



Reepham Primary School – 01603 870321

March 2025 Newsletter

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March 28th 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Sadly, we say goodbye to Mrs Weston next week as she leaves us to spend more time with her family. She has supported many of the children giving them a strong start to our school and we are grateful for her hard work and dedication during her time with us. We will all miss her and hope that she returns to do some supply teaching with us soon. Rita Scott will be joining the Reception team for the Summer term. She has worked at our school in the past so knows us and the children already.

On Tuesday, we were able to share plans for the Year 6 cohort for September 2025. Some of you may be aware that we currently have 42 children in that cohort, therefore when the rest of Dove class move to high school, we will be creating 2 new classes. The children will return to being Tawny and Barn Owls as they were known when they first joined us. Mr Concannon will be moving to the Year 6 team in September.

I am delighted to be able to share that Mrs Shorten is expecting a baby in September. The children have been very excited to hear her news.

With these staff changes in mind, some people are asking about staff for September in Year 2 and Year 4. We have already completed the recruitment process and we have excellent people joining our team. I will be able to share more information next term when contracts are all confirmed.

World Book Day

Huge thanks to all of you for supporting the children with their costumes and huge thanks again to the Friends for supporting us throughout the week. Once again, they provided the children with an amazing author visit. Kate Read was very inspirational and we would not be able to provide these opportunities for the children without their support.

Rotakids Easter Egg hunt

Our wonderful Rotakids committee will be hosting an Easter Egg hunt after school on Thursday 3rd April on the school field. You can come with your child and join in for £1 per person. The children have chosen to raise money for a local charity called Star Throwers who offer support to cancer patients and their families. They will also be selling Reepham Scavenger hunt sheets for families to take away and complete over the Easter holidays. Thank you to Jim Fraser from Reepham Rotary Club for giving the children this opportunity.

Runathon

May 11th 2025- Sign up needed before April 2nd to secure a race t-shirt.

We are extremely lucky to have so many people wanting to help us in school, particularly with the current climate around school budgets. The Friends have organised a wonderful social opportunity for us in the form of a fun run which will also raise funds for us to update our playground areas. Please come and support this event if you can. It would be wonderful to have as many children as possible taking part. I have



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attached some information from Rose at the end of the Newsletter. This link gives more information about the event: <https://go.dojiggy.io/rocknrun2025>

Swimming

The government has a target that all children school be able to swim 25m by the end of Year 6. This is a life changing skill that ultimately could save your child's life. We are seeing more and more children, since the pandemic, nearly finishing Primary school not meeting this target. As a school, we take the children swimming but catching up post pandemic is proving hard for us to move down the year groups as we would previously have done. I would urge you to consider taking your children swimming, either to lessons or regularly with you as this will really help them in life. It is not possible to teach them to swim in year 6 in the time we have available without any other input as we also must cover many elements of the water safety programme.

Reading/writing groups date

Following the success of the Parents workshops in Maths and Environmental issues, we are pleased to announce new dates for Parent workshops for writing and reading. These have proven to be very popular, and the feedback has been excellent so I hope that many of you can make the following dates:

6th May and 20th May – Booking available nearer the time.

Certificates for March

Class	Inspire	Challenge	Succeed together
Kingfishers	Seb	Reuben	George
Puffins	Violet	Mylo	Jasper M
Goldfinches	Leighton	Jacob	Levi
Wrens	Joseph	Olivia	Lenny
Woodpeckers	Edie	Oscar	Ivy
Doves	Emily S and Matilda	Tilly	Mila

I hope to see some of you at The Easter Egg hunt but if not, I wish you all a restful break when it comes next week.

Caroline

Message from The Friends of Reepham Primary School

Rock n' Run Run-a-thon – Sign Up by April 2nd!

Excitement is building for our first-ever **Rock n' Run Run-a-thon!** So far, around a quarter of the school has signed up, but this is a **whole school event** and we'd love to see as many children as possible take part.

Don't forget, if you don't get a copy of our monthly newsletter you can access it via our website at www.reephamprimary.org.uk
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The focus is on **participation Sign up by April 2nd** to guarantee your child's free event T-shirt, generously sponsored by local businesses. There will also be plenty of refreshments to keep everyone energised! <https://go.dojiggy.io/rocknrun2025>

- it's not a race, but a chance to run, jog, or walk alongside friends, family, and classmates. It promises to be a fantastic day of fun, all while raising funds to **upgrade the school's playground facilities.**

Register now and join us in making this a day to remember!

Upcoming dates for your diaries (please be aware these may be subject to change)

Tues 1 st Apr	Class photographs
Thurs 3 rd Apr	Easter Egg hunt after school
Fri 25 th Apr	Celebration Assembly, 2:40pm
Wed 30 th Apr	Year Reception trip to Salle Farm Estate and Walled Gardens
Tues 6 th /20 th May	Reading/writing parents workshops
Tues 6 th May	Parents workshop - Booking available nearer the time
Thurs 8 th May	Year 1 trip to Whitwell
Mon 12 th May	KS2 SATS Week
Tues 20 th May	Parents workshop – Booking available nearer the time
Thurs 22 nd May	Year 2 trip to Sandringham
Fri 23 rd May	Celebration Assembly, 2:40pm
Fri 20 th June	Year 6 Leavers Photographs
Fri 20 th June	Celebration Assembly, 2:40pm
Fri 20 th June	Summer Fete
Mon 23 rd June	Sports Week
Tues 24 th June	Sports Day
Mon 30 th June	Three Day Year 5 and Year 6 residential
Tues 15 th July	Year 5 and Year 6 Play
Wed 16 th July	Year 5 and Year 6 Play
Fri 18 th July	Celebration Assembly, 2:40pm
Tuesday 22 nd July	Leavers Assembly 11am Y6 Parents/ Carers to attend. Early closing 1:15pm.

Please refer to the school's website for all term dates. Please remember we do not operate by Norfolk County Council school dates.