



Rodney House School  
Learning through teamwork and trust



# Newsletter

April 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

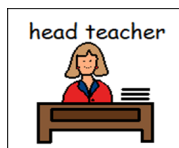
The year continues to fly by as we enter our final term of the year. It is lovely to finally be getting a summer feeling back in school, there are many exciting events planned this term, including sports day and festival day - more information to follow.

We hope that you have been enjoying all that we have been sending out via our Evidence for Learning app, if you have not been able to access this please speak to Carmen Malpas who will be able to assist you.

As always, thank you for your continued support in all that we do and here is to another great term at Rodney House, whatever it may bring. Please do not hesitate to come and speak to us should you have any questions, concerns, ideas of how we could improve further or indeed to just have a chat! We cannot wait to welcome you into school this term.

Debbie Morley

Headteacher



# Swimming Pool

The start of this term has seen the return of the swimming pool. All Classes have had lots of fun splashing around. They have used floats and noodles to support their early swimming skills and grow their confidence in the water.



# Swimming Pool



## What's been happening in and around School

### Lion class



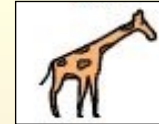
We have been learning about people that help us and thinking about what we would like to be when we grow up. We have been practicing life skills for when we grow up by thinking about what we need for snack and cooking and creating a class shopping list. We then went to the shop to buy the things we needed.





## What's been happening in and around School

### Giraffe class

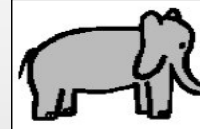


Giraffes have settled back into school well after a great Easter Holiday. The children have had a fun start to summer term using the swimming pool. They have enjoyed a trip to Debdale Park and the Garden centre to visit the fish as part of our Under the Sea topic. The children are enjoying our new sensory story exploring props linked to the Under the Sea theme.



## What's been happening in and around School

### Elephant class



Since returning to school after the Easter break, it has been very exciting as we have a swimming pool in the car park! Elephant class have thoroughly enjoyed going swimming in the pool and all of the pupils have gained confidence and independence when being in the water.



## What's been happening in and around School

### Zebra class



Zebras have been enjoying learning how to use our new trampettes. We have been learning how to sit still on the trampette, kneel up and lie down as well as lots and lots of bouncing! We are using symbols to help us to follow instructions and watching the adults and our peers to help us. Zebras are very active and have enjoyed learning these new skills.



## What's been happening in and around School

### Crocodile class



Crocodile class have settled back into their daily structure and routine after having a lovely break to celebrate Easter. We are really excited to explore our new topic Under The Sea. So far we have created a handprint Crab craft and developed our fine motor skills by placing items onto a Starfish and Fish template. We have been loving swimming and growing our confidence in the water.





## What's been happening in and around School

# Tiger class



Tiger Class have visited Whitworth Art Gallery to look and comment on different types of artwork and take photos for inspiration for our new art topic - Printing. The children then loved exploring the upstairs workspace where they built sculptures, designed games and hung their drawings on the display wall for members of the public to see.



Tiger Class are taking part in a project called The Young Marketeers Programme. Last week, the children planted potatoes, onions and peas with a local farmer in our new school allotment area. The class will take turn caring for the crops each day and will sell the food at a market stall in the city centre later in the year.



What's been happening in and around School

# Hippo class



Hippo class have been working hard at their numeracy skills and enjoyed completing a number hunt at forest School. Hippo class also enjoyed a visit to Pioneer House School for a snack time at their school Café which was run by the students.



## What's been happening in and around School

### Bear class



Bears are working on their collaging techniques this term. So far they have been tearing and sticking to make a fish.



# Information

## Dates for the Dairy

<b>Monday 6th May</b>	<b>Bank Holiday School Closed</b>
<b>Friday 24th May</b>	<b>School Closes - Half term</b>
<b>Monday 3rd June</b>	<b>Inset day- School closed</b>
<b>Tuesday 4th June</b>	<b>School Re- opens</b>