ROBY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

OUR CHRISTMAS CARDS ARE READY!



The children have worked incredibly hard to create their own wonderful Christmas card designs. Families can now view their child's artwork and place an order by logging in to the parent portal at www.mychildsart.co.uk.

Use the code **RobyParkX26** to receive an early-bird discount of 10% on all purchases. The discount code expires at **11:59pm on Friday 27th November 2026**.

Please check the flyer for your child's username and access code, or simply scan the QR code. We can't wait for you to see their fantastic festive creations!



PHOTO DAY ON THURSDAY

This Thursday, we are delighted to welcome Lindy Rogers back to Roby Park to capture photographs of everyday school life.

Please ensure that all children come to school wearing the correct Roby Park active uniform. Children should not wear non-uniform clothing or footwear. We want every child to look smart, feel proud and represent Roby Park as part of one team.

BONUS BALL FRIDAYS



Our Bonus Ball Fridays are just £2 per number. We have now combined the staff and parent Bonus Ball draws, which means an even bigger prize pot for the lucky winner!

Numbers are available on a first come, first served basis on the main playground every Friday, both before and after school.

This year, all profits will go directly towards helping us subsidise enrichment opportunities, educational visits, workshops and residential trips for our pupils.

This week's winning number was 26 which made it a rollover to next week.

Thank you to everyone who supports us each week. Remember, you have to be in it to win it!

DECEMBER FACE COURSES



FACE offers parents practical advice, information and support, across a wide range of topics, including supporting neurodiverse children, understanding emotions and managing behaviour.

Go to facefamilyadvice.co.uk or click here Go to PARENTS – Live talks page.

Accessing the talks free of charge: the Roby Park Primary School access code is RP220925

This can be used by any parents or staff from our school for unlimited access to all the regular FACE Parent Talks (usually £24 each). The code cannot be used on any other FACE services and must not be shared with parents or staff from other schools.

At the payment stage of booking, add the school code where it says ADD PROMO CODE. This will drop the price from £24 to £0.

SHOE BOX OF LOVE APPEAL

This Christmas, we are proud to be an official drop-off point for the Shoebox Full of Love appeal, which supports vulnerable men, women, children and babies across Merseyside.

We are collecting shoeboxes filled with everyday essentials, small gifts and festive treats to help bring comfort and kindness to those who may be struggling this Christmas.

Families can either bring in a completed shoebox containing a range of suitable items, or donate individual items, which our school community will use to create shoeboxes for the appeal.

The deadline for complete shoeboxes is Tuesday 1st December, while the deadline for individual item donations is Wednesday 25th November to allow time for the boxes to be assembled.

Every contribution, no matter how small, will help make a real difference and spread a little love and hope this festive season.

EDUCATE AWARDS



A huge congratulations to our Roby Park team on being shortlisted for the Outstanding Commitment to Sport in Primary Schools Award!

We were delighted to attend the Educate Awards on Friday, which celebrated the incredible work taking place across schools, nurseries and colleges throughout the North West. Although we did not take home the award on this occasion, we were incredibly proud to be named as runners-up, particularly in a year that saw a record-breaking number of entries.

This achievement reflects the dedication of our entire staff team and their commitment to developing our children's health, wellbeing and enjoyment of physical activity. We are extremely proud of everyone who continues to make sport and wellbeing such an important part of life at Roby Park.

Thank you for all your kind and supportive comments. They have meant so much to us and are genuinely appreciated.



AUTUMN PROGRESS MEETINGS

We are excited to welcome all parents and carers into school on Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th November for our Autumn Progress Meetings.

Teachers are looking forward to meeting with you to discuss

your child's progress, celebrate their achievements and share how we are supporting them to thrive at Roby Park.

If you have not yet made an appointment, please log in to Arbor and book your preferred time. These meetings are an important opportunity to talk with your child's teacher and learn more about their progress, so please book promptly to avoid missing out.

ROBY PARK CHRISTMAS JUMPER SWAP



As we begin planning our festive outfits, we would like to encourage our families to recycle, reuse and help us make Christmas a little more sustainable.

If you have any Christmas jumpers or cardigans that your children have outgrown, please consider donating them to school. We will make all donated items available for other parents and carers to choose from ahead of Christmas Jumper Day and our Christmas pantomime.

By passing on our festive clothing, we can help prevent perfectly good items from unnecessarily ending up in landfill, while also helping other families to save money and avoid having to buy something new.

Please bring all clean, freshly washed items to the school office by **3pm on Monday 30th November.**

Parents and carers will be welcome to choose from the donated items on **Tuesday 1st December**. All items will be completely free so please come along and help yourself to what you need.

THANK YOU TESCO!



We would like to say a huge thank you to Tesco for providing Roby Park with funding for free fruit and vegetables. This generous support means that children across the school can enjoy a fresh and healthy snack during their morning break.

Our class fruit trolleys are stocked with a wonderful variety of produce, including apples, bananas, pears, satsumas, plums, watermelon, pineapple, raspberries and blueberries. The children have really enjoyed choosing and trying the different fruits available, with some even discovering new favourites!

Providing free fruit and vegetables helps us ensure that every child has access to a nutritious snack during the school day. It also supports our ongoing commitment to promoting healthy choices, encouraging children to try a varied diet and helping them develop positive habits that will benefit their health and wellbeing.

We are extremely grateful to Tesco for supporting our children and helping us to make healthy food accessible to everyone at Roby Park.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES AND TICKETS



We are looking forward to welcoming families to our wonderful Christmas performances. All performance dates and times have been added to your Arbor calendar and tickets are now available to purchase through Arbor for a donation of just £1 per ticket.

Initially, each family may book up to two tickets for one performance only. This is to ensure that every family has a fair opportunity to see their child perform. When booking, please choose either the morning or afternoon performance.

