



## Robert Miles Infant School

May 2018

## Summer Uniform

Now the summer is here children are allowed to come to school in sandals. We do not allow flip flops and ask that the sandals are appropriate for school and do not have heels. Some children seem to be coming to school wearing items that are not school uniform. Please can we remind you that children need to wear...

- School jumpers/cardigans/hoodies
- Grey/black school shorts
- Grey/black pinafore or skirt
- School dress (blue and white)

## Change of Dates

Due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to change a couple of dates for the end of term.

**16<sup>th</sup> July: Leaver's Evening Concert.**  
**17<sup>th</sup> July: Leaver's Assembly 2pm.**

## The Royal Wedding

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May we had a wonderful time celebrating the Royal Wedding. We had a day off timetable learning about Prince Harry and Meghan. We had a competition to design a commemorative plate. Children really went to town on these. Winners were chosen from each class and received a picture book as a prize. We had a street party in the afternoon, where we sang wedding-based songs and had some maypole dancing performances from Sycamore class. Reception performed a wedding ceremony complete with bridesmaids and ring bearers. Even had a visit from Meghan herself! Thank you for all the donations of cakes. As there were so many left over we had an impromptu cake sale and raised £56.16. The children will vote on which charity we send it to.



## Good to be Green

The children have been responding well to our 'Good to be Green' system. This half term the following children were chosen to attend the 'Good to be Green' tea party for their excellent behaviour throughout the half term.

Willow - George B, Ellie J  
Maple - Grace P, Dannika B  
Cedar - Toby L, Chloe S  
Beech - Isla B, Peter W  
Oak - Johnny, Ella  
Sycamore - Matthew L, Caitlin T



## Staff Changes

There will be some staff changes this September and we say goodbye to some familiar faces. Mrs Passmore has secured a position nearer to home, which means she will no longer have an hour's commute each way. She has worked at Robert Miles for nine years and has been a real asset to the school. Her new school are very lucky to have her.

Mr Kent has decided to leave us for personal reasons. For the rest of this term his class will be taught by Mrs Jacques, Mrs Ryan and Mrs Marshall, extending their hours and working together as a team.

We look forward to Mrs Elizabeth Hindmarsh joining the staff; she will be joining us in September as Assistant Head.

## Reception

In Reception, we have had a fantastic term learning about 'Minibeasts'. The children have learned all about the life-cycle of a caterpillar and made some amazing creatures out of clay. One of the highlights of the term was releasing the butterflies into the school gardens after watching them grow and develop from tiny caterpillars! Next term, we start a new topic focusing on books by the children's author, Julia Donaldson. We have a school trip to Sherwood Pines to look forward to as well as beginning the exciting transition into Year 1!



## Year 1

Our topic this half-term has been superheroes! We used the 'Supertato' as a stimulus for our writing in literacy. The children had so much fun making their own super veggies and describing them. We then used them to 'save the day' in our story endings. In DT we designed, made and evaluated our own fruit smoothies – we even learnt how to cut fruit using the bridge hold and the claw grip! We have learnt how to maypole dance this half-term. We have loved learning new routines, making sure we skip with high knees and dance with big smiles on our faces, just like real performers do.



## Year 2

Year 2 have been very busy with their SATs this week. They have been really well behaved and have worked their socks off. As a reward they had a pyjama day on Friday with cakes and games. They have another visit to Toot Hill library coming up: Oak class on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June and Sycamore class on Friday 15<sup>th</sup>, leaving at 1pm. Please let Mr Bown and Miss Woodhouse know if you are free to accompany them.

## Junior Choir

We were lucky enough to have a performance from Robert Miles Junior Choir last month. They were an absolute joy and we would like to thank them and their teachers for such a treat.

## Eco News

Thank you to all the parents and children who came to help at our Eco Evening. We worked very hard to clear the wildlife area of sticky weed and cleared all the autumn leaves from the sensory garden. Dates for next half term are Thursday 14th June and Thursday 5th July.

Thank you for the kind donation of £250 from Councillor Purdue Horan that will be used for the greenhouse project.

## Other News

### Camp

Thank you to Year 2 parents for promptly paying camp deposits. Just a reminder that the balance is due on the first day back (4<sup>th</sup> June).

### GDPR

As you may be aware the new GDPR regulations come into force on the 25<sup>th</sup> May which is why we have had to resend image consent forms. **Any outstanding forms need to be returned to the office ASAP.**

### Amazing Parents

Thank you to Mr Kneafsey who has organised for the Co-op to donate ice-pops for Sport's day.

Mr Walters has agreed to build a potting bench with a group of Toothill DT students.

### Sports Day Helpers

If you would like to help at Sports Day please talk to your child's class teacher. You will be with your children.

### Dancers

If there are any year 1 and 2 children who would like to demonstrate their maypole dancing skills at the School Fair on the 29<sup>th</sup> June please see Mrs Lowings and be available to dance at 6pm.

Year 2 will be performing some of their favourite dances in the Market Place at Bingham Town fair at 10am on Saturday 9th June. Please come and watch them.

