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Roughwood Primary School Newsletter

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As we continue through this busy and exciting term, it has been a pleasure to see our children embracing their learning with such enthusiasm and positivity. From the classroom to the playground, they are demonstrating resilience, kindness and a real pride in their achievements. Thank you for your continued support - it makes a real difference in helping our school community thrive.

Rotherham School Games Athletics

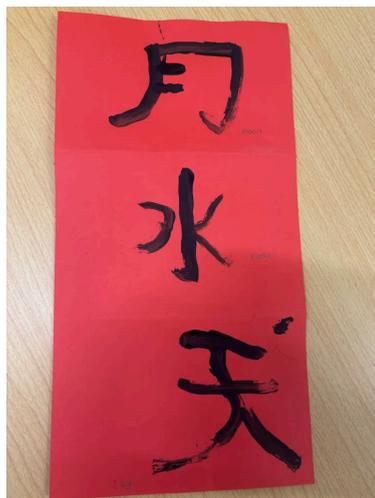
A fantastic evening of Athletics at The Rotherham School Games event. The children worked incredibly hard and their work in practices paid off as they delivered some amazing team and individual performances. The children participated in a number of different events from sprints, hurdles, relays and a variety of field events. An amazing event and a big thank you to Rotherham School Games for hosting.



Kung Hei Fat Choi

We are celebrating Chinese New Year. We have learnt a few words in Mandarin.

We also looked at how Chinese people write. We made our own lucky red banners using paint and a brush to write symbols.



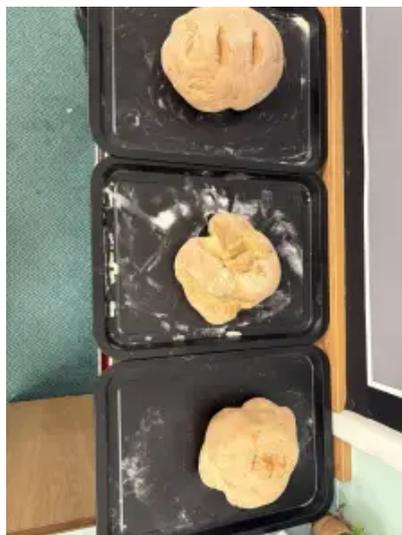
Class 2 learn sign language

In PSHE we had a special visitor... Mr Hunter's mum! She is currently a teacher at a deaf specialist school in Doncaster but luckily had the time to visit our school today. She shared her journey with being deaf and how she became a teacher. Then she showed us how to sign simple greetings which we hope to use in school to support our scaling. Afterwards, we learned how to show our name by using the alphabet. It was amazing to see the children showing this to their parents/ carers after school. We cannot wait until our next sessions.



Making bread in class 2

In class 2 our literacy topic is instructions. To immerse the children in this topic we followed a recipe to make bread. The children thought about the imperative verbs and time connectives they could use in their own writing. In the afternoon we sampled our bread and it was delicious.



Y5B: Creating Times Tables Games with micro:bits

This term, our children have been busy using micro:bits to design and build their own interactive times tables games. Using variables, they stored scores and numbers, while inputs such as the micro:bit buttons allowed players to select answers and control the game.

The children programmed the micro:bits to generate multiplication questions, check answers, and give instant feedback. Along the way, they developed key computing skills including problem-solving, logical thinking, and debugging, all while reinforcing their maths learning in a fun and engaging way.

It's been fantastic to see the children combining coding and maths to create games they can play, test and improve themselves!



Reading Tip

Just 10 minutes of reading each day makes a huge difference. Try sharing a story together before bedtime this week!

Kindness Corner

A small act of kindness can make a big difference. Encourage your child to help a friend or give a compliment this week.

Quick Brainteasers to share with your children!

Early Years

I'm yellow and bright and shine high in the sky. What am I? **Answer: The Sun**

Key Stage 1

I am thinking of a number. When you add 5, you get 12. What number am I thinking of? **Answer: 7**

Key Stage 2

What is the end of everything? **Answer: The letter 'G'**

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NOTICES/UPDATES:

We are absolutely delighted to share that together we raised an incredible £3,433.49p for The Rotherham Hospice through our Reindeer Run. This achievement would not have been possible without the generosity, encouragement and enthusiasm of everyone who took part, donated, sponsored, volunteered and cheered us on.

Monday 23rd February - Return back to school after February half term.

Monday 23rd February - Thursday 26th February - Some of our Y5s are off to Stratford!

Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th March - Parents evening (currently live on Arbor to book)

Thursday 5th March - School Photographer is in to do Class Photos.

Friday 6th March - World Book Day dress up day

Friday 20th March - Comic Relief Red Nose Day. Children are invited to accessorise with red as well as their usual full uniform. A donation to charity is encouraged.

Final Thoughts

Happy half-term everyone! We hope you have a wonderful time making memories over the next week. We're already looking forward to seeing you refreshed and ready for all the exciting things to come.

*"The more you read, the more you know.
The more that you learn, the more places you will go."
Dr Seuss*

Your Class Attendance



Our Target is **96%**.
Remember everyday matters at school.

We always call if we have no reason why children are not in school. Please inform the office if your child is not able to attend.

Please be aware that we cannot release children early from school without seeing an appointment letter or card.