Any remaining tickets will be released on **Monday 14th December** and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Your £1 ticket donations help us to purchase new costumes for the children and provide hot drinks, mince pies and biscuits for our audiences. Thank you for helping us to make these occasions extra special for everyone.

Performance Dates

- Nursery and Reception: Tuesday 15th December at 10am and 2pm
- Years 1 and 2: Wednesday 16th December at 10am and 2pm
- Years 3 to 6: Thursday 17th December at 10am and 2pm

Please log in to Arbor to choose your preferred performance and purchase your tickets. We cannot wait to share some festive magic with you!

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY



Our Christmas Jumper Day will take place on Thursday 10th December. All children are invited to wear their favourite Christmas jumper to school with their own clothes for the day. Christmas jumpers can be colourful, sparkly, traditional or homemade. There is no need to buy anything new!

We will be collecting a suggested donation of £1 per child for Save the Children, helping to support children in the UK and around the world.

CHRISTMAS FAMILY DINING

Join us for a delicious family Christmas feast and enjoy a traditional Christmas dinner with all the trimmings alongside your child/ren and the school community.

✨ Limited places remain!
📅 Bookings must be made by **midday on Wednesday**.

Please note that food orders will be submitted immediately after this deadline and no additional places can be added after this extended closing date.

Don't miss this special opportunity to share a festive meal together and celebrate the season with us!



WINTER WONDERLAND IS BACK!



Our magical Winter Wonderland returns on **Friday 11th December**, from 1pm until 4pm, and we cannot wait to welcome Roby Park families for an afternoon of festive fun!

Children will be collected at 12.45pm, before families join us to enjoy a fantastic selection of attractions. The Reptile Experience will be returning, alongside Father Christmas in his grotto, fairground rides, real reindeer, festive food and drinks, Christmas market stalls and plenty of seasonal music.

Wristbands are available to purchase now through Arbor.

We hope you will join us and help make this another memorable event for our children and families.



A SPECIAL NEW ARRIVAL

We are delighted to share the wonderful news that Miss Waters and her partner welcomed their beautiful baby boy a little earlier than expected on 13th November at 4am.

Kai David Williams was born weighing 6lb 11oz and both mum and baby are doing well. Miss Waters is enjoying every moment of her precious baby bubble and is looking forward to bringing Kai into Roby Park to meet everyone when the time is right.

We were very fortunate that Miss Hall had already joined us and had begun getting to know the children in her new Nursery cohort ahead of Miss Waters beginning her maternity leave. This has helped to ensure a smooth and familiar transition for the children.

Nursery parents and carers will have the opportunity to meet Miss Hall during our Autumn Progress Meetings next week.

We are sure you will join us in sending Miss Waters, her partner and baby Kai our warmest congratulations and very best wishes.

#MISSSCHOOL #MISSOUT – WHY REGULAR ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Regular attendance is important throughout the year but it is especially vital at this busy time. Children are consolidating their learning across the curriculum while also preparing for Christmas performances and special events. A great deal of teamwork and rehearsal goes into these occasions so absences can mean children miss important preparations and can disrupt the wider group.

Last week, Lennie Y5 enjoyed taking part in an exciting history workshop and would have been disappointed to miss this memorable experience. Arthur Y2 learned how to find 10 more or 10 less than any given number in maths, an important skill that will support his future learning. Seth Y3 had a fantastic time at PGL and made special memories with his friends that he would not have wanted to miss.

Every day at Roby Park brings new learning, experiences and opportunities. Please support your child to attend school every day and arrive on time because when children #MissSchool, they really do #MissOut.

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



#MISSSCHOOL #MISSOUT

A huge well done to Y2, Y4 and Y5, our attendance recognition winners this week! William Y1, Paddy Y3 & Evie Y5 had the important job of selecting our three winning classes.

All three classes then moved around our exciting Classopoly board. Y2 won a non-uniform day whilst Y4 landed on the chance square and so can pick any prize off the Classopoly board.

Keep up the fantastic attendance, everyone. Your class could be moving around the Classopoly board next!



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?

Roby Rainbows

Wraparound Care for Roby Park Primary School

Happy Children
• Supportive Families
• Brighter Futures



Important Notice Regarding Session Price Changes

From November 2026

Thank you for your continued support!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We would like to give you advance notice of some changes to our session prices, which will take effect from **November 2026**.

Like many childcare and wraparound care providers, we have experienced significant increases in the costs involved in running our provision. This includes the rising cost of food and refreshments, staffing, utilities, supplies and general operating costs.

We have worked hard to keep our prices as affordable as possible and have absorbed increases in costs for as long as we could. However, in order for Roby Rainbows to continue providing the safe, welcoming and high-quality wraparound care that our children and families rely on, a small increase to our session prices is now necessary.

New Session Prices – from November 2026

Session	Current Price	New Price
Breakfast Club	£2.00	£3.50
Half Session	£5.00	£6.00
Full Session	£12.50	£13.50

Late Bookings

We would also like to remind parents and guardians about our late booking charge. If you have forgotten to book a session and require a place on the same day, a **£5.00** late booking administration fee will automatically be added to your booking.

This charge reflects the additional administration involved in arranging last-minute places and ensuring that we remain within our required staffing ratios.

Where possible, we would therefore encourage parents to book sessions in advance to avoid this additional charge and, importantly, to ensure that a place is available for your child.

Please book in advance where possible

We understand that any increase in childcare costs can be difficult for families, and we have not taken this decision lightly. We remain committed to providing a reliable, safe and enjoyable service for the children of Roby Park Primary School, while keeping our prices as reasonable as possible.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Small changes make a big difference

Kind regards,

The Roby Rainbows Team

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Roby Rainbows

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