## Dates

- 4<sup>th</sup> June: Back to School
- 5<sup>th</sup> June: Mr Gilbey's Assembly for Yr2
- 7<sup>th</sup> June: Empty Classroom Day
- 9<sup>th</sup> June: Bingham Town Fair
- 11<sup>th</sup> June: Yr 1 Tennis Tournament
- 12<sup>th</sup> June: Yr 2 visiting the Juniors - am  
Oak Class visiting Toot Hill - pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> June: New Starters Meeting
- 14<sup>th</sup> June: Eco Evening
- 15<sup>th</sup> June: Yr 1 Tennis Tournament  
Syc class visiting Toot Hill - pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> June: Yr 2 Camp
- 27<sup>th</sup> June: Sports Day
- 29<sup>th</sup> June: Picnic in the Playground 5pm – 8pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> July: Year 2 at Toot Hill Sports Event
- 5<sup>th</sup> July: Eco Evening
- 9<sup>th</sup> July: Whole School Open Afternoon - 2.45pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> July: Year 2 to Visit Juniors  
Whole School Transition Morning
- 13<sup>th</sup> July: Whole School Transition Afternoon  
Reports Out
- 16<sup>th</sup> July: Leaver's Evening Concert
- 17<sup>th</sup> July: Leaver's Assembly 2pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> July: Coffee and Cake for Helpers 10am.



**Summer Crafts for Children**  
Free/low cost crafts, activities, games and family fun that will help you raise happy healthy children

**FREE Workshop for Parents, Carers & Grandparents with children aged 0 up to 5 years**  
at West Bridgford Young Peoples Centre  
Starting **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 until Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018**  
From **1:15pm – 2.45pm**

**WILL help you to:**

- ✓ Learn new crafts to help your child
- ✓ Build positive relationships with your child
- ✓ Save money on expensive play activities

Find out about other FREE courses that will help you with your child's learning and development

To express your interest in the course or for more information please ring Abbey and Lady Bay Children's Centre on 0115 969 4480 or Bingham Children's Centre on 01949 863 840, [spireculture.org.uk](http://spireculture.org.uk)



**SCHOOL RUN CHURCH**

**COFFEE**      **WORSHIP**

MODERN AND FUN CHURCH FOLLOWING SCHOOL FOR PARENTS' CONVENIENCE (All 3:30pm – 4:30pm)

	MAY 9 <sup>TH</sup> : METHODIST CENTRE, BINGHAM
	MAY 15 <sup>TH</sup> : EAST BRIDGFD METHODIST CHURCH
	JUNE 13 <sup>TH</sup> : METHODIST CENTRE, BINGHAM
	JUNE 19 <sup>TH</sup> : EAST BRIDGFD METHODIST CHURCH
	JULY 11 <sup>TH</sup> : METHODIST CENTRE, BINGHAM

**FUN**      **CAKE**



## Friends Fundraising

As you may be aware the Friends Group were raising money for an outdoor canopy. Because of the proposed building of a Hygiene Suite which will have an impact on space available on the playground it has been decided that there may not be room for this. Instead the Friends Committee have liaised with school to think about other areas that the money could be spent on. We will be spending some money revamping the Reception classrooms, buying them some new furniture, outdoor equipment and role-play equipment. In Key Stage 1 the children said they would like some new books, better access to the books and some educational toys to use in Golden Time. The school council also discussed involving the whole school in creating a Robert Miles Infants Wordle, encapsulating all our ideas about what the school means to us. They also suggested some large figures or art work for the hall. We will add photos to the next newsletter. Thank you to everyone who helped to raise the money.

## Friends of Robert Miles

### Non-Uniform Day on Thursday 14th June

Children may come to school in their own clothes for donations to our tombola at the Summer Fair: Reception and Year 1: Examples of donations could be: Glitter, novelty pens, felt tips, crayons, stencils, chalk, novelty rubbers, small pads of paper or coloured paper, a small craft set or pack of stickers. Alternatively you might have other ideas which could be contributed.

Year 2: Bottles - this could be wine, beer, soft drinks, bubble bath, shampoo...

### The School Summer Fair will be on Friday 29th June from 5 - 7pm

This year we invite you to bring your own picnic for a "Picnic in the Playground". Entry will be free - though purchase of raffle tickets will be heavily promoted!

We are again offering small businesses/ individuals the opportunity to have a stall selling their products. Whatever you are selling, whether it be jam, cards, jewellery, toys or gifts this is a great opportunity for advertising and sales. We are charging a fixed rate of only £10 per stall. There are only 5 stalls available and these are on a first come first served basis - two have already been taken! Please contact Friends of the School to secure your stall now.

Email: [friends@rmischool.co.uk](mailto:friends@rmischool.co.uk)

We also need volunteers on the day to run the different activities for set timeslots. To sign up and help please use our new online planning tool - the PTA Social Website. You can sign up to our page and when events are added you will be able to see what tasks need doing (either beforehand or on the day) and sign up for those with which you are able to help - to register please go to <https://app.ptasocial.com/register/brmi>.

There is no obligation to sign up for anything when you register with the website - but you can then see exactly what tasks are needed and choose the slots which work for you. Any questions please email us at [friends@rmischool.co.uk](mailto:friends@rmischool.co.uk).