

**Robins Lane Primary School Newsletter** 

 $10^{\text{th}}$  January 2025

# Headteacher's Notes

Dear parents and carers,

Happy New Year! I sincerely hope that 2025 brings us all health, happiness, and prosperity.

Well, what a first week back! I cannot believe that this is only week one – it has been extraordinary in so many ways. We have faced many challenges and have seen sub-zero temperatures, freezing fog, snow, wind, sleet, rain, sunshine and even a power cut. It has been unpredictable and has almost caused our country to grind to a halt. Thankfully, we have managed to stay open with heat, light and positivity. The children have been outstanding – the site is a frozen winter wonderland which looks as pretty as a postcard. Unfortunately, the layers of ice mean that conditions underfoot are treacherous and it has not been safe enough to allow the children to play outside. The children have coped so well and I cannot wait to see them enjoying safe playtimes next week where they can benefit from fresh air and time playing with friends. I would also like to thank all our families for your patience, understanding and support. All of the staff have gone above and beyond each day – everyone has managed to get here every day – and the positive comments and camaraderie seen as we have interacted with families on the playground has given everyone a real boost. Thank you!

Despite the weather, lessons have proceeded as usual and the children have quickly got back into the swing of school life. It's always a challenge coming back after a break and some children and staff have taken longer than others to adjust! In my Tuesday assembly, we discussed feeling grumpy and how we can help each other and help ourselves to get back into positive, motivated moods. The children shared many ways from listening to music, to dancing, to having a snooze and playing a game. We discussed the power of reading about inspirational people and how their habits might guide us. I shared the story of American sprinter, Florence Joyner – the fastest woman of all time. Florence, or Flo Jo as she was known, didn't ever want to be defined as one thing – she had so many interests and passions that kept her busy and fulfilled. She never stood still. Truly inspirational.

Mr Lownsbrough has teamed up with Living Streets, a UK charity dedicated to promoting everyday walking. The "WOW - The Walk to School Challenge" for 2024/25 invites pupils to Walk with Imagination, with an amazing range of badges up for grabs. From Bird's Eye View to Road Surfing, there are new and fun designs each month to celebrate active travel achievements. Pupils can earn badges by walking to school at least once a week. This is a wonderful opportunity to promote healthy habits, improve concentration in the classroom, and help reduce traffic around the school gates. Plus, walking is a great way for children to explore their community and enjoy some fresh air before and after school. The initiative will officially launch on Monday, and we can't wait to see as many pupils as possible getting involved. By making the journey to school more active, your child will not only feel better physically, but they'll also feel a sense of pride and accomplishment as they collect their badges and watch their progress throughout the year. We encourage all parents and guardians to support their children in walking to school more regularly, whether it's on foot, by bike, or scooter. Let's make 2024/25 the year we walk more, stay healthy, and have fun!

Thank you again for your support and understanding. Wrap up warm this weekend, stay safe and hope that the big thaw starts very soon.

Yours sincerely, Mrs Tomkow







This week's 100% Attendance Hero is: Sennen M

# Attendance

#### This week's class attendance is:

Reception - 93.6% Year 1 - 92.7% Year 2 - 97.1% Year 3 - 90.3% Year 4 - 88.6% Year 5 - 94.7% Year 6 – 85%

## Jigsaw Award Scroll Winners

#### This week's certificates were for: 'Stay motivated when doing something challenging'

#### The winners are:

Nursery – Olivia H Reception - Tommy F Year 1 – Ava M Year 2 – Logan S Year 3 – Jacob R Year 4 – Alec M Year 5 – Casper D Year 6 – Samuel W

Well done for making our school a better place!



# Timetable Rockstars/Numbots

#### This week's stars are:

Reception	Coming soon!
Year 1	Kayden N
Year 2	Kaitlyn B
Year 3	Edna B
Year 4	Joel B
Year 5	Abigail W-J
Year 6	David A



## **Class Dojos**

#### This week's winners are:

Nursery	Owen L
Reception	Joshua H
Year 1	Zoe J-H
Year 2	Alessia Maya C
Year 3	Lilly A
Year 4	Finley B
Year 5	William Y
Year 6	Bethany W



# WINGS Award

#### This week's winners are:

Nursery	Luna C
Reception	Verity J
Year 1	Lucia J
Year 2	Oscar R
Year 3	Lilly A
Year 4	Riley T
Year 5	Charlie W
Year 6	Ada L



#### Spelling Shed Award This week's stars are:

Year 1	Kayden N
Year 2	James R M
Year 3	Lilah R
Year 4	Lucca H
Year 5	Nathaniel N
Year 6	Bethany W



# Happy Lunchtime Award This week's winners are:

Oliver H	Riley T
Alife-George J	Kai K
Maya A	Theo H
Peyton Q	

# 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.