



★ Robert Miles Junior School Newsletter – 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026 ★

\*\*\* Inset Day \*\*\*

Wishing all our parents and families an enjoyable half term. A reminder that we have an inset day straight after half term so **school will reopen to children on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.**



Dear Parents,

A busy week full of lots of ‘active’ learning. I really hope all the children have enjoyed the activities – from rugby and Pilates to cricket and mini golf. The highlight for me was our Fun Run on Wednesday. It was so lovely to see the children running round the school, enjoying the activities on the ‘fun’ route and, in lots of cases, being joined by their parents and family members. This event raised a magnificent £3,238 towards the Trim Trail appeal. A huge thank you to all our wonderful children and their families for their support. Our current Trim Trail total is £7,060!

A huge thank you to Mr Jennings who has worked tirelessly organising everything to ensure that the children had a memorable and fun week. Thank you also, to the visitors who have run activities and to Bingham Cricket Club who hosted the whole school earlier today with a fun day of cricket in the sunshine.

Have a wonderful half term. School reopens on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

Best Wishes

James Evelyn  
Headteacher, Robert Miles Junior School

**Summer Term Dates**

- w/c 25<sup>th</sup> May     Half Term
- 5<sup>th</sup> June         BBQ Non-Uniform Day
- 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> June    Year 4 York Residential
- 11<sup>th</sup> June        Y5 Holme Pierrepoint Trip
- 15<sup>th</sup> June        ‘Marvellous Men’ Gift Shop
- 16<sup>th</sup> June        Year 3 Roman Day
- 17<sup>th</sup> June        School Photos
- 19<sup>th</sup> June        Summer BBQ
- 24<sup>th</sup> June        Sports Day (26<sup>th</sup> June Reserve Day)
- 1<sup>st</sup> July            School Disco
- 7<sup>th</sup>/ 8<sup>th</sup> /13<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Production

**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	98.1%
3J	94.8%
4H	96.9%
4M	94.8%
5AC	97.9%
5G	98.3%
6L	97.7%
6TM	99.2%
<b>All</b>	<b>97.3%</b>

Congratulations to 6TM for having the best attendance this week!



Friends of RMJS



We are so grateful for the money raised by the Friends of RMJS over the past 18 months. Each year group has been allocated £400 from the money you have kindly donated to spend on enrichment. Our Year 6s are spending the funds on transport for their Wollaton Hall trip meaning there will be no cost. Year 5s have put the funds towards their day out at Holme Pierrepoint. Year 4s are spending the money on a wheelchair basketball activity with the Year 3s putting it towards their Roman enrichment day. Thank you to the Friends of RMJS and all the volunteers who so generously give their time and energy to the school.

## Non-Uniform Day & Water Safety

- On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June, we have our annual pre-BBQ Non-Uniform Day where we ask for prizes towards the Tombola at the BBQ. All details below.
- The weather forecast for half term is for a fair amount of warm and sunny weather. You may be taking your children swimming so we felt it was a good time to share the water safety guidance.



### NON - UNIFORM DAY

### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June

In exchange for your child wearing non-uniform, we're asking for prizes for the tombola for this year's School BBQ.

If you have any new unwanted gifts, chocolates, toiletries, bottles or other suitable new items that you would be happy to donate, we would be very grateful.

Please bring these into School on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June.





**ALWAYS FOLLOW THE WATER SAFETY CODE**

ROYAL LIFE SAVING  
**Drowning Prevention Week**  
SOCIETY UK

Whenever you are around water:

**STOP AND THINK**

Take time to assess your surroundings. Look for the dangers and always research local signs and advice.

**STAY TOGETHER**

When around water always go with friends or family. Swim at a lifeguarded venue.

In an emergency:

**CALL 999**

Ask for the Fire and Rescue Service when inland and the Coastguard if at the coast. Don't enter the water to rescue.

**FLOAT**

Fall in or become tired - stay calm, float on your back and call for help. Throw something that floats to somebody that has fallen in.

Enjoy Water Safely

Learn basic lifesaving and CPR skills. Visit [www.rlss.org.uk](http://www.rlss.org.uk)

## Healthy Lifestyles Week



It has been a fun week of active learning and the list of sporting options seems to get bigger every year. This year children

experienced circuit training, orienteering, cup stacking, crazy golf, a fun run, cricket, rugby, Pilates and various activities run by staff from the King's Camp. The weather has been just about ok although the annual Carnarvon Cross Country event was sadly postponed owing to thunder in the weather forecast. We hope the children have enjoyed it, picked up some new skills and perhaps identified a new sport they might like to adopt in the future. Thank you to Mr Jennings for all his hard work bringing everything together for a successful week!

