

**Year 6 RAF Rocket Building by Grace L**

*On the morning of 16<sup>th</sup> May, Oaks and Ash Classes were treated to an informative "rocket building" session that Miss Jacobs had kindly organised. It was an amazing experience and I would love to tell you a bit about it.*

Set Up

*As many schools around the country also participated in this task, there was an instruction booklet, templates and other resources provided by the RAF previously. To help us with the tasks, there was a YouTube livestream that we could log in to in order to participate. The lady from the RAF engineering team was very helpful and even showed us a bit about her job and what the RAF is actually around to do.*

Rocket Building

*Our actual task was to use the force of our breath to propel out handmade "rockets" through the air to see how far they can travel, whilst exploring different trajectories and payloads. The instructions were super clear and the tutorial was so helpful as well as the templates being so easy to understand.*

*We all enjoyed this experience immensely and feel very lucky to have been able to understand the amazing work the RAF does for our country.*

*Thank you RAF!*



**Talent Show 2023**

The time has come for your children to shine. We will be hosting our annual talent show at the village hall on the 15th June at the village hall from 4-7. The choir will be performing on that day. We are looking for all kinds of talents from comedy to gymnastics. The sign-up sheet for this event has been up for a while but if there are any last-minute additions, we will be pleased to have them, especially those talented instrument players. We are already looking forward to the piano player who has signed up. Please encourage your children to share their talents with us. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Rojo Rojo Stall**

A big thank you to all those who visited the Rojo Rojo Stall this week. Well over £100.00 was raised. Your support was very much appreciated.

**Year 5 Positive Relationships and Anti-bullying Programme**

*Last term year 5 had Ellie from Kent Youth Hub deliver a positive relationship workshop. In the first lesson, we looked at our self-esteem and said kind compliments to each other. After every compliment we blew up a balloon to show how we felt when someone compliments us. In our second lesson, we drew around our hands, on the inside we wrote about different bullying situations, and on the outside we wrote about different solutions and ways we can help to stop bullying. In the last lesson, we had a teamwork challenge, we had to build 'The Shard' out of 3 pieces of tape and 12 straws. This helped us to learn about communication and listening to people's ideas. We really enjoyed our sessions and learning from the workshop, and especially the games we played at the end of each session. Thank you, Ellie.*

Written by Sophie and Emma

**Happy Birthday!**

Aryssa  
Jayden  
Edith

Week ahead	
Monday	
Tuesday	KS2 Cricket Match PTA KS1 Movie Night
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	Last Day of Term

### News from Nature School.

Our weekly theme was all about swallows ~ these amazing little birds have been making their mighty journey back to the UK, some from as far a South Africa, across deserts and mountains and seas! They children were invited to make clay swallows to take on a journey. Do look out for any swallows in your area and be sure to welcome them back after their huge migratory adventure.

Part of the Forest School ethos is to ensure children can freely explore and play in nature, connecting with their interests and developing their skills.

This week the children showed us that they really were into 'hanging out' ~ they made elaborate swing structures, zip lines, foot hold swings and used ropes to support their tree climbing. They practiced the knots they have been learning, checked branches were strong enough and the tree was in good health and ensured they ground below was suitable to have a swing over it. So much dynamic risk assessment, exploration of physics and team work!

In Reception the children extended their classroom map work, using a ground map to guide them on a journey to find spring time treasures.



<b>Saplings</b>	<b>Hudson</b> - For your fantastic "estimating" work in magic maths and practising your new maths skills at home too! <b>Luca</b> - For persevering and creating your 3D rabbit out of paper and tape. Great working out and creative skills!
<b>Elms</b>	<b>Lilly</b> - For your incredible e-book based on Cinderella which you persevered with even after several computer issues! You never gave up and managed to make your pictures move, add sound effects and add backgrounds to each page. <b>Eva</b> - For her incredible ebook which she produced this week. I loved all of your moving pictures and incredible backgrounds which you added to tell your wonderful story.
<b>Beech</b>	<b>Ivy</b> – for consistently trying her best and thinking about her answers <b>Harry</b> – For good engagement and working hard in maths.
<b>Willows</b>	<b>Edward</b> - For contributing to a class debate about the amount of screen time children should have. He was a great spokesperson. <b>Finn</b> - For his contribution to a class debate about the amount of screen time children should have. He listened to people's opinions but decided to stick to his original view despite peer pressure.
<b>Hazel</b>	<b>Harvey</b> - For improving his speed and accuracy on Times Table Rock Stars. Your hard work is paying off! <b>Lana</b> - For writing such an excellent opener to her newspaper report.
<b>Ash</b>	<b>Freya</b> - For her continuous and thoughtful contributions during our English lessons and when discussing our class book 'The Explorer'. <b>Cora</b> - For her beautifully neat and precise sewing when making her stuffed toy.
<b>Oaks</b>	<b>Lucy</b> - For her detailed illustrations of mushroom rocks, salt flats and sand dunes. <b>Isaac</b> - For his excellently presented information text on physical desert features.