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## Half term and TD Day:

We hope you all have a restful week over the half term break. We have a TD day tomorrow (Friday 14th) and will return to school on **Tuesday 25th February** as we have a staff Blue Kite training day for staff on Monday 24th.

## Winter Access Day

Last week a group of our children were taken to the County Ground Sports Dome to take part in the Swindon Access Day involving more than 80 children from primary and secondary schools across Swindon. This event highlights the importance of inclusive sports, allowing children to experience the joy and pride of representing their schools in a competitive environment.

They were able to try a variety of sports and really challenged themselves. They all came back to school with a medal and certificate. Well done to all the children and everyone involved!

Our Year 6 dancers gave an amazing performance at the Wyvern Theatre last week. The 15 children had practiced really hard with Kayla from 2Step Dance Academy during school sessions and this really paid off on the night. Mr Barnett was fortunate to be in the audience and see them on the stage and said 'it was a pleasure to see'. Thanks to all the staff who helped, to Kayla for training them and to all the parents for their support. Well done!!





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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.

## TOP TIPS FOR BEING ON TIME

### BE PREPARED

Pack your bag & lay out your uniform the night before.



LIGHTHOUSE

### SET YOUR ALARM

Invest in a good alarm clock & make sure it's set for the morning. Mobile phone alarms are not always reliable.

### EAT BREAKFAST

Breakfast sets us up for the day! If you don't have time for breakfast at home, ask your school about Breakfast Club.



### LIMIT SCREEN TIME

Limit the use of phones, iPads & TV in the mornings to allow plenty of time for your journey to school.



# Parent Support Advisor

In my role I am able to offer advice and support with certain unwanted behaviours that parents are experiencing with their children. In the course of a meeting, I try to gain a picture of how often these behaviours happen and what the events leading up to them were and recently I have recommended the **My Family Journal** app to several families.

The free app is a simple way of logging events, much like a diary and you can put as much or as little detail as you like. It's really helpful to look back and get a picture of a typical week/month and it can also help us refocus on many positive behaviours that often gets overshadowed by one or two major negative events!

If you are experiencing some challenges at home and would like support or strategies to deal with certain situations, our next Happy Homes course in the Trust will be running on Tuesday mornings at 9am at Ferndale School from 25th February to 1st April. If you would like to book a place please contact me.

Also this week Dr Sharma, Community Paediatrician at GWH has released a public talk about ADHD in children. It's well worth a listen if you think it may be relevant to you and can be found here <https://youtu.be/py-p4QQvkNA>

**As always, I am here to offer support and 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.**

**In addition to Tuesday morning drop in sessions, I also open the school library on Mondays until 4pm where I am also available to discuss any issues.**

**Tara Ward - Parent Support Advisor**



## **RLK Safeguarding**

### **Child Criminal Exploitation (CCE)**

Please see the information below taken from the Barnardos website.

#### **What is child criminal exploitation (CCE)?**

Criminal exploitation is when an individual or a group manipulates, deceives, coerces or controls someone under the age of 18 to take part in any activity which breaks the law. All children are at risk of criminal exploitation, including girls. You may have heard the term "[county lines](#)," this is one form of criminal exploitation. It is when people involved in criminal activity identify, target and befriend children, either online or offline, and manipulate them into dealing drugs or other activities across geographical areas.

Criminal exploitation can take many forms, from making children hold, hide or deliver drugs, money or weapons, to forcing children to steal, harm others or beg. Children can also be exploited in other ways, such as through sexual exploitation. Sometimes a child can be exploited criminally and sexually at the same time.

#### **How are children criminally exploited?**

Exploitation is a form of abuse, and it happens when those who want to harm, do so. A child is never to blame for being exploited. All children are at risk of being criminally exploited.

However, some young people may be more at risk because they have more unmet needs that exploiters will use to manipulate and control them. This might include those who have experienced previous abuse, are homeless, are misusing alcohol and drugs, have special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), are in care, are out of education, have run away/ gone missing from home or care, or are involved with a gang ([Barnardo's hosted Centre of expertise on child sexual abuse](#), 2021).

When a child is trafficked or criminally exploited, this can involve the use of violence or fear of violence towards the child or their family. But this is not always the case.

For more information, including a comprehensive list of signs and indicators that a child may be being criminally exploited, see [Criminal exploitation of children | Barnardo's \(barnardos.org.uk\)](#)

If you have any concerns, please contact the RLK Safeguarding Lead Mrs Smith or the Deputy safeguarding Leads Mrs Fisher & Mrs Ward. Alternatively, the NSPCC helpline, Childline and the police are able to offer advice and support if you are concerned about a child. However, if you think a child is being harmed or in immediate danger of being harmed dial **999** or contact your local authority social care department.

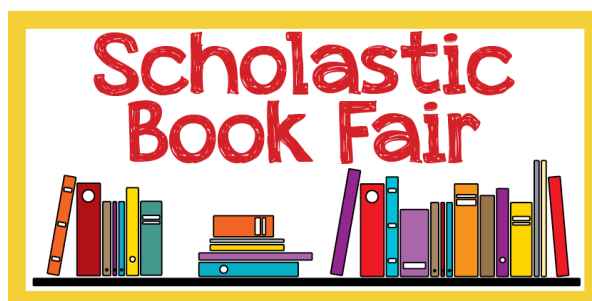


## Reading for Pleasure

World Book Day will soon be here – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March. As in previous years, the children will receive their World Book Day Voucher which can be used in exchange for one of the books specially printed for World Book Day. Alternatively, the voucher can be used towards the cost of a children's book, reducing the price of the book by £1. Watch out for more information about World Book Day after the half term break.

## Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be returning on Tuesday March 11<sup>th</sup>. The books will be on sale on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>, Friday 14<sup>th</sup> and Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March. As in previous years, you will be able to use your child's World Book Day voucher towards the cost of their book. We look forward to seeing you there!



## SUPPORTERS NEWS

### Easter Raffle

Our first two Easter raffles have been so popular that we've begun planning the next one! Watch out for more details after the half term break.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**SATURDAY**



**2-4PM**



If you have any ideas for events we could hold or would like to know a little more about what we do please see Mrs Beale or email the Supporters at [supporters@robertlekyng.bluekitetrust.org](mailto:supporters@robertlekyng.bluekitetrust.org)



## SWINDON DANCE

A DAY OF WORKSHOPS

## BOYS INSPIRATION DAY

FOR MALE IDENTIFYING 7-16 YR OLDS



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### 2024 -2025 remaining TD DAYS

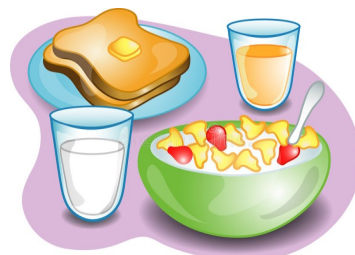
**14th February**

**24th February**—School closed  
Blue Kite Trust  
Collaboration  
Day

**27th June**

Our breakfast club is open from 7.45 am every school day. Please contact the office if you'd like to book a space for your child.

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 Parent-mail, 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)