



March Newsletter

We have approached the end of this busy term, and there is a real buzz around the school this half term as we have had so many visitors and opportunities across the curriculum. When I became Academy Head I was asked about my values, I often talk to staff and families about these.

1. Importance of reading, reading opens doors and is a life skill.
2. Value of sport, benefits for physical and mental wellbeing but also being part of a team and feeling included.
3. School is part of the community.

This week, all of these values have been in action. As 2026 is the year of reading, we have been focussing on sharing our most loved books. This week ten pupils have given their book recommendations in assembly and have kept Mr Roper very busy ordering new books for us. Lots of pupils have been keen to knock on the door and share their excitement of the newly stacked bookshelves and it has been great to speak to them all. I have lots of reading ideas for over the break!

Over the last two weeks it has been a busy time for sports. Yesterday, was a great day at the Cross Country at Holbrook. The atmosphere was brilliant with pupils being resilient and trying their hardest, but also the support they gave to pupils from other schools. Well done to everyone but a special mention to Primrose, Layla-Rose and Aggie for coming home with medals for finishing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in their respective races. Thank you to the parents for coming along to support and cheer on everyone, and also to Mr Fisher who has done a wonderful job at organising all of the tournaments.

Miss Berg has had some exciting news that we are going to perform at Snape Maltings next term, as well as performing as part of our Trust 10 year celebration. We have also confirmed our attendance at the Rendlesham Show. More details will follow soon. Earlier in the week, we invited parents into our Rock Steady concert. Well done to all of our musicians for taking part. Thank you Miss Berg and Mrs Stark for all of our hard work and providing so many music opportunities.

Mrs Fairweather has also been very busy providing us with a wonderful science day and organising the 'simple machines competition'. Thank you to all for supporting the competition with making and designing the inventions which are on display in the atrium.

Staff update - We will be saying goodbye to Mrs Metson this week. Mrs Metson is leaving us for a new opportunity in education and we wish her well. We have welcomed Miss Morgan to KS1 and the Nest this term. Next term, Miss Morgan will be also working in Nursery alongside Mrs Drackford and Mrs Villa.

Important dates, so far! -

- 13th April - Start of the Summer term
- 1st May - LKS2 Jimmy's Farm
- 5th May - EYFS Our Animal World visit
- 8th May - Code Show in school
- 11th May - SATs Week (Year 6)
- 18th May - Bikeability (Year 6 - week 1)
- 22nd May - PD Day
- 25th - 29th May - Half Term
- 1st June - Bikeability (Year 6 - week 2)
- 8th June - Phonics screening (Year 1)
- 19th June - Sports Day
- 29th June - Move up day

Have a lovely break, see you on the 13th April. Mrs Woodruffe and Rendlesham Staff

