

Robert Miles Junior School Newsletter – 3rd May 2024

Dear Parents,

This week we sent out information for the upcoming BBQ on 21st June. The event will follow the usual format and will, I am sure, be a great evening – hopefully the weather will be kind! Please can parents return the slip sent out along with payment for food orders by 10th June so we can make sure everything is organised. We also need some parent volunteers to support with various roles – setting up, cooking, stalls etc – so if you are able to help out, we would be enormously grateful.

In other event news, I know some parents have been asking about dates for the end of year performance – we are almost ready to confirm these dates. They will be during w/c 15th July. I will share the dates as soon as they are confirmed.

A bank holiday weekend – enjoy the weekend and we will be back open again on Tuesday morning from 8.45am.

Best Wishes



James Evelyn
Headteacher, Robert Miles Junior School

Savate



Every Thursday morning, Mr Dexter runs a marshall arts / self-defence club called 'Savate'. The children learn self-defence including Boxe Francais – a French kick boxing art. The children are making great progress and are working towards their Junior Grade 1 / Yellow Belt. Assessments are taking place in July!

Dates for the Diary

6 th May	Bank Holiday
w/c 13 th May	KS2 SATs Week
w/c 20 th May	Healthy Lifestyles Week
w/c 27 th May	Half Term
3 rd June	Class Photos
6 th June	Y6 at Yorkshire Wildlife Park
11 th /12 th June	Y4 Residential
17 th June	Inset Day
18 th June	Y5 Toot Hill Parent Meeting
19 th June	Sports Day (26 th June: Reserve Day)
21 st June	Summer BBQ
1 st July	Y5 trip to Holme Pierrepont
23 rd July	Last Day of Term

School Attendance

Excellent attendance is vital to success at school. We track attendance closely and celebrate excellent attendance. Our target is for each child to have an attendance figure of at least 95%.

3B	96.4%
3J	96.8%
4H	97.5%
4G	95.5%
5AK	95.6%
5M	95.9%
6L	94.7%
6M	96.3%
All	96.1%



Congratulations to 4H who have the best attendance this week!

House Points

Jupiter	270
Mercury	223
Neptune	233
Saturn	261

Children are earning House Points each and every day for showing the REACH values, making good choices and doing their very best. Each Friday in Honours Assembly, we announce the latest scores. These are the latest figures for the first half of the summer term.



Bikeability

Mrs Alcock spoke to some Year 5s who have completed their Bikeability Cycling training this week. They all said they had enjoyed the course and learnt lots. They now know how to check their own bikes over to ensure they are safe and roadworthy by using the ABC and DD letter: A = check air in tyres, B= check brakes are in good working order, C = check the chain moves smoothly D = check pedals and handle bars are facing the same direction and D = drop the bike down onto the tyres to make sure nothing is loose or falls off! The pupils said they practised lots of tricks and techniques on the playground first such as starting and stopping the bike correctly, completing u-turns, turning in a complete circle and swerving in and out of cones to practise controlling the bike. The group and their instructors then went out onto the roads of Bingham which the children said made it all seem really real – especially with cars and lorries around. All children said it helped build their confidence when riding on the roads and improved their road sense as they now know how to indicate and manoeuvre into the correct position to turn. Thank you to Seb, Morgan and Olivia for giving this roundup of your Bikeability training and we wish you all many years of happy, safe cycling.



Sports Update

Rushcliffe Boys Tournament

On Saturday, the boys travelled to St Peters Ruddington for the Rushcliffe tournament. It was a fantastic day and they represented the school to an incredible standard. The group stages were upon us, and we took to the pitch for our first game. Each game, we played very well. We were attacking consistently and providing lots of chances at goal but due to the smaller pitch sizes, our defence had to work just as hard. The boys played a total of five games. We lost, drew and won throughout the group stages and ended up taking 3rd place for the groups. We didn't pass through into the semi-finals, but we definitely showcased some confidence on the pitch. Well done boys! A great weekend tournament.



OAA

This week, some Year 4 children went to Rushcliffe Country Park to take part in Outdoor Adventurous Activities (OAA). This was all about being outside, having fun and working as a team. Teamwork is such an important skill and OAA definitely gave the children a chance to build on this. They had a chance to work together with orienteering; problem solving to get 'across the swamp' and a firm favourite, guiding a blindfolded teammate through the woods. It was a fantastic activity to take part in after school and it gave each child a chance to represent RMJS but also build on those ever so important skills. Well done to you all - we are so proud of you!



Chain Reaction

This week, the sports ambassadors have been introducing a game to the school. Chain Reaction is a game that takes elements from a variety of other classic games. The aim of the game is not to be tagged by the tagger in the middle of the pitch. However, the more people who get caught must form a chain and work together to tag other members. This week provided lots of laughter, but it also had a chance to highlight the importance of teamwork and collaboration when working with multiple people. The weather was fantastic this week and it is safe to say that the school are enjoying having a variety of new games to learn and play. Next week, we look at 'Strength or Skill'.



Honours Assembly

Congratulations to these children whose success was celebrated at Honours Assembly this week and some of their work was shared with all the children in the school.

