

Robins Lane Primary School Newsletter

## $2^{\text {nd }}$ February 2024

## Headteacher's Notes

Dear parents and carers,
After what felt like the longest month ever, we have finally entered into the shortest month... the long-awaited February. This year, as it is a leap year, February has 29 days. This is a difficult concept for children to understand so have a chat with your child to see what their version is - I would be interested to hear their explanations!

On Tuesday, I continued my assembly focus on inspiring, 'Extraordinary People’ by discussing mathematician and codebreaker Alan Turing. The children listened to how Alan's fascination with maths and science ultimately led to him perfecting a code breaking machine known as 'The Bombe'. His work with this machine meant that the government was able to intercept plans and get information which resulted in WW2 being shortened and millions of lives being saved. In 1950, he devised the TURING TEST to see whether a computer could fool you into thinking it was a human - his idea of building an intelligent computer remains an inspiration to developers today. We finished our assembly by considering how we challenge ourselves, strive to succeed in our learning and never give up.

On Wednesday, 8 very excited pupils, from Year 3 and Year 4 visited Broadway Badminton Centre to participate in a Dodgeball tournament. The aim of the tournament was for the pupils to develop sport specific skills and increase motivation within the sport as well as foster social connections. These social skills were clearly evident to all at the competition and every school nominated our amazing pupils for being genuine when participating in every game. In addition to this, the pupils were striving to succeed in every match which led to them finishing the tournament first place - we are so proud of their achievements - what a
team! Congratulations to coach Lownsbrough and to Mrs Weeks and Ms Laycock for keeping our children safe on their outing.
Today, Robins Lane Community Primary School was transformed into the School of Rock. 'NSPCC ROCKS! Number Day' is an annual campaign organised by the charity NSPCC which encourages children to get involved in number-based activities. Children were invited to 'Dress up for Digits', or to be a 'TTRS Rockstar' to support this event. It was incredible to see how our families invested in this day and the school was awash with Mohicans, tattoos and leather! As part of our commitment to make maths exciting and high profile in our school, classes participated in maths activities throughout the day inspiring children to learn about numbers and maths all around us, in a variety of ways. Some classes took part in a friendly TTRS competition involving schools in the United Kingdom. The winning classes in the school and in the whole competition will be the ones with the highest average - the results will be announced next week - please keep everything crossed for us! Any voluntary donations towards this life changing charity event would be welcomed and can be made online via: www.nspcc.org.uk/support-us

Finally, yet another plea to ensure that our school site is a safe, calm and happy place where children's safety is priority. It is crucial that we all make a concerted effort to be patient and considerate on our very busy car park and respect the right of blue badge holders to use designated spaces. Some of our children's parents and carers rely on the designated spaces being free to enable them to safely transport them into and out of school. I have taken advice from Merseyside Police and have invited St Helens Local Authority Traffic and Road Safety to assess the situation. Please report any incidents and avoid confrontations. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Have a wonderful weekend. Try to make the most of the daylight hours and aim to get lots of fresh air and to spend quality time together as a family.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Tomkow

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## Attendance

This week's class attendance is:
Reception-97\%
Year 1-95.33\%
Year 2-91\%
Year 3 - 95.67\%
Year 4-94.72\%
Year 5 -93.57\%
Year 6 - 90.97\%

## Jigsaw Award Scroll Winners

This week's certificates were for:
'Having a positive attitude'

## The winners are:

Nursery - Mollie S
Reception - Ava M
Year 1 - Peyton Q
Year 2 - Noah G
Year 3 - Bella S-S
Year 4 - Oliver K
Year 5 - Bethany W
Year 6 - Alyssa C

## Well done for making our school a better place!

## Timetable Rockstars/Numbots

This week's stars are:

| Reception | Harper U |
| :--- | :--- |
| Year 1 | James O |
| Year 2 | Edna B |
| Year 3 | Alec M |
| Year 4 | William Y |
| Year 5 | David A |
| Year 6 | Mollie G |

## Class Dojos

This week's winners are:

| Nursery | William G-A |
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| Reception | Jaxon H |
| Year 1 | Abel W |
| Year 2 | Regan C |
| Year 3 | Zachary M |
| Year 4 | Alfie B |
| Year 5 | Oliver H |
| Year 6 | Jessica O |

## Spelling Shed Award

Last week's stars are:

| Year 1 | Audrey M |
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| Year 2 | Sennen M |
| Year 3 | Joel B |
| Year 4 | Isla F |
| Year 5 | Evie D |
| Year 6 | Rupert W |

## WINGS Award

This week's winners are:

| Nursery | Joshua O |
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| Reception | Ezra P |
| Year 1 | Bobby M |
| Year 2 | Junior M |
| Year 3 | Patrick F |
| Year 4 | Yesandi W |
| Year 5 | Finnley N |
| Year 6 | Daisy A |

## 11 Happy Lunchtime Award

 This week's winners are:| Mya C | Finnley N |
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| Isla F | Harvey H |
| Felipe Z | Eris L |
| Riley F | Oliver G |

## Friday Fun Nights

Friday 9 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ February- Valentine's crafts
Friday $23^{\text {rd }}$ February- Make your own keyring
Friday ${ }^{\text {st }}$ March- Mosaic making
Friday $8^{\text {th }}$ March- Mask making
Friday $15^{\text {th }}$ March- Bracelet making
Friday $22^{\text {nd }}$ March- Film night (full session required)

## 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.