## Yorkshire Wildlife Park

What a wonderful day Year 6 had at Yorkshire Wildlife Park on Thursday. The baboons were up to mischief, the tiger was on the prowl, the polar bears were eager to put on a show of swimming and rolling down hills and the much-anticipated capybaras - as usual - lay motionless on the grass! It was a joy to be away from school with this group of children due to their impeccable behaviour - noted by other visitors from the moment we got there - and their curiosity. This particularly stood out for both classes in our fascinating workshop on evolution and adaptation. You could have heard a pin drop when they were listening and they were bursting with brilliant answers and intriguing questions of their own. What outstanding ambassadors for Robert Miles these children are!



## RMJS Governing Body

RMJS is looking for new volunteers to join our Governing Body (LGB). We are committed to ensuring our LGB reflects the reality of our local community, with a particular focus on welcoming the growing Hong Kong community in Bingham.

We particularly value parents or community members who have some understanding of the UK education system, with experience and cultural insights to offer the LGB.

**Time Commitment:** Approximately 6 meetings per year along with attending events and visits during the school day.

**Your Impact:** Help oversee school operations ensuring that every child succeeds.

### Support Provided:

- **Training:** Full induction training is provided along with ongoing training to help you feel confident in the role.
- **Language Support:** Translation and interpretation services can be provided for meetings and documents.

Gain new skills in leadership and governance while giving back to the Bingham community. If you are interested in learning more, we would love to hear from you. Please get in touch for an informal chat.

**Email:** [head@robertmiles.notts.sch.uk](mailto:head@robertmiles.notts.sch.uk)

協助Robert Miles Junior School 發展

無需專業經驗 — 最重要係您的聲音！

現正招募新成員加入\*\*校董會 (School Governor)\*\*。

希望校董會能反映我們社區現狀，特別是 Bingham 日漸壯大的\*\*香港人社群\*\*。

**\*\*首要條件：**

我們不需要專家或亮麗的簡歷。我們需要的是了解英國教育體系、具備\*\*生活經驗\*\*的家長或社區成員。您的親身經歷對學校的發展最為寶貴。

**\*\*參與方式**

**\*\*每年參加 6 次會議\*\***，並支持學校活動。

協助監督學校運作，確保每位學生都能茁壯成長。

**\*\*我們的支援**

\* 提供\*\*全方位培訓\*\*。

\* 會議及文件均可提供\*\*翻譯與傳譯服務\*\*。

\* 在回饋 Bingham 社區的同時，獲得學習新技能的機會。

**\*\*聯絡我們**

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## Times Tables Rock Stars

### Times Tables Rockstars

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

**Most correct answers:** Alfie, 4H

**Most coins earned:** Jasmine, 4H

**Biggest improvement in accuracy:** Kayden, 4H

**Biggest improvement in speed:** Kerwin, 4H

**Congratulations to our newest Rock Legends: Stanley in 4H**

**And a huge well done to our latest Rock Heroes: Henry in 4H and Eddie in 4H**



## Local 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 leaflets.



## SWAP THE SCREEN FOR THE GREEN!

Give them a Sunday morning they'll actually talk about.



**NO WIFI NEEDED.**  
Just teamwork, fresh air and muddy knees.

**When:**  
Every Sunday Morning |  
From 8:30am

**Where:**  
Brendon Grove, Bingham,  
NG13 8TN

**Who:**   
Girls & Boys | Ages 3+  
(Starting with Little Ruggers)

\*\*New season starts 6th September. Contact the club secretary for more information: [secretary.binghamrufc@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.binghamrufc@gmail.com)

The first three sessions are FREE. Come down and give it a try!  
Visit [binghamrufc.co.uk](http://binghamrufc.co.uk) or find us on Facebook.  
Teamwork • Respect • Enjoyment • Discipline • Sportsmanship

## Upcoming Dates w/c 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

### **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026**

- Inset Day – School Closed

### **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2026**

- No activities

### **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2026**

- Cross-country Club for years 5 and 6. As this is a lunchtime club the children must bring a packed lunch. Children need their PE kit plus extra layers in case it is cold or raining a carrier bag and any inhalers required
- School Production choir rehearsals 15:30 – 16:45

