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**Robins Lane Primary School Newsletter**

**6<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

# Headteacher's Notes

Dear parents and carers,

On Monday, we started the week with my 'Extraordinary People' assembly which focused on the life of artist David Nott. Some of our Key Stage 2 children really impressed me with their research into his life prior to me discussing him in assembly. His message about his career as a war surgeon was so moving and inspirational "It is very difficult – there's no doubt – but when you can see you make a very real difference, you simply cannot turn your back" His powerful, brave story links to our WINGS values – particularly around being warm-hearted and his life story shows that he endured many dangers in trying to preserve life in harrowing conditions. Next week, we will be reflecting on the life and achievements of Wangari Maathai (an environmental activist and changemaker) so you might want to find out about her life and work in advance!

On Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, we held more of our Reception and Nursery EYFS open days. It was wonderful to meet new families and immerse them in our busy learning environment. Our young visitors were brave and confident and explored every inch of provision – inside and out. They enjoyed meeting our staff and our children. A HUGE shout out to our EYFS team who have clearly got our nursery and reception children safe, settled and happy in their routines and setting – the children's curiosity and enthusiasm grows daily and is a joy to see.

Thank you for your ongoing support with our weekly cake sale. As you know, we are holding the cake sale to fundraise for Paris as school is having to subsidise the trip this year. As with most things in the cost-of-living crisis, the cost of the trip per pupil was significantly more than last time we visited Paris, and we have tried to keep the costs for parents as low as we possibly can. We also have to pay a supplement if we are under the minimum number requirements of the tour operator. Last time, this wasn't as a problem as we hit the minimum number (due to the old Y6 cohort having two classes, so more children were eligible to attend). This time, we haven't hit the minimum number, but we really didn't want to disappoint the children and cancel the trip. Due to these factors, everything we raise in the cake sale is absolutely appreciated.

The achievements and hard work of our pupils never ceases to amaze me. This week, in school, we have had a focus on science and Mr Lownsbrough (our science lead) and I have looked at the children's learning across the school and were delighted to see high quality work and the developing of key scientific skills. The children also take pride in their work and understand the importance of maintaining high standards across the curriculum.

Thank you to those families who have provided feedback via our parental survey – I am in the process of collating your opinions and views and will use this to inform our school development plans. I will summarise findings and report back next week.

Another reminder about the importance of names in coats, jumpers and other personal items. Our children can sometimes be careless with possessions and when they are mislaid it's much easier to reunite them with their owners if they are labelled.

Have a restful weekend and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday morning.

Yours sincerely,  
Mrs Tomkow





## Attendance

### This week's class attendance is:

Reception – 97.67%  
 Year 1 – 96.21%  
 Year 2 – 94%  
 Year 3 – 93.19%  
 Year 4 – 97.71%  
 Year 5 – 91.92%  
 Year 6 – 92.07%

## Jigsaw Award Scroll Winners

### This week's certificates were for:

**'Care about other people's feelings'**

### The winners are:

Nursery – Zena'ya Y  
 Reception – Ayla J  
 Year 1 – Vinicius Z  
 Year 2 – Joshua B  
 Year 3 – Riley B  
 Year 4 – Bella S-S  
 Year 5 – Bethany W  
 Year 6 – William W Y

**Well done for making our school a better place!**



## WINGS Award

### This week's winners are:

Nursery	Mollie S
Reception	Robin H
Year 1	Jack L
Year 2	Ella H
Year 3	Felicity M
Year 4	Reinhard O
Year 5	David B
Year 6	Lily M



## Happy Lunchtime Award

### This week's winners are:

Patrick F	Oliver T
Phoebe B-M	Sennen M
Lucca H	Alissia B
Autumn K	Tia S
Mia W	Lily M



## Timetable Rockstars/Numbots

### This week's stars are:

Reception	Watch this space!
Year 1	Jaxon C
Year 2	Edna B
Year 3	Joel B
Year 4	Abigail W-J
Year 5	Seren B
Year 6	Mollie G



## Class Dojos

### This week's winners are:

Nursery	Sophia M
Reception	Ezra P
Year 1	Dean H
Year 2	Levi L
Year 3	Zachary M
Year 4	Georgia J
Year 5	Amber R
Year 6	Jack A



## Spelling Shed Award

### Last week's stars are:

Year 1	Mya C
Year 2	George J
Year 3	Finley M
Year 4	Kai O
Year 5	Logan L
Year 6	Alissia B

## Friday Fun Nights

13<sup>th</sup> October- Baking Night

20<sup>th</sup> October-Halloween Night

## Suggestion Box

**If there's anything you'd like us to know, or you have any ideas on how we can improve, please let us know in the box below.**