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Half term and TD Day:

We hope you all have a restful week over the half term break. Don't forget that we have a TD day tomorrow (Friday 13th Feb) and a training day on Monday 23rd Feb.

We will return to school on **Tuesday 24th February**



REMINDER

In communication previously shared with you, Swindon Borough Council have scheduled Westcott Place to be closed to traffic from **Monday 16th February 2026 for 5 working days**

Wyvern Dance Festival



Our Year 6 gave a wonderful performance at the Wyvern Theatre on Monday evening. The children showed a lot of courage performing in front of a huge crowd and our dance was well received. The children were rightly very proud of themselves. Well done and thank you to Miss Kayla for all of her hard work training the children.



We have had a very busy term of sport at RLK. We have won the Swindon Boccia Tournament and the Panathlon Tournament. Well done to our children.

We then entered three teams in to the Swindon Hockey Competition and our A Team won, beating St Francis 3-0 in the final. However, our B and C teams also performed brilliantly and only lost 1-0 to the St Francis team that got to the final. Well done to all our teams. We also had a B

Team Football Tournament. Our team drew three games and lost one. The team did extremely well and really enjoyed the experience. We also had 19 children take part in the Wyvern Theatre Dance Festival. The children battled their nerves and gave a fantastic performance in front of the huge crowd. Well done to all our children for their success and outstanding behaviour and sportsmanship.

Our Year 5 children will soon be off to PGL for their residential from Monday 2nd March to Wednesday 4th March. Fingers crossed we get some slightly better weather!

Finally, thank you to all the parents who filled out the Traffic Survey. This survey has been sent to Swindon Council. We are looking at a number of ideas but we will definitely be taking part in The Safer Streets Initiative to promote more walking and cycling. Our School Council is also going to have a meeting with Chris Watts our local councillor to discuss other options.

Mr Barnett



There is a new process for making payments on Parentmail. Please select:

- Accounts & Products
- Products
- Select item
- Select child's name
- Add to cart
- Checkout



We have had another successful term of Freewheelers after school club at RLK, we now have 7 new cyclists who have graduated and can now ride a bike! This programme is only able to take place thanks to grant funding from Sport England's Movement Fund. Next term we'll have another set of students learning to ride after school on Mondays, as well as an 'Improvers' session on a Wednesday for the students who have graduated from the learn to cycle sessions.

Look at what is going on at Moredon Sporting Hub during half term...



DITCH THE STABILISERS!

Group learn-to-cycle sessions for kids

Moredon Sporting Hub, Swindon, SN2 2QJ

Wednesday 18th February:

9:30 - 10:30, 10:45 - 11:45,
13:45-14.45 (SEN) & 15:00-16:00

£5.00 per child, bikes & helmets included (or bring your own)

Booking Link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/swindon-cycle-campaign-61575400583>



CYCLING AT MOREDON

Main Cycle Track

Half Term (16th - 22nd February)

| | 9:00 | 9:30 | 10:00 | 10:30 | 11:00 | 11:30 | 12:00 | 12:30 | 13:00 | 13:30 | 14:00 | 14:30 | 15:00 | 15:30 | 16:00 | 16:30 | 17:00 | 17:30 | 18:00 | 18:30 | 19:00 | 19:30 | |
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| Mon | Cycle 4 Fitness | | Limitless Adults | | Community Private Session | Just for Fun Kid's Club | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tue | Ladies Social Cycling | | Cycle 4 Fitness | | Kid's Club | Family Cycling | | Cycle 4 Fitness | First Gear | | Triathlon Club Night | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wed | | | Kid's Learn to Cycle | | Just for Fun Kid's Club | SEN Learn to Cycle | | to Cycle | | Cycle 4 Fitness | Adult Club Night | Palmer Park | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Thu | Cycle 4 Fitness | | Limitless Adults | | Just for Fun Kid's Club | Family Cycling | | Cycle 4 Fitness | First Gear | | Running Club | Cycle Stars | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fri | Cycle 4 Fitness | | Family Cycling | | Limitless Cycle 4 Fitness | Just for Fun Kid's Club | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sat | First Gear Cycle 4 Fitness | | Cycle 4 Fitness Improvers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sun | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Cyclocross Area
FREE to use anytime

MSH Mini Roads
Fox Cycling sessions 18th, 19th & 21st Feb
FREE to use any other time!