3J	Daniel Heffernan & Mia Ruggles
3B	Lauren Jones & Zac Wong
4G	Jude Maylard-Mason & Angelica Scott
4H	Nellie Saunders & Joshua Dickinson
5M	Marley Chrimes & Jerry Lamb
5AR	Danny Storey & Thea Moore
6M	Nathan O'Connor & Summer Sandhu
6L	Evie Blackband & Bethan Styles

Times Table Rockstars

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Congratulations to the following children who have topped the charts for their work on TTRS this week:

Most correct answers: Adhveeth, 3B

Most coins earnt: Micah, 4H

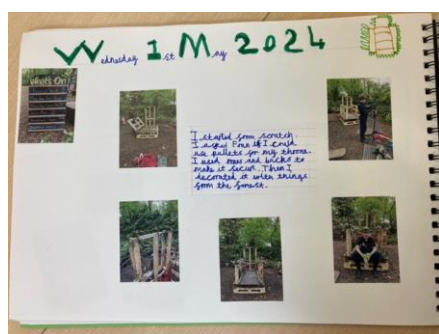
Biggest improvement in accuracy: Llewyn-Rayn, 4G

Biggest improvement in speed: Henry, 3J

Excellent work in the Spotlight



In the spotlight this week is Macaulay (6L). We celebrated May Day at Forest School this week and one of the tasks was to build a throne for the May Day King or Queen. Macaulay rose to the challenge and built and decorated a wonderful creation all on his own using things he found in the forest. It is lovely to see it all documented in his Forest School diary.



Local News & Information

We are happy to publicise local events and activities for children in the newsletter particularly ahead of holiday periods. (Please note the school is not endorsing these events as they are run separately.) Any enquiries should be made through the website address shown on the leaflet below.



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ADAPTED BY DAVID WOOD
FROM THE NOVEL BY MICHELLE MAGORIAN
24TH - 25TH MAY
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Bingham Musical Theatre Company are offering a fantastic opportunity for children and parents alike, to experience the curriculum book 'Goodnight Mr Tom' live on stage. The story tells of young William Beech, an evacuee of World War II and his vastly different relationships with both his mother and countryman 'Mr Tom' who was begrudgingly forced to take him in. The book and film form part of the curriculum for primary schools, exploring the interdisciplinary learning topic of World War II and was made famous by John Thaw in the movie adaptation. Use the code 'SCHOOLS' when booking tickets at www.ticketsource.co.uk/bmtcnotts for 10% off your ticket as a thank you for supporting us.



BINGHAM COMMUNITY CINEMA

Bringing all ages from the community together for an afternoon of entertainment. Refreshments will be available from our tuck shop. Seating is provided but if you would like to bring along beanbags etc. to sit on then please feel free.

Coming soon... **Sunday 28th April**



Main Hall, The Methodist Centre, Bingham
Doors open at 2pm for a 2:30pm start
Suggested Entirely Free Will Donation - £2 per person (no obligation)
Children under 16 to be accompanied by an adult.
Children will remain the responsibility of their parent/carers

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We share E-Safety information from National Online Safety with parents in the Robert Miles newsletter. This is to help you in ensuring that your child can use technology safely. Please read the following information.

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about LIVE STREAMING

Live streaming involves broadcasting and watching videos online in real time, often on social media or via platforms like YouTube and Twitch. Viewers can interact through comments, chats and reactions during the broadcast: such instant engagement makes this an exciting way to share experiences, learn from others and build digital communities. Despite the many positives, live streaming also creates a potential platform for unsuitable content and poses some risks to children: it's essential to keep privacy and safety in mind and comply with each site or app's age restrictions.

AGE RESTRICTION
13+
16+ 18+
Age varies by platform

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

LACK OF AGE VERIFICATION

Despite their age restrictions, some platforms don't require proof of age at sign up – meaning that anyone can register for an account (and potentially pretend to be older or younger than they actually are). In many cases, this means that young live streamers can never be totally certain exactly who they are broadcasting to and who is engaging with their live stream.

DISCLOSING PERSONAL INFO

A characteristic of live streaming is the ability for videos to be instantly shared worldwide. Without the correct privacy settings enabled, a child could inadvertently reveal personal information or their location, making them vulnerable to online predators or identity theft. It's wise to regularly check the privacy settings (and what data is being shared) on any apps your child has signed up for.

ANYTHING COULD HAPPEN

As the video streams are live, children might encounter (or inadvertently share) inappropriate content. Most live-streaming apps have rules to prevent this and monitor their services, also providing report buttons where content can be flagged for review. It may not be dealt with instantly, however, meaning that your child could be further exposed to harmful content during a live stream.

UNAUTHORISED RECORDINGS

Each live streaming platform stores completed videos for different periods (Twitch saves broadcasts for 80 days, for example, while Facebook and YouTube remove them only at the creator's request). Deleting a video, though, doesn't always stop it from being shared: in some cases, streams have been illegally recorded (or screenshots taken) by certain viewers and redistributed on other sites.

