



Welcome back and a big hello to our new reception children and parents. We hope you all enjoyed your summer break. It is great to hear the buzz of busy children in their new classes and they are looking very smart in their new uniforms.



At this time of year it is great to set good routines and set some good habits for being back to school. One of the main things that will really help your child to have a flying start to the day is for them to arrive in good time so that they are ready to start their school day. Remember doors open at 8.45am!

We have had a few staff changes and would like to welcome our new teachers Mrs King (Year 6) Mrs Pearce (Year 2) and Mr Mussard (Year 3). We also have 2 new members of the TA team Miss Gurung and Mrs Juan.

Susan Smith  
Headteacher



Congratulations to Mrs Bostock and her husband who had their little girl Florence over the summer holiday. Both mum and baby are doing very well.



**DIARY NOTE - OUR FIRST TD DATE HAS BEEN CHANGED TO MONDAY 30th OCTOBER 2023.**

Apologies for this date being changed from Friday 20th October 2023, our staff training provider is only available to deliver training to the staff on 30th October 2023



## Parent Support Advisor

At the start of a new school year I always like to introduce myself to all those families joining us. At Robert Le Kyng we recognise that every child and family situation is unique and that every stage of childhood can present its own challenges, which is when as a parent or carer you may want a little extra support or guidance.

I would encourage all parents/carers to get in touch, to let the school know about anything important that is happening at home. We want our children to be settled and ready to learn and I will support you with any home situation that may affect your child's ability to do this.

As a Parent Support Advisor I can:

- Provide a listening ear to parents/carers in a confidential, non-judgmental way
- Meet parents/carers in school and at home to provide ongoing support
- Work as a link between home and school to foster a positive relationship
- Discuss concerns and help develop strategies to help you, your child and your family around behaviour management, sleep routines, positive parenting, eating habits and toilet training.
- Suggest services and other agencies available who could help and support you in a range of situations
- Refer to food banks and other organisations that provide practical support for those families experiencing financial hardship
- Aid and encourage good attendance
- Assist parents/carers with completing forms for financial assistance

I also organise termly school uniform 'swap shops' where parents can access free, good quality used uniform, but more information on those will follow in future newsletters!

**As always, I am here to offer support & advice to all parents of children here at RLK. Parents/carers do not need to be referred but instead can contact me directly via the school office, or by emailing [psa@robertlekyng.swindon.sch.uk](mailto:psa@robertlekyng.swindon.sch.uk)**

**Drop in sessions happen every Tuesday. Please email me or ring the office if you would like to book a slot to discuss any issues, big or small, regarding parenting.**



## RLK Safeguarding Newsletter

### **NSPCC's *Speak out. Stay safe.* Programme**

I am pleased to inform you that we are participating in the **NSPCC's *Speak out. Stay safe. Programme*** this term. *Speak out. Stay safe.* is a programme for children aged 5-11 which aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a safe adult or Childline.

This child friendly programme is aligned with the curriculum and consists of age appropriate virtual assemblies and supporting classroom based activities which we have reviewed, alongside NSPCC volunteer led face to face workshops for children in Years 5 and 6. The content is delivered in an engaging and interactive way with the help of the NSPCC mascot Buddy. If you would like to know more about the *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme visit [www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout).

### **Additional NSPCC resources for families to help keep children safe**

The NSPCC have shared some important information below on wider NSPCC resources and support to help keep children safe.

#### **Parent/Carer support**

Take a look at information, support, advice and activities from NSPCC for parent and carers.

[www.nspcc.org.uk/parents](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/parents)

#### **Activities to extend learning at home**

Take part in games and activities at home to help children learn about speaking out and staying safe.

[www.nspcc.org.uk/activities](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/activities)

#### **Online Safety Hub**

For information on a range of different online safety topics including gaming, social media, sharing images, parental controls and more.

[www.nspcc.org.uk/online-safety](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/online-safety)

#### **Childline – under 12's**

Childline have an accessible website with advice, support, games and activities. Children can change the language, enlarge text and also listen to the content.

[www.childline.org.uk/buddy](http://www.childline.org.uk/buddy) (5-7)  
[www.childline.org.uk/kids](http://www.childline.org.uk/kids) (7-11)

#### **Talk PANTS with your children**

Talk PANTS is a simple conversation to help keep children safe from sexual abuse. From P through to S, each letter of PANTS provides simple but important messages.

Download the free resources at [www.nspcc.org.uk/pants](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/pants).

I hope you find this information about the NSPCC and the *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme helpful. Please do contact the school if you have any further questions.



## \*\*\*CALLING ALL DOODELRS AND DESIGNERS\*\*\*

It's competition time!!!! [#wiltshirepolice](#) and the [#wiltshireandswindonpcc](#) will be running a month-long design a logo competition during the month of Sept 2023!

