



# Robert Miles Junior School

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## Start of Autumn Term Letter to Parents, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to you and your children at the start of the new academic year – I hope you have all had a wonderful summer and are ready for the new term. We are looking forward to welcoming children back this coming Wednesday (4<sup>th</sup> September) at the usual time of 8.45am.

**Year 3 Parents** A special welcome to our new Year 3 families - we are delighted to welcome you to our school community. For new Year 3 parents, please bring your child to the top playground where the Year 3 teaching team will be available to meet and welcome you. At 3.30pm, at the end of the day, the children will come back here with their teachers for you to collect.

Some information for all parents:

**Classes 2024/25** As I shared at the end of last term, below are the classes/teacher allocation for this year. If you are unsure about anything, please speak to me or a member of the staff team.

2023/24 Class	New Teacher(s)	Class Name
Infant School Year 2s	Mrs Broster	3B
	Mr Jennings	3J
3B	Mr Miller	4M
3J	Miss Horsfield	4H
4H	Miss Garbett	5G
4G	Mrs Alcock & Mrs Chamberlain	5AC
5M	Miss Lanagan	6L
5AK	Mrs Melhuish	6M

Information about curriculum and timings for PE will be shared with parents later this week. The Curriculum Newsletters will also be placed on the website when confirmed.

**Bicycles/Scooters** Children are welcome to come to school by bike or scooter. Children must not ride these on the school site but walk them round to where they are stored. At the end of the day, they should be walked round to the Market Square.

**School Lunches** As I mentioned at the end of last term, the price of school lunches is rising to £2.95 per pupil paid meal. This is due to a number of factors beyond our and our catering company's control which have all resulted in rising costs. Our lunch prices have been lower than NCC schools for the past 12 months and this increase means we are now in line with what they are charging.

Parents of Year 3 children are reminded that Universal Free School Meals cover Reception to Year Two. From Year Three, Free School Meals is means tested – please speak to the office if you are not sure whether you are eligible.

**School Uniform** A reminder of the uniform expectations – please see details on the website or click [here](#). Children must wear unbranded, black shoes indoors with a pair of outdoor shoes for use at playtimes/lunchtime. Please get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

**Behaviour Policy** Following discussions with staff, the School Council and reflecting on feedback from parents, we have updated our Behaviour Policy for this term. The focus of the new policy is to revise and update our whole school routines and provide structures and support for children in developing their self-regulation. The policy is on the website in the 'Policies' section or click [here](#).

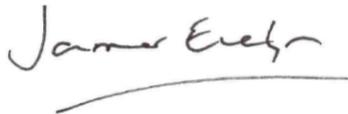
**Parent Information Sessions** We are going to be running monthly parent information sessions focussing on important school related subjects which we hope you will find useful.

The first of these will take place at 9.00am and then again at 3.45pm on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September focusing on Mobile Phone Safety. All parents are welcome to attend but this is particularly targeted at Year 6 parents or parents who may be considering purchasing a phone for their child. (We are keen to have as many parents attend as possible and are therefore running this session twice to see which time works best for parents.)

**Honours Assembly** This assembly will now take place on a Wednesday at the same time (9.10am). As I did previously, if your child is receiving a certificate, I will email you on the Friday before.

We are very much looking forward to seeing you all on Wednesday and the start of a new academic year.

Best Wishes



James Evelyn

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