ROGUE CONTENT CREATORS

Children can also watch other people's live streams, which could potentially contain anything at any time (such as nudity, drug use or profanity). Most apps claim to monitor live streams and will stop any that don't adhere to their guidelines – but with millions of streams per day, it's complicated to regulate them *all*, so children could be exposed to inappropriate content without parents knowing.

DANGER OF GROOMING

There are increasing reports of children being coerced into performing "suggestive acts" by strangers on some live-streaming apps. Due to the lack of verification required for certain apps, almost anyone can sign up to these services (including anonymously or under a fake identity). It's vital, therefore, to ensure the correct safety measures are in place before your child begins live streaming.

Advice for Parents & Carers

PUT PRIVACY FIRST

Through the streaming app's settings, switch your child's account to 'private', so only their friends and followers can see their broadcasts. You could also turn off the live chat, shielding your child from any upsetting comments – although viewers' feedback is often seen as an integral part of the fun. Identify any nearby items (such as school uniforms or visible landmarks) that could give away your child's location.

MANAGE MULTISTREAMING

Some apps and sites let users stream their content through multiple social media platforms at once. A broadcast on SteamYard, for example, can be shared on YouTube, Twitch, X and Facebook if the accounts are linked. The privacy settings can differ on each of these, so we'd suggest only streaming via one platform at a time to maintain greater control over who's watching your child's videos.

GET INVOLVED YOURSELF

Research suggests a significant number of streams show a child on their own, often in a supposed safe space like their bedroom. If your child wants to live stream, ask if you could be present because you're interested in how it works. You could even set up your own account to gain a more detailed knowledge of what your child talks about in their live streams – and who they're broadcasting to.

TALK ABOUT LIVE STREAMING

Try to start with positives before discussing potential risks. You could ask which live streaming apps your child likes and how they use them. Do they just watch streams or create their own? Explain why it's unwise to reveal personal information while streaming (even to friends). If you feel your child's too young for live streams, explain your reasoning to them and perhaps agree to review this decision in the future.

CONSIDER THEIR ONLINE REPUTATION

As the broadcasts are live, it often causes the misconception among young people that whatever happens in their video simply 'vanishes' once the stream ends. However, videos can stay online indefinitely or be recorded by other users. It's important that your child understands what they do and say in a live stream could potentially damage their online reputation and, quite possibly, be seen by prospective future employers, colleges or universities.

Meet Our Expert

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Upcoming Dates - w/c 6th May 2024

Monday 6th May 2024

- Bank Holiday

Tuesday 7th May 2024

- Dodgeball for year 5 & 6. 8.15- 8.45am. Please remember your PE kit, a drink and any inhalers you may need.

Wednesday 8th May 2024

- No Bible explorers.
- Rosie's fun to be fit class 3.30- 4.30pm. Please remember your PE kit, a drink and any inhalers you may need.

Thursday 9th May 2024

- Martial arts club 8-8.45am. Please remember your PE kit, a drink and any inhalers you may need.
- Year 3 swimming. Please ensure you remember your swimming kit and any inhalers required.
- Cricket club for years 3 & 4. 3.30-4.30pm. Please remember your PE kit, a drink and any inhalers you may need.
- Selected KS2 children Boccia and Kurling Festival 10 - 12am at Nottingham Trent tennis centre.
- Digital leaders at Heyman Primary School

Friday 10th May 2024

- Honours assembly.

Weekly Menu - w/c 6th May 2024

All parents have received a link to a form where you can submit information about your child's dietary requirements. If you have not already done so, please complete the form here if your child has specific dietary requirements: <https://orders.lunchhound.co.uk/medicaldiets/request>

Monday

- Bank Holiday

Tuesday

- All day sausage breakfast served with baked omelette, diced potatoes, baked beans or sweetcorn with a choice of vegetables or mixed fresh salad.
- All day veggie sausage breakfast served with diced potatoes, bake beans or sweetcorn with a choice of vegetables or mixed fresh salad.
- Jacket potato with a choice of baked beans, cheese or tuna.
- Chocolate shortbread biscuits (Ve) and fruit slices.

Wednesday

- Chicken pie, mashed potato with a selection of vegetables or mixed fresh salad.
- Vegemince and vegetable pie (Ve), mashed potato with a selection of vegetables or mixed fresh salad.
- Jacket potato with a choice of baked beans, cheese or tuna mayonnaise.
- Iced banana traybake.

Thursday

- Creamy korma style chicken curry served with mixed rice, selection of vegetables or mixed fresh salad.
- Sweet potato, spinach and chickpea korma (Ve) served with mixed rice, selection of vegetables or mixed fresh salad.
- Jacket potato with a choice of baked beans, cheese or tuna mayonnaise.

- Oat and raisin cookie (Ve) and fresh watermelon slice.

Friday

- Friday fish fingers served with chips, tomato ketchup and a selection of daily vegetables and mixed fresh salad.
- Homemade cheese flan served with chips and tomato sauce and a selection of daily vegetables and mixed fresh salad.
- Jacket potato with a choice of baked beans, cheese or tuna mayonnaise.
- Chocolate ice cream