We WANT young people aged 5 - 18, to design a LOGO for our Check It Out website: <https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/check-it-out/CIO-Introduction>

Have you got super doodle powers to create a logo? Or just love drawing, colouring or painting, whatever you like to do - please send us in your logo design ideas, for our Check It Out Website.

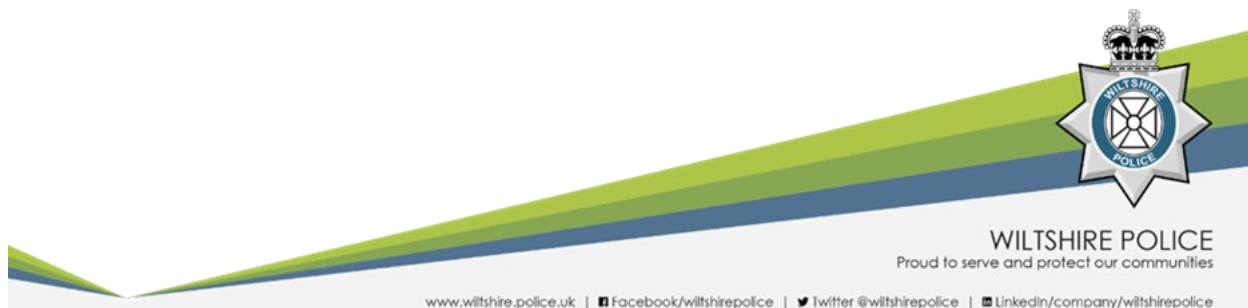
1st place prize is a £50 Lifestyle Voucher  
1st runner up - £25 voucher Amazon Voucher  
2nd runner up - £25 voucher One4All Voucher

### How to Apply:

Once you have designed and completed your logo, email your entry to: [SwindonYouth@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:SwindonYouth@wiltshire.police.uk) Entries after 31/08/2023 will not be counted. You must be aged 5 - 18 to take part in the competition. To collect your prize, you may be asked to verify your age.

Once all entries are in, the winner will be chosen by our Wiltshire and Swindon Youth Commission Group. Winner announced in Sept 2023.

Good luck and we can't wait to see the artwork of young people, in Swindon and Wiltshire!





## Supporters

**Sign up with**  **easyfundraising**

As mentioned in the last newsletter, the RLK Supporters have now registered with a new scheme called Easyfundraising. This scheme is linked to many online retailers, who donate a small percentage to the RLK Supporters fund when you shop online.

To register to donate to the RLK Supporters' fund while purchasing, click on the link below. Then click on 'sign up and support our cause' and follow the instructions on screen. The instructions may be different depending on the device you register on.

[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/robert-le-kyng-school-supporters?&utm\\_source=adminact22sharebox](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/robert-le-kyng-school-supporters?&utm_source=adminact22sharebox)

Each time you shop with [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) they will automatically make a donation to the RLK Supporters' charity. You do not need to select the charity each time. If at any time you wish to donate to a different charity, click on 'Change charity' and you can search for a different charity to support.

When the RLK Supporters' fund receives the donations they will appear as completely anonymous. We receive no information about the accounts from where purchases have been made.

Please pass this information onto any family or friends who you feel would like to help the RLK Supporters in their fundraising.

Thank you

The Robert le Kyng School Supporters

We're teaching  
every child to  
read with



We have spent the summer preparing to introduce our new phonics and early reading programme—watch this space for more information in the coming term.



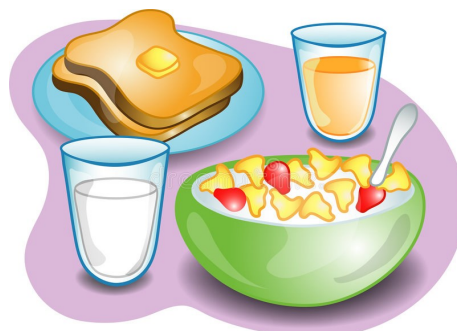




Our breakfast club is open from 8am every school day. To book a space please contact the school office.

A number of different activities are available each day and of course breakfast.

Booking and paying in advance for the next term attracts a 20% discount on the price.



Did you know that we have a Facebook page?



Just search for 'Robert le Kyng Primary School' on Facebook, look for the RLK school logo and select 'Like' to follow our page.

We use this page for general updates, photos and sharing of useful education based Facebook links.



Please note that the main platform for school communication is Parentmail, telephone calls and the school office email address. (The Facebook page does not allow messages between parents and school and any personal posts added will be removed)

There have been occasions when emails sent to the office have not been received. Can you please ensure that all correspondence is sent to **[officerlk@robertlekyng.swindon.sch.uk](mailto:officerlk@robertlekyng.swindon.sch.uk)**