

We have had new email addresses rolled out across RLK and have a new email address for all correspondence which is

**[officerlk@robertlekyng.bluekitetrust.org](mailto:officerlk@robertlekyng.bluekitetrust.org)**



We are delighted to share with you that Mr Fannin and his wife had a very exciting half term welcoming their second child, a daughter whom they named Mary.

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Can I please remind you that doors to all classrooms are open from 8.45am and close at 8.55am.

Unfortunately the number of children coming in late is increasing and they are losing valuable learning time. Often the class is disrupted too when children arrive late.



We are very proud to have had the opportunity to collect your donations for The Swindon Food Collective team to then distribute to those in need, helping individuals and families.

Thank you for your continued support.





# Parent Support Advisor

Here we are at the start of Term 2, with many children mentioning Christmas already! It's also that time of the year where we start to put our heating on and for many families the cost of this adds to already stretched finances. Please remember that I am able to refer families to the Foodbank to get you through a difficult financial period, and there are lots of other organisations out there that (if you meet their criteria) can help with everything from essential furniture to school shoes! It's always worth asking if you're experiencing financial hardship and in need of assistance.

I've also spoken to a lot of parents recently struggling with their children's behaviour at home, often linked to using an iPad or tablet or other gaming console. The key to managing this is having boundaries around how and when it is appropriate and sticking to them! The one time you need the children occupied so you give in and let them have a bit longer, means the next ten times they will push and argue for more. Consistency is key and there are lots of apps that can help with regulating the time devices are used and the content the children can access, although nothing can replace an adult when it comes to taking away the devices at night! I've attached a really helpful guide from the National Online Safety network around setting boundaries, but again if you'd like to discuss this please get in touch.

**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.**

**Tara Ward - Parent Support Advisor**

Do you have any spare wellies at home? We would be very grateful for some spare pairs and are specifically in need of size 10 or 11 for some of our children in KS1. If you have any spares please bring along to the office.



**REMINDER**—The deadline for ordering individual and sibling photo's is midnight on Monday 6th November. All orders placed after this date will incur a £4 delivery charge.

## RLK Safeguarding Newsletter

### Anti-Bullying Week

You may be aware that the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> November is National Anti-bullying Week. The campaign is organised by the Anti-bullying Alliance to raise awareness of all aspects of bullying. This year the theme is 'Make a noise about bullying'.

At Robert le Kyng, issues around bullying form part of the P.S.H.E. programme we follow during the year. In addition to our usual P.S.H.E. activities, the children will be involved in different activities that promote ways of speaking out or 'making a noise' to help those involved in and affected by bullying.

**The week will start with an 'Odd Socks Day' so we are encouraging everyone in school to wear odd socks to school on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November to celebrate how we are all unique.** Please do not go out and buy new socks, just mix up two pairs of different socks! We are looking forward to seeing everyone's odd socks on the Monday and taking part in a range of activities during the week.

More information about the campaign can be found on the following website:

[anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk](https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk)

Mrs Beale

P.S.H.E. Subject Lead



### **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November is Children in Need Day.**

The Children in Need charity raises money which is used to fund projects involving children who are less fortunate than others. In previous years the children at Robert le Kyng have participated in lots of different activities to raise money for this cause.

This year the theme is 'Be SPOTacular!' so we would like the children to wear their uniform as usual, but include one spotty item, such as a sock. Please do not buy anything special to wear.

We will be collecting donations of coins in school on that Friday. The money raised will be forwarded to the

Children in Need charity. We do hope that you will be able to support our fundraising effort and we look forward to seeing how 'SPOTacular' the children look on the Friday.



## Panathlon Winners



A team of children from our Snug and other superstars took part in the Swindon Panathlon Challenge.

In a series of events our school won the title. The children were delighted with their trophy and medals.

A big well done to them all!

Messy church is a family worship initiative run by the Old Town Partnership of Churches in Swindon (Christ Church CofE, Bath Road Methodist Church, and Immanuel United Reformed Church, see <https://www.sotpc.org.uk>).

Messy Church takes place on the 1st Sunday of each month at Bath Road Methodist Church 3.00pm-4.30pm. Activities are aimed at families with children aged 0-10 who attend together, with worship and tea & cake. (No unaccompanied children please).



This Sunday, 5th November, our theme is Light Up The Darkness .



**1-1 Instrumental music lessons at school, online or at home.**

Piano, Drama, Guitar, Woodwind, Brass and Strings.

**Swindon Music Co-operative - providing 1-1 instrumental lessons in schools across Swindon and Wiltshire since 1998.**



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More information

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We are proud to be supporting the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal this year. Some of the Year 6 children will be selling poppy merchandise before & after school each day or it is also available from the main office.



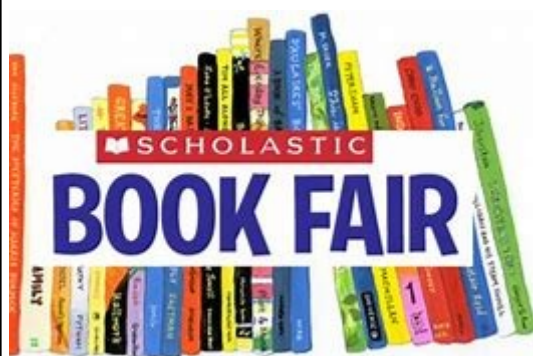


## Supporters

**Reading for Pleasure** - At Robert Le Kyng we are always looking for ways to promote reading for pleasure and we are often asked by the children for recommendations of what they could read next. As well as using our knowledge of books, we also use websites to find ideas for quality children's books. If you are looking for ideas for what your child might like to read next, this website would be a good place to start. They have lots of booklists based on different year groups, non-fiction topics, newly published books and seasonal reads.

<https://www.booksfortopics.com>

Look out for more reading for pleasure hints in our next newsletter.



### Book Fair

The book fair will be returning to school in November. **It will be held in the hall after school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>, Friday 10<sup>th</sup> and Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November.** In the past the school has benefited greatly from the commission on each book we sell and the children enjoy reading the new books that the school receives. We will be able to take both cash payments and card payments via your mobile phone. We hope that you will be able to come along with your children and support us.

**The Supporters Christmas Fair will be held on Saturday 9th December from 2pm to 4pm.**

Please let us know if you or a company you work for is able to donate a prize for the prize draw. Look out for more information on parentmail next week.



Thank you

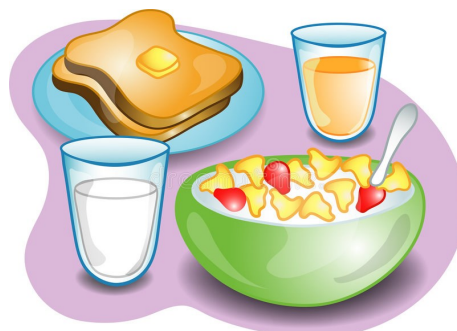
The Robert le Kyng School Supporters



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)



## **TD DAYS**

The remaining TD days for this school year are :

Wednesday 3rd January 2024

Monday 19th February 2024

Thursday 28th March 2024

Friday 28th June 2024