Pump Track
FREE to use anytime



For more information or to book a session see our website:
www.centrawindonnorth-pc.gov.uk/moredon-sporting-hub

Alternatively email via moredon@centrawindonnorth-pc.gov.uk or call us on 01793 466499





Parent Support Advisor

Children's Mental Health week

This week is Children's Mental Health week and to mark this there have been some really good resources released by various organisations that support mental health. The Charlie Waller Trust has designed a Wellbeing Action Plan for children to help them identify their own challenges and what works for them - it can be found here: <https://charliewaller.org/mental-health-resources/wellbeing-action-plan-for-children>.

The week is organised by Place2Be and their website has lots of resources for families to work through together [Families and communities - Children's Mental Health Week](#), some of which might help pass the time during the half-term if this rain continues!

In school, we are fortunate to have a number of ways of supporting our children with their mental health - we have four members of staff trained as ELSA's (Emotional Support Assistants) as well as Talking Lego groups and Drawing and Talking interventions. We are also able to refer on to other agencies if we feel it is appropriate.

As always, if you have any concerns about your child please discuss it with their class teacher in the first instance, or email me and I can liaise with them.

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.bluekitetrust.org

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

REMINDER — Classroom doors open at 8.45am. You must stay with your child until the teacher opens the classroom door, unless your child is in Year 5 or 6 and you have given permission for them to walk to school.

Thank you



SAFEGUARDING

What is Neglect?

Neglect is the ongoing failure to meet a child's basic needs and the most common form of child abuse. It is also the most commonly mentioned form of abuse by adults contacting the NSPCC helpline. A child might be left hungry or dirty, or without proper clothing, shelter, supervision or health care. This can put children and young people in danger and it can also have long term effects on their physical and mental wellbeing.

Neglect can be a lot of different things, which can make it hard to spot, but broadly speaking there are 4 types of neglect:-

- **Physical neglect** – not having basic needs like food, clothing or shelter met or they aren't properly supervised or kept safe
- **Educational neglect** – a parent doesn't ensure their child is given an education by regularly attending school, on time
- **Emotional neglect** – when a child doesn't get the nurture and stimulation they need. This could be through ignoring, humiliating, intimidating or isolating them
- **Medical neglect** – a child isn't given proper health care, including dental care or medical recommendations are refused or ignored.

Neglect can be really difficult to spot and having one of the signs doesn't necessarily mean a child is being neglected. However, if you notice multiple signs that last for a while, they might show a serious problem. Children and young people who are neglected may have:

- **Poor hygiene and appearance** – being dirty, hungry, having unwashed clothes or the wrong clothes for the season/weather
- **Health and development problems** – medical or dental issues, regular illnesses or infections, skin issues, weight issues, poor language or social skills or repeated accidental injuries caused by lack of supervision
- **Housing and family issues** – living in an unsuitable home environment, such as having no heating or bedding
- **Change in behaviour** – missing school, becoming aggressive or withdrawn, finding it hard to concentrate.

For more information on neglect please check out the NSPCC website [Neglect is also Child Abuse: Know All About It | NSPCC](#), or you can contact the NSPCC Helpline on 0808 800 5000. If you are worried about a child at Robert Le Kyng, you can speak to Mrs Smith, Mrs Ward or Mrs Fisher, the school Safeguarding Leads.

RLK Supporters News

Easter Raffle

A reminder that the Easter Raffle will be held at the end of next term. Look out for more details after the half term break.

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 using supporters@robertlekyng.bluekitetrust.org

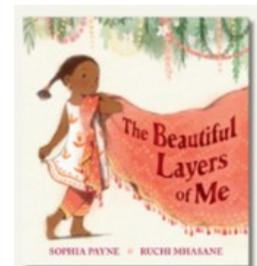
Come along and find out what we do!

**Date for your diary - the Summer Fair will be on
Saturday 20th June 2-4pm**



Reading for Pleasure

At Robert le Kyng we are always looking for ways to engage children in reading activities. The Year 1 children have recently been acting as judges for the Children's Choice picture book award organised by the charity Inclusive Books for Children. The children enjoyed sharing and talking about the five different shortlisted books and then each child chose which book was their favourite. The votes will then be sent back to the organising group, where an overall winner will be selected.





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)

2025—2026 TD DAYS

1st September

3rd November

13th February

23rd February - School closed
Blue Kite Trust
Collaboration Day

22nd May

26th June

Every Friday afternoon all surplus fruit, veg and milk cartons will be put out in the KS2 playground for you to help yourselves.

