaceful setting for inspiration, and we also acted out our poems, building confidence and teamwork as we performed in small groups. Each day included moments to listen to and share poetry, helping us appreciate different voices and styles. Being with pupils from other schools added to the experience, giving us the chance to collaborate, make new friends, and learn from one another. By mid-week, we had already created a strong, supportive community of writers. The children are even becoming published writers! What a fantastic time.



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Whole school: **93.2%**
National: **95%**

Olive	97%
Pine	94%
Palm	93%
Rowan	93%
Maple	93%
Silver birch	92%
Ash	91%
Elm	91%
Apple	91%
Beech	89%
Mulberry	88%
Willow	88%
Cedar	85%
Oak	85%

Spelling Shed Groups

Top Spelling Shed Groups*

#	Group	Score
1.	Willow	26,479,728
2.	Ash	12,106,222
3.	Palm	6,046,450



STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to all our wonderful children on their hard work this week. The following deserve a special mention for receiving **Star of the week!**

Year 6: Macy, Jamillah, Emmanuella A, Zainab and Kylan

Year 5: Alfie, Lina and Malaya

Year 4: Thea, Tatum and Silvano

Year 3: Arthur L, Julia, Deanara and Ramzan

Year 2: Kadeem, Ryan and Aaliyah

Year 1: Taaliyah and Reyan

Reception: Hunter

Nursery: Nathan and Salma



ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

KS1: Axel (Palm)



KS2: Tatum (Willow)

POPCORN PARTY

(as chosen by the pupil voice)

Well done to **Olive** class for having the highest attendance this week!



RESPECT CHAMPIONS

KS1: Arthur L (Palm)



KS2: Mason (Elm)



Top Rockstar for this week:

Mohamed Hassan

Mulberry - highest accuracy



Top Numbot for this week:

Yousef A - Biggest increase in coins

3D Discover

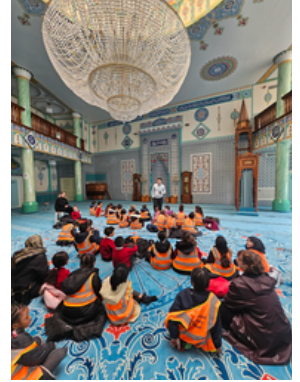


Children at Rotherfield were joined by 3-Discovery to learn about new technology such as AI, chatbots and ethical considerations related to their use. All children from years 1 to 6 had an assembly with a 3-Discovery expert during the day, then they worked with iPads to create movies animations and newsreels to explain the dangers of AI and how to keep themselves safe when using these new technologies.



Year 3 Trip - Local Mosque

As part of our wider curriculum learning, Year 3 enjoyed an insightful and meaningful visit to the local mosque. The trip offered pupils a valuable opportunity to deepen their understanding of Islamic traditions and came at a particularly special time, just ahead of the Eid celebrations.



Spanish

A group of children in Y4 enjoyed a trip to Parkwood Primary School this week. They ate some traditional Spanish paella (cooked by a specialist Spanish chef!) and watched two traditional tales with the Parkwood children in the school hall. They had a fantastic time and were great ambassadors for Rotherfield!



Year 3 Easter Assembly

Year 3 led a thoughtful and uplifting Easter assembly to mark the end of Lent. In preparation, we welcomed the vicars from our neighbourhood church, who shared the story and meaning of Easter with the children. As a wonderfully diverse school community, it was a special opportunity to reflect on the message at the heart of Easter: to love, to hope, and to forgive. We are also very grateful to all the parents who joined us and supported the children as they performed so confidently.



Screen on the Green



A huge well done to the children who were invited to Screen on the Green last week! Their attendance has really shot up, and we're so proud of their effort and enthusiasm. A big shout-out to our amazing parents for your support... you make such a difference!

The children had a brilliant morning, showed superstar behaviour, and to top it all off, Jay surprised everyone with popcorn. What a treat!



Golden Readers & Golden Writers

Golden Readers

Apple - Elaine	Willow - Elijah
Beech - Saoirse	Rowan - Goldie
Oak - Suhayla	Elm - Cinar
Pine - Anayah	Mulberry - Scarlett
Maple - Yousef	Ash - Emmanuella B
Silver Birch -	Cedar - Valention
Palm - Skye	Olive - Elliott

Golden Writers

Apple - Dion	Willow - Renan
Beech - Reuben	Rowan - Walden
Oak - Harley	Elm - Aman
Pine - Anahita	Mulberry - Ayuub
Maple - Bonnie	Ash - Sibel
Silver Birch -	Cedar - Moriah
Palm - Safia	Olive - Aleyna

Year 5 Assembly

Year 5 enjoyed sharing their personal stories of what they did this Eid. We loved hearing about the importance of the month - and what it meant to our Muslim community.



