



# Rushen Primary School



## Newsletter

March 2026



We must open this newsletter with a huge **THANK YOU!** The contributions we received towards our Spring Fair were absolutely amazing! We can't thank you enough for your support but ..... genuinely, **THANK YOU!**

You'll find more information about the Spring Fair below. Thank you to all the parents and pupils who offered their time on the actual day of the Fair to help make this event the success it was. It's a great example of community effort.

### Rotary Stars

Each year 'Rotary Club for Rushen and Western Mann' present chosen students with their 'Star Awards'.

All the children this year had demonstrated many examples of kindness, by supporting others both in and outside of the classroom and being ready and willing to help adults.



Congratulations to all our winners this year. (not all are photographed here)

## Year 6 to StemFest

Our Year 6 children had a brilliant time learning about all the different companies on the Isle of Man involved with STEM (Science, Technology, Mathematics and Engineering).



Some of their favourite activities involved using AI to create games, creating ejector seats, building bridges and designing jumpers.



## Bluebell Class Assembly and 'Stay and Learn'

We forgot all about the grey skies and stormy weather this week when absorbed by the class assembly performed by Bluebell Class. The children shared a great variety of learning in such an engaging way. Their enthusiasm for their learning clearly came across in their smiling, proud faces, their clear, confident speaking voices and the way they collaborated and presented as a team. Congratulations!



During the follow-up 'Stay and Learn' session Bluebell Class enjoyed learning all about money alongside their visiting adults. They were absorbed with sorting, counting, adding combinations of coins and solving word problems.



It was lovely to see so many able to join us. We're so pleased that you enjoyed your morning and very much appreciate all the positive feedback.



## Dress Down Day

Thank you to everyone who came prepared for 'Dress Down Day' and was also able to support our Spring Fair by bringing in a chocolate donation. As previously mentioned, the support was incredible!



## Inter-School Public Speaking

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March saw our school Public Speaking team enter the 'Rotary Primary Schools Competition'.

Our team did a fantastic job, waiting a long time to speak clearly to the large audience, during a very tough competition.



They should be very proud of their efforts!  
We certainly are!

## Gorse Class Assembly and 'Stay and Learn'

Gorse Class treated us to a confident, fact-filled assembly, streamed from another planet! From the videos, singing and detailed accounts of learning to the great bridge models and Knox-inspired artwork, it was a lovely assembly.



Parents were then challenged to learn with their children to do long division! There was lots of collaboration between everyone to solve the 'Extreme Earth' related problems.



## Primary Schools' Cross Country

A fantastic effort by all the competitors at this very challenging event at Nobles Park. The children were resilient and all tried their best to complete the course. A special mention to Evelyn Stubbs who came second in the girls' race.



The boys' team came 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and the girls came 4<sup>th</sup> overall, resulting in Rushen Team finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> overall, out of 24 schools. A fantastic result!

An extra huge thank you to Mr Milnes and Mrs Curphey for organising and overseeing the Running Club over the last few months!

## Sportshall Athletics Festival Years 4, 5 and 6



Twenty four of our children took part in this festival, with our team finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> overall - an amazing result.

The children took part in a range of field and track events, showing individual resilience, sportsmanship and teamwork during competition. It was a great afternoon!

## Collaborative School Collage

Congratulations and thank you to the many pupils across school who contributed towards the making of our collaborative collage 'The Coming of Spring'.



The collage will be on display as part of the Erin Arts Centre's community exhibition 'SPRING FORWARD' from 1<sup>st</sup> April – 8<sup>th</sup> May.

We hope that as many of you as possible will be able to go and view the collage in person.

## Red Nose Day and Toast & Pyjamas Day

Another opportunity for fundraising whilst dressing up (or down, again!) was not missed! Thank you for all donations which will be split between Comic Relief and School Funds.



Many thanks to our school councillors and parents who worked hard as a team to ensure toast was delivered to every child and adult in school. With great collaboration, they managed this within an hour!



## Spring Fair and Easter Bake-Off

As we began this newsletter, we end it with another great big THANK You! to everyone in the school community who has supported our annual Spring Fair and Bake-Off event in any capacity.

Thank you to all the local businesses who made such generous donations towards our main raffle.....



Thank you to all staff, pupils and parents and families for your support. It was a huge success, and it was wonderful to see so many of you there!







## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **MAY**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May** Fuchsia Class Assembly & Stay and Learn

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May** Sports Day (games in the morning, races in the afternoon)

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May** Juniper Class Assembly & Stay and Learn

### **JUNE**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June** Daffodil Class Assembly & Stay and Learn

### **JULY**

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 1.30pm



**Have a Wonderful Easter!**  
**From Rushen Primary School Staff**

