

A Message from Mrs Shah....

I cannot believe we are yet again at the end of another term. Spring Term has been exciting and busy, with a variety of learning experiences, as well as celebrations such as World Book Day.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful parents for the support they continue to give to myself, the staff, and the whole school community. Thank you to those parents who continue to help the PTA raise funds and who make donations to ensure that our children have the very best resources and opportunities at Roman Way Academy. A special thanks to all the PTA members for their dedication and time that they continue to give to Roman Way.

Mr Emery, our newly appointed Governor, recently visited Roman Way, and I would like to share a snippet of the report which will make you very proud of your children: "My observations throughout the school suggested a positive and supportive atmosphere among the staff. Pupil behaviour was impeccable. Children move around the school in a calm and respectful way. Everyone engages with each other as they pass by, exchanging greetings. The upkeep and general tidiness of the school are excellent."

I would like to wish you a Happy Easter and a wonderful break with your families.

Victorian Life in the Big House

To end our spring term history topic 'What was school/life like in the past?', we had a whole day experiencing life in a stately Victorian home that was set up in our school hall. In the morning, we took part and role played different practical activities exploring the different workstations set up as "rooms." In the afternoon, we took part in various entertainments to create our own Victorian music hall. What an enriching Victorian day it was for all of us!

[Victorian Life In The Big House Photographs](#)

Year 4 Science and Art Day at KJAR

Year 4's were invited to visit KJAR as part of the transition process before they join the school in September. The children took part in an Art and Science morning in which they made and painted a clay animal and took part in various science experiments. The children really enjoyed watching the colour of the skittles disperse, making a beautiful pattern and watching different liquids react.

Sensory Room

A huge thank you to our PTA for securing a grant from Wooden Spoon for our new Sensory Room. This is a fantastic resource, and we appreciate all the advice we received from Mrs Kennedy on the design of the room. Thank you to the volunteers from Johnson Mathey who very kindly volunteered their time to paint the room.

[Sensory Room Photographs](#)

Cashless School

Please now make all payments via the Arbor app. We are now a cashless school. Please let the school office know if you are experiencing any difficulties with the Arbor app.

Roman Way Academy Attendance

It is important that all children arrive at school on time each morning. All children should be ready to enter at 8.45am for early morning learning before the register is taken. Any late arrivals are recorded as unauthorised and these will affect your child's attendance percentage at school. Holidays in term time will not be authorised. Fixed penalty notices will be issued where unauthorised sessions meet the threshold. Please note that all lateness, after registers close, count as an unauthorised session.

March 2025

Whole School 94%

Otters	92%
Robins	92%
Squirrels	96%
Foxes	91%
Hedgehogs	96%
Dolphins	97%
Puffins	92%
Badgers	93%

Reminders

- **Jewellery** is not permitted to be worn in school. Small, simple stud earrings are allowed however, they must be removed for PE. Children need to be able to do this independently if worn in school. For those children who struggle with this, earrings must be removed before coming to school on PE days. Please note that we do not allow for earrings to be taped and cannot authorise any PE sessions being missed due to piercings. We advise that all piercings should be done in the school holidays when there are 6 clear weeks for them to heal. Bracelets should not be worn unless for religious reasons, which should be agreed with Mrs Shah.
- The **school car park** is for staff use only, unless you have a parking permit which has been agreed with Mrs Shah.
- Please ensure all children do not use the **playground equipment** or apparatus before or after the school day.
- Children must have an adult with them during **drop off** in the morning whilst waiting for the school bell to be rung.
- Children should not bring **toys**, squishies or large keyrings to school.
- If your KS2 child wants a **snack** at playtime, please only provide them with fruit and vegetables. This can include dried fruit in its pure form, i.e., raisins, sultanas, dried apricots.
- Children should only bring water to school in their **water bottles**, not squash, unless your child has a medical condition or need, and you have discussed this with Mrs Shah. Please do not put water bottles in book bags as many books have been ruined by leaky bottles.
- If your child has lost an item of clothing, please look in the **lost property** trolley in the Mitchell Bailey building. Please ensure you name all your child's belongings.
- If your child has a packed lunch, they will bring their rubbish and empties home with them for recycling. There are now designated bins around the school for food waste and general waste.
- When your child returns to school after the Easter holiday, please ensure they bring a water bottle and sun hat each day. Please also ensure they have had sun protection applied before they come to school.

PE Days

Owls	-	Wednesdays
Otters and Robins	-	Tuesdays
Squirrels, Foxes and Hedgehogs	-	Mondays and Thursdays
Dolphins, Puffins and Badgers	-	Wednesdays and Fridays

CHILDREN RETURN FOR THE SUMMER TERM ON WEDNESDAY 23RD APRIL 2025

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – SUMMER TERM 2025	
Tuesday 22 nd April	INSET DAY – School Closed for Children
Wednesday 23 rd April	First Half of Summer Term Starts
Friday 25 th April	Team Rubicon Scooter/Skate Workshop
Monday 28 th April	Swimming Sessions Start for KS1 and KS2 classes during this week
Friday 2 nd May	Hair That Rocks and Funky Socks – PTA Event
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday Monday
Tuesday 6 th May	Clubs Start
Wednesday 7 th May	Visit from Ark Farm - EYFS
Friday 9 th May	Constructive Music Day
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th May	Mental Health Awareness Week
Tuesday 13 th May	Hertfordshire Zoo Trip – Key Stage 2
Thursday 15 th May	Sibling and Class Photographs – Whole School
Friday 16 th May	SEND Coffee Morning - TBC School Discos
Monday 19 th to Friday 23 rd May	Aspirations Week
Wednesday 21 st May	Aspirations Dress-Up Day
Friday 23 rd May	Science Day – Whole School Break up for Half Term
Monday 26 th to Friday 30 th May	Half Term Holiday
Monday 2 nd June	INSET Day – School Closed for Children
Tuesday 3 rd June	Second Half of Summer Term Starts
Monday 9 th June	Last Swimming Sessions for KS1 and KS2 during this week
Monday 16 th June	Swimming Sessions start for Reception classes during this week
Monday 23 rd June	Sports Morning – Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 Sports Afternoon – Early Years Foundation Stage
Friday 27 th June	Summer Fayre
Monday 7 th July	Last Swimming Sessions for Reception classes during this week

Tuesday 8 th July	Last Day of Clubs
Thursday 10 th July	Transition Day
Friday 18 th July	Leavers' Bowling Trip – Year 4 Bouncy Castle Event – PTA Event
Monday 21 st July	Pool Parties and Class Parties – Key Stage 2
Tuesday 22 nd July	Pool Parties and Class Parties – Key Stage 1 and Reception
Wednesday 23 rd July	End of Summer Term