Free School Meal Vouchers

To all parents/carers who receive Free School Meal vouchers, please note that Islington Council have requested we issue one £45 voucher per child for both the Easter and May half terms. You will receive these vouchers on Friday 27th March 2026.

Enrichment Clubs

Rotherfield Primary School - After School Clubs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast Club 7:45 - 8:55	Breakfast Club 7:45 - 8:55	Breakfast Club 7:45 - 8:55	Breakfast Club 7:45 - 8:55	Breakfast Club 7:45 - 8:55
Football Y3-5 3:30 - 4:30	Turkish Y1-6 3:30 - 4:30	Gymnastics Rec-Y6 3:30 - 4:30	Spanish Y4-6 3:30 - 4:30	
		S.T.E.M Y2-6 3:30 - 4:30	Drama and Public Speaking Club (book online with provider)	
After School Club 3:30 - 4:30 4:30 - 6:30 3:30 - 6:30	After School Club 3:30 - 4:30 4:30 - 6:30 3:30 - 5:30	After School Club 3:30 - 4:30 4:30 - 6:30 3:30 - 6:30	After School Club 3:30 - 4:30 4:30 - 6:30 3:30 - 6:30	After School Club 3:30 - 4:30 4:30 - 6:30 3:30 - 6:30

BOOKINGS WILL BE OPEN FROM 6PM ON FRIDAY 27TH MARCH.

Year 3 - Trip to the Zoo



Rotherfield Read-a-Thon

Today we held our Read-a-Thon. Pupils from year 5 were reading non-stop aloud! It was wonderful to see them all reading with their friends, sharing stories and showing their great expression and confidence.

The event is being sponsored to raise money for our outdoor book area so please click [here](#) or share the QR code and donate if you can!



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JustGiving Page



Easter and Eid Lunches



Reminder - Dates for your Diary

All important events can be found on the public calendar on the school website

EVENTS	DATES
Last day of school	Friday 27 th March
Easter Holidays	Monday 30 th March - Friday 10 th April
First day back at school	Monday 13 th April
Year 1 Assembly	Tuesday 5 th May @9:10
Year 6 Assembly	Date TBC
KS2 SATs Week	Monday 11 th May - Friday 15 th May

Educational Experiences in 2025-26

Year 1

- Freightliner's City Farm
- London Bus Tour
- Florence
- Nightingale Museum
- V&A Childhood Museum
- King Henry's Walk Garden

Year 2

- Tate Modern
- The Monument
- Horniman Museum
- London Zoo
- Hampstead Heath
- Museum of Docklands

Year 3

- British Museum
- Science Museum
- Pantomime
- Westminster Walk
- London Aquarium
- Kew Gardens
- Mosque Visit

Year 4

- Science Museum
- Chocolate Museum
- Church Visit
- Ragged School Museum
- River Lea
- Highgate Wood

Year 5

- Olympic Park
- Science Museum
- British Museum
- Synagogue Visit
- London Zoo
- Southbank

Year 6

- HMS Belfast
- Jewish Museum
- Ben Kinsella Workshop
- Theatre Trips
- National Portrait Gallery

A voluntary donation of £24 via Arbor helps fund all the educational visits we offer over the year

Your generous donations help makes trips like these possible, and mean we can offer a range of fantastic learning opportunities!

For more details, or if you have any questions, please speak to us in the office!

Free School Meal Vouchers during school holidays

Do you qualify for free school meals (FSM) status. Anyone who hasn't applied or whose circumstances may have changed please apply on Islington's Citizen portal to see if you are eligible.
[Free school meals | Islington Council](#)

Late Collection Policy

The school applies a late collection charge for children who are not collected from school on time. The Late Collection Policy and charges can be accessed using the following link.
[Rotherfield Primary School - School Policies](#)

Support with Childcare

If you are a working parent and require help with Childcare please use the links to see what help is available.
[Eligibility checker | Best Start in Life](#)
[Tax-Free Childcare - GOV.UK](#)
[Free Childcare for Working Parents: Overview - GOV.UK](#)

Lettings / Hall Hire

Rotherfield has partnered with Sharesy to make booking our hall simple. Click below view our spaces, prices and availability: <https://www.sharesy.com/v/rotherfield-primary-school>
 Parents/Carers of pupils attending Rotherfield can email the school for information on available discounted rates.

Islington Healthy School Advisor

Please click here to see community food services available within Islington
[Community Food Services - Islington Food Partnership](#)

Clubs contact info

Should you need to reach a staff member after 4PM regarding your child at after-school club (such as late collection from after school club), please call this number for immediate assistance: 07955184099