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Robins Lane Primary School Newsletter

19<sup>th</sup> July 2024

# Headteacher's Notes

Dear parents and carers,

Last week, I began the newsletter with this phrase ...'What a week we have had at Robins Lane Community Primary School – I'm not quite sure how we have managed to pack it all in!' little did I realise what this week had in store for us...

As you may be aware, all schools in England are subject to regular visits from OFSTED. During these visits inspectors judge of the quality of education. They make sure that children come to school every day, on time, that they can learn safely and to the best of their ability and ensure that the curriculum meets the children's needs. Robins Lane last had an inspection in 2020 and schools are routinely inspected every 4 years. We were expecting a visit but had, given that it was the last full week of our academic year, decided that this would probably happen in the autumn term of this year. Imagine my shock when I answered the phone to OFSTED on Tuesday morning telling us that we were going to be inspected on Wednesday for two days! Our inspector, Mr Keith Wright carried out a thorough inspection of our school, he watched lessons, looked at books, spoke with children, consulted parents and absorbed himself in Robins Lane life and daily routines. He will now produce a report to summarise his findings. Because of the timings, we won't get our report until late September – I will share the report with you as soon as it is published. I can, however, tell you that Mr Wright said our children were the shining stars of our school – and I couldn't agree more. Thank you to all parents who filled in the parent survey and supported us in our inspection.

On Wednesday, whilst the rest of the school was being inspected, Mr Cox and Year 2 sneaked off to the beach! Year 2 got lucky with the weather as they went to Crosby Beach on their summer term trip. Their aim was to find the 100 cast-iron life size sculptures 'Another Place' by Anthony Gormley. Although they didn't find all 100, they enjoyed seeing classroom learning in real life. While there, the children also had the chance to play in the sand, collect shells and even had an ice cream! After this, linking to their local geography unit, they made a quick stop off at The Dream to eat lunch and complete a treasure hunt. Thank you to Mr Cox and Year 2 staff for organising this amazing outing and to the parent volunteers who helped on this day. It is very much appreciated.

Thank you to all the families who attended our Summer Fayre – it was such a wonderful community event organised by Miss Kanters and our PTFA. I can announce that our Summer Fayre raised £991.52 which when added to our fundraising from Sports Day and the Sutton Park Shield comes to a total of £1,131.70 and our Tough Runner a further £2,076.67. This is an amazing outcome and I would like to thank everyone who participated in the organising and running of events. We are so incredibly lucky that our families and community support us so generously. Thank you.

Today sees 'Robins Lane's Got Talent' in full swing. I have had a few sneak previews but I look forward to watching this event and being in awe at what our children can do. We will share highlights as soon as possible!

Please remember that school is open to the children until 3.15pm on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024** so please be in on time as usual.

Have a wonderful, restful weekend everyone – let's hope the sun keeps on shining.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Tomkow

