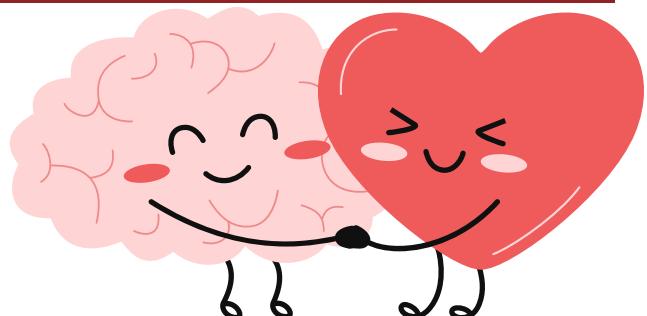


ROBY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

This week we will be taking part in Children's Mental Health Week. Throughout the week, pupils will follow lessons centred on the theme Belonging, exploring what it means to feel included, valued and connected.



Miss Bligh will be delivering yoga workshops across the school to support calmness, body awareness and emotional regulation. Mrs Lyon will circulate practical materials for parents and carers with ideas and activities to support wellbeing at home.

VALENTINE'S DISCOS - THURSDAY 12TH FEBRUARY



We are excited to welcome back Angels & Scallies to host our Valentine's discos **this Thursday**. Tickets are £3 and are available to buy now on Arbor.

Children may come to school in their own clothes; please ensure outfits are suitable for cold weather. EY & KS1 children can purchase sweets for £1; drinks and fruit kebabs are 50p.

KS2 children may bring money to buy sweets, fruit kebabs, drinks, and chips if they wish. As part of our Healthy Schools award, we are offering fruit kebabs as a healthy alternative. Children are not allowed to bring their own sweets.

Disco times (available on Arbor):

- EYFS: 2:00–3:00pm
- Y1–Y2: 3:00–4:00pm
- Y3–Y6: 4:15–5:15pm

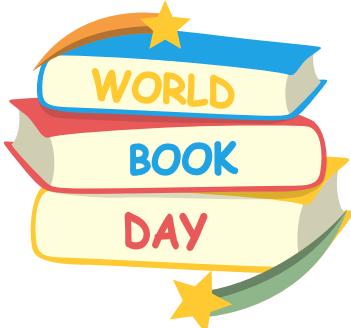
Don't miss out – tickets and full details are on Arbor.



END OF TERM - THIS FRIDAY

This half term ends on Friday at 3pm and our children still have lots of exciting learning ahead of them. Every day truly counts.

WORLD BOOK DAY - THURSDAY 5TH MARCH



World Book Day is on Thursday 5 March. Children are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character, wear their pyjamas, own clothes or stay in school uniform if they prefer.

Pupils will take part in a day of fun, cross-year activities and will have opportunities to mix with peers across the school.

On Friday 6 March, children in Reception-Y6 will enjoy Pinocchio workshops delivered by West End Musicals in Schools. Each class will work with a professional dancer to explore the timeless story through dance, with sessions tailored to each age group. At the end of the day, participating classes will come together to share their work in an abridged performance of the story, accompanied by original music and narration.

Working collaboratively, children will develop their physical literacy, creative expression, communication skills and gain a memorable performing experience.

Workshops are available to purchase on Arbor for £3.

SAFER INTERNET DAY - THIS TUESDAY

For Safer Internet Day, children will be completing dedicated units of learning to help them understand how to keep themselves safe online. These sessions will reassure pupils about what to do if something worries them and how to make positive, safe choices when using technology.



To support families, we will also be circulating helpful materials for parents and carers, along with links to CLC-led parent training sessions. These sessions offer practical guidance so adults can actively help keep their children safe online.

If you would like any further support, please remember that our school website has a dedicated Online Safety section filled with useful links, advice and resources to help you navigate online safety at home.

JUNIOR DUKES ACHIEVEMENTS

Wow! Since our last Junior Duke class meeting in December, to date, our pupils have completed an incredible 116 challenges. What an achievement! We are so proud of the determination, creativity and independence they have shown.

Children will have the opportunity to share their accomplishments with their classmates today, celebrating the skills they've developed along the way. All completed challenges will be signed off by their Duke Leaders today. Well done to every pupil who has taken part – keep going, Junior Dukes.

THANK YOU INEOS

For the past four years, Roby Park has been proud to be part of the Forgotten Forty project led by INEOS. Through this incredible initiative, the company has provided £65,000 of funding, enabling us to bring to life projects that would simply not have been possible within the constraints of a school budget.

