



Roe Green Infant School

Newsletter

Friday 30th January 2026



Welcome back to a new year 2026, with the first newsletter for this year.

The children have all settled quickly back into the life at Roe Green Infants this term.

The Spring term has started with some exciting workshops in school.

Reception found the drama workshops a lot of fun and the children were seemingly buzzing after it.

The year two children enjoyed seeing the birds of prey last week in school.

This year is the **Year of Reading**, so watch this space for some exciting announcements with regards to reading challenges for the children.

Reception:

We have been learning many Nursery rhymes that we perform each week at Reception assembly.

We had a drama workshop where we used our confidence and imagination to join in with the story plot.



Year One:

We are learning to be resilient relating to our school values-to not give up when things get tricky.

We are now now streaming for Phonics which is going well.

In humanities we are looking at two famous explorers. We have learnt about Christopher Columbus' voyages and what he brought back from America. We are now excited to learn about Neil Armstrong's moon landing.

In science we explored different materials and their properties.

In English we are learning to write a well known fairytale.

Year Two:

This month Year Two have been learning about Owls. They have read Owl stories, "Fly by Night, The Owl who was afraid of the dark and White Owl, Barn Owl."

We have also had a Birds of Prey workshop which was very exciting. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about the birds of Prey.

The children have been writing a factual account about Owls as a result of what they learnt by attending this workshop.









Reading Champions for January 2026



During the month of January 2026, the following children have read the most number of books on ActiveLearn, our online reading platform. We would like to congratulate our reading champions for their hard work. They have been awarded a reading book for their commitment and perseverance.

Class	Name	Number of books
Red Robins	Ilinca Voinea	29
Yellow Canaries	Sonia Popa	34
Green Parrots	Stefan Mihaila	28
Blue Jays	Elisha Kanani	28
Eagles	Prisha Purohit	30
Owls	Yaqub Fazal	32
Stags	Ayla Tahir	18
Rabbits	Niv Patel	29
Foxes	Darius Iudean	31
Squirrels	Sergiu Cuciorva	20
Badgers	Ayah Ali	16
Hedgehogs	Mateo Stefan	28

Gold award (25 or more children reading on ActiveLearn)	Silver award (20 – 24 children reading on ActiveLearn)	Bronze award Less than 20 children reading on ActiveLearn)
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Well done to everyone reading on ActiveLearn regularly. Keep up the good work.

Mrs Manoj (Acting Assistant Head)

Online safety:

Drawn from the Ofcom Online Nation Report 2025 this free handy guide for parents and carers looks at the more popular apps and games used by children and young people. Specifically it covers:

Key insights.

A comparison of safety and wellbeing features within apps and games.

Help and support links for those games and apps (e.g. Family Pairing, YouTube Supervised Experience etc.).

A few of the more popular helplines.

App/games reviews from Common Sense Media.

To download the handout, click on the link below.

<https://esafety-adviser.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=cbd59b76f0e1ad9db768db345&id=768eb8d24b&e=46b40bb5de>

Climate change Action:

On Monday 12th January, the eco warriors and school councillors walked down to the bridge on Princes Avenue with Mrs Aziz to look at where the mural for climate change action will go. Then on Thursday 15th January, the children spent the morning designing the mural with two local artists from Brent.

What's coming in Kingsbury

In Kingsbury, work on green corridors will be rolled out in stages over the next few years. The first changes, expected by Spring 2026, will focus on making it easier and safer to get around on foot or by bike. This includes extending 20mph streets and improving pedestrian crossings, focusing on Princes Avenue.

These early improvements are being funded through Transport for London's Local Implementation Plan (LIP), and are designed to slow traffic and create calmer, safer streets. Further measures are planned for Old Kenton Lane in 2026/27, and Valley Drive in 2027/28.

Alongside this, an additional £280,000 has been secured through the Neighbourhood Community Infrastructure Levy (NCIL) to continue developing the Kingsbury Green Corridors this year. This funding will support a range of visible, local improvements that prioritise greener streets, safer travel and community pride, including:

Community murals along Princes Avenue and Stag Lane, created through workshops with schools and residents.

Street greening and extensive tree planting to make local streets more attractive and climate-resilient.

Re-landscaping parts of Roe Green Park for better nature and walking environments.

New cycle and scooter parking to support active travel.

Improved wayfinding signage to help residents navigate between parks, shops and community facilities.

Accessibility study to explore improvements to key park routes and ensure they work for all users.

Green Corridors: Community Planting in Kingsbury

In the coming months, community planting will be taking place across several green verges in the Kingsbury Green Neighbourhood, as part of the Green Corridors programme.

One of the key projects will see the frontage of The Village School transformed through a collaborative effort between the school, Brent Council, Start Easy and local residents.

Everyone is welcome to get involved - join the community consultation on Friday 30 January at 10am at The Village School to share your ideas and help shape the project!

Date/time: Friday 30th January 2026 at 10am

Location: The Village School, Grove Park, London NW9 0JY

Attendance & Punctuality:

In total, 91 children achieved 100% attendance for the Autumn term: 43 in Nursery and Reception and 48 in KS1.

Celebrating Outstanding Attendance – Autumn Term Awards

This week has been a very special one at Roe Green Infant and Nursery School, as we have been holding our attendance award ceremonies to recognise some truly remarkable achievements.

We are absolutely delighted to present our 100% attendance certificates to those children who attended school every single day throughout the entire autumn term – from September right through to the Christmas holidays. Not one day missed! This is a huge accomplishment and achievement, not only for our wonderful children but also for their families who have supported them so brilliantly.

Throughout the whole school, an impressive 93 children were awarded gold attendance certificates for the autumn term – what a fantastic achievement!

A huge thank you to all parents and carers who helped their children achieve this outstanding milestone. Your commitment to ensuring your child is in school every day makes such a difference to their learning and development.

The children were incredibly excited during our special assemblies this week, and it was lovely to see how proud they were to receive their certificates. Many other children were very keen to earn one for themselves – and the good news is that they still can!

Spring Term Gold Award Opportunity

There is still time for your child to achieve a gold award for outstanding attendance this year. The spring term began in January when we returned after the Christmas holidays, and runs up to and including 27th March when we start the Easter holidays. Any child who attends school every day during this period will receive a special gold award for their exceptional attendance.

Working Together to Improve Attendance

Every day in school matters, and we know that good attendance is one of the most important factors in helping children achieve their full potential. Whilst we are extremely proud of those children who have achieved 100% attendance, we recognise that as a whole school community, attendance is an area where we can continue to grow and improve together.

Our current attendance figures show that there is room for development, and we would love to see even more children achieving the excellent attendance that helps them thrive academically and socially. By working in partnership with

all our families, we are confident that together we can make real progress in this important area.

We are incredibly proud of all our children and the commitment shown by so many families. Thank you for your continued support and collaboration – together, we can ensure every child has the best possible start to their education and the opportunity to reach for the stars.



Reminders:

Please leave in ample time for school in the morning and afternoon, if you are travelling by car, as there are road works starting on Princes Avenue.

No jewellery should be worn in school. Girls should just have studs in their ears and no hooped earings.

Hats, gloves and scarves should have names in them for easy recognition.

We break up from school on Friday 13th February for half term and we return to school on Monday 23rd February 2026.

Have a lovely week and I will be back with another newsletter at the end of February.



Marina Aziz (Assistant Head teacher - DSL - Inclusion)

Rights Respecting Schools Coordinator

Sustainability Lead teacher

