



# Royles Brook

# Newsletter

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## Ash and Elm

Happy New Year and welcome back! We have loved hearing all about the children's celebrations over the holidays in our Key Person times this week and we have started our new topic "The Polar Regions". We have been using globes and maps of the world to see where we live and where the Polar Regions are. We have also begun learning lots of facts about The Arctic and Antarctica.

## Hazel, Juniper and Linden

Happy New Year from the Key Stage I team! On Wednesday, the children had a visit from a very stern Victorian teacher: Miss Brown. The children had to stand whilst she entered our classrooms and show their hands for inspection! The children had the chance to write on a chalkboard. I think we are all grateful to not be attending school in Victorian times!

## Maple, Oak and Poplar

This week in LKS2 we have been working extremely hard identifying the features of a non-chronological report and using the correct subject verbs 'was and were'. We have begun learning about Italy for our Geography topic, where we will be looking at comparing a non-contrasting European country with the United Kingdom. In Maths, the children in Year 3 have been focusing on addition and subtraction within 1000 and Year 4 have been converting decimals into fractions. As it is important to stay active over the winter period, we have been learning new skills, techniques and games that require throwing, batting and precision.

## Rowan, Sycamore and Willow

It was a brilliant first week back in Upper Key Stage Two! In Rowan Class and Sycamore Class, pupils have created a comic strip to document everything they have learnt about the Anglo Saxons and Vikings to conclude our current topic. Pupils in Willow Class have enjoyed putting a new dance sequence together in PE.

Well done to all of our Royles Brook superstars!  
For W/E 12<sup>th</sup> January

## Stars of the Week!

Value of the week: being a good friend!

Ash Star  
Amelie M

Elm Star  
Seth S

Hazel Star  
Cayden B

Juniper Star  
Harry H

Linden Star  
Samuel F

Maple Star  
James B

Oak Star  
Leon J

Poplar Star  
Reese D

Rowan Star  
Leighton T

Sycamore Star  
Maddy W

Willow Star  
Riley T

## Spring PE Days

ASH & ELM- Wednesday and Thursdays  
HAZEL, JUNIPER & LINDEN- Tuesday and Fridays  
MAPLE, OAK & POPLAR- Tuesday and Thursdays  
ROWAN, SYCAMORE & WILLOW- Monday and  
Wednesdays

Please can you ensure pupils wear trainers  
suitable for PE lessons

## Dates for your Diary

RBB Choir - Mondays 3.15pm to 4pm

OAA Club - Tuesdays 3.15pm to 4pm

Football Training for Football Team - Thursdays 3.15pm  
to 4.15pm

Coding Club - Thursdays 3.15pm to 4.15pm



School Attendance  
Matters (SAM)

W/C 18.12.23

**Linden Class**  
**97.9%**

Whole School Attendance

W/C 18.12.23

**94%**

Punctuality Also  
Matters (PAM)

Well done to  
**Oak Class**  
for being on time  
in class each  
day!

## Update from Mrs McKinnon this week.....

What a wonderful week at Royles Brook! I started the week with a whole school assembly in which I showed the children and staff some very old books I found in school. The books date back to 1906 when the school was Church Road School. We looked at the log books, the attendance books and the punishment book! We talked about how things have changed so much and how we will all work together to continue to bring about positive change for the most important people in our school; the children.

Please follow the link to complete the parent/carer survey which was sent out in my welcome letter last week. I am very keen to gather your views about the school.

And finally, thank you for all the 'hellos' on the school gate and for making me feel so welcome. Please pop and say 'hello' if you haven't already and I look forward to meeting you all soon.