Their generosity has helped us to:

- Provide free PE kits for our pupils
- Offer free Rock Band lessons
- Invest in OPAL, achieving Platinum status
- Junior Dukes investment for all
- Transform and resource our EYFS and KS1 outdoor areas
- Funded residential, sleepovers, proms and many other enrichment opportunities that have made a real difference to our children



Sadly, due to rising costs, INEOS is no longer able to continue the Forgotten Forty project across the 99 schools it supports. While we are incredibly disappointed to see the project come to an end, we want to express our deepest thanks to INEOS for everything they have made possible for our school community. Their support has given our children opportunities we could only have dreamed of and the impact will be felt for many years to come.

FUNDED P.E. KITS

Due to the withdrawal of funding from INEOS, we will unfortunately no longer be able to provide free P.E. kits for all pupils. We know this has been a much-valued support for families so we wanted to give as much notice as possible that school P.E. kits will now need to be purchased by parents and carers.

We will continue to keep costs as low as possible by working with suppliers as well as operating pre-loved availability to help promote sustainability as well as supporting families.

YOUNG VOICES PERFORMANCE

It was an absolute pleasure for Mrs Allen, Mrs Lyon and Mrs Tucker to take our Young Voices choir to the concert at Manchester's Co-op Arena on Friday. Fifteen children from across Key Stage 2 sang their hearts out and represented Roby Park brilliantly. They were exceptionally well-behaved, committed and brought a joyful, energetic vibe the whole day.



It was a long day but they gave their very best from start to finish. We are so proud of them. You can catch a glimpse of the fun we had by watching our video on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/7bbKVNnnGgU>

A huge thank you to our wonderful choir for being such stars, to Mrs Tucker for leading the choir so passionately and to Mrs Lyon for safely driving the children to and from Manchester. We truly appreciate you giving up your Friday evening to provide our pupils with such a memorable and enriching experience. Thank you to all of the incredible family members who came to the Arena to support the children and were so complimentary of the show - we are glad you enjoyed it as much as we did!



GOVERNOR COFFEE & CATCH UP SESSION - THIS THURSDAY

Our Governors are keen to build strong relationships with our families and explore how we can work together to continue strengthening our school community and everything we offer our children.

Our Chair of Governors, Kami Lester, will be hosting a coffee morning on Thursday at 9am. If you fancy popping in for a coffee, a pastry and a chat, she'd love to see you there.

You might have ideas you'd like to share with Governors or perhaps you're interested in getting more involved in school life. Going forward, these coffee mornings can focus on themes suggested by parents and carers or even be used to plan and develop potential project ideas together.

#MISSCHOOL #MISSOUT

This week, our children have been bursting with excitement about their learning – a perfect reminder of why regular attendance matters so much.

Ivy has loved exploring the work of different artists and talking about what inspires their creativity. Zia has been thriving in Maths, especially with her number work over the past week. Jamie has enjoyed spending time with our play therapist and sharing how much it helps him.

Learning at Roby Park isn't just important – it's exciting. Every day brings something new to discover, and our children can't wait to tell us what they've enjoyed. They don't want to miss out, and we don't want them to either. Miss school, miss out. Regular attendance is crucial so every child can experience all the wonderful opportunities school offers.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Use your camera to scan the QR code to see who our wonderful stars of the week are. We are proud of our children demonstrating our values of: collaboration, creativity, resilience, reflectiveness, being inquisitive and motivated.



ATTENDANCE RECOGNITION WINNERS



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YR won an afternoon of parachute games! Who will be in with the chance of winning next week?

Our attendance recognition winners this week were YN, YR & Y6 by Sadie Y2, Lara Y3 & Cece Y5.

Miss Waters said, "Well done to the whole class for being super creative in your crazy creations area. You have all made marvelous shields!"

Miss Murphy said, "Well done to all of Reception for taking on your Maths subitising challenge especially Faith and Rory who did not give up!"

Miss Beggs said, "Well done to Lucas for always coming to school with a positive attitude and working to the best of your ability."

REMARKABLE READERS

Well done to our remarkable readers this week. Children get to bring the remarkable reader bag home with a book, hot chocolate, bookmark and pencil.

Children also get to choose a book from our book vending machine.

Children can be selected as our remarkable reader winner by engaging in reading at home and in school. Who will win next week?