### **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

- Martial arts club (with Mr Dexter) for years 4,5 and 6. 08.00am to 08.45am.
- Sing! With Mark De Lisser. Selected children. School uniform and black shoes are to be worn. Please bring a packed lunch, water bottle and any inhalers needed. We are to be back for 3.30pm

### **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

- No Indoor athletics
- Non-Uniform day. Please bring in a prize for the Tombola for this year's school BBQ

*A reminder that all children need to be collected from their afterschool clubs by family member/friend who are over the age of 16.*

## Weekly Menu w/c 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

### **Monday**

- Inset Day – School Closed

### **Tuesday**

- Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread, Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots
- Plant Based Lasagne with Garlic Bread, Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots
- Jacket potato with a choice of Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans.
- Raspberry Jelly & Fruit Slices

### **Wednesday**

- Roast Gammon, Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes with Seasonal Greens & Carrots
- Yorkshire Pudding stuffed with Roasted Vegetable Casserole & Roast Potatoes with Seasonal Greens & Carrots
- Jacket potato with a choice of Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans.
- Blueberry Cake & Custard

### **Thursday**

- Rainbow Vegetable Pizza with Tomato Pasta, Garden Peas & Slice Carrots
- Cheese Wrap with Vegetable Sticks & Pasta Salad, Garden Peas & Sliced Carrots
- Jacket potato with a choice of Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans.
- Fruit Slices & Flapjack

### **Friday**

- Battered Pollock & Chips with Garden Peas & Baked Beans

- Mexican Enchilada & Chips with Garden Peas & Baked Beans
- Jacket potato with Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans.
- Chocolate Mousse

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 The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](http://nationalcollege.com).

## What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

# ONLINE GROOMING

Online grooming is when someone builds a relationship with a child or young person online to gain their trust for the purpose of sexual abuse, exploitation, radicalisation, or criminal activity – such as county lines or financial scams. According to the NSPCC, police in the UK recorded over 7,000 offences involving sexual communication with a child in a single year – an increase of 89% since 2017/18.

### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

#### STRANGERS USING FAKE IDENTITIES

Groomers often pose as children or teenagers online to build trust. They may create convincing fake profiles, share photos stolen from real people, or mimic the interests of the child. By pretending to be someone their age, they make conversations feel safe and relatable. Over time, they may ask for personal details, photos, or suggest meeting in person, exposing children to significant emotional and physical harm.

#### EXPLOITATION THROUGH GIFTS AND FLATTERY

To gain trust quickly, groomers often send gifts, gaming credits, or money. Alongside material offerings, they use excessive compliments, affection, and attention to create emotional dependency. These tactics make children feel valued and special, lowering their defences. Once trust is secured, groomers may escalate their requests, often asking for photos or private conversations, making the child feel pressured or indebted to continue.

#### GROUP CHATS AS HIDDEN PATHWAYS

Unmonitored group chats on platforms like WhatsApp or Discord provide a cover for groomers. They can watch how children interact, identify those who seem vulnerable, and then move conversations into private messaging. This transition makes detection difficult for trusted adults. The seemingly harmless group setting often masks the presence of predators, giving children a false sense of security.

#### THE RISE OF SEXTORTION

Sextortion involves pressuring children into sharing explicit content, then blackmailing them for more. Offenders may claim to have hacked a child's device, threaten to share images with friends or family, or demand money. Many victims remain silent out of fear and shame. This growing crime is particularly dangerous because children often feel trapped, believing there's no safe way to escape the situation.

#### GAMING PLATFORMS AS GROOMING GATEWAYS

Games like Roblox, Fortnite, or Call of Duty, which include live chat features, are frequent targets for groomers. Conversations often begin casually during gameplay and can become manipulative over time. Groomers may offer in-game gifts, credits, or exclusive add-ons to build rapport. Children using headsets or private chat features are especially at risk, as conversations are harder for adults to monitor.

#### CRIMINAL & RADICALISATION RISKS

Grooming is not always sexual. Some offenders manipulate children into criminal activities such as drug running or online fraud. Others attempt to radicalise young people with extreme ideologies. Groomers often use fear, money, shame, or promises of belonging to control their victims. These forms of exploitation can be just as harmful as sexual grooming, and often leave lasting psychological and social consequences.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

#### KEEP CONVERSATIONS REGULAR

Rather than having one "big talk" about online safety, weave conversations into everyday life. Ask questions about children's online friendships and interests. Share real-life examples to make discussions relatable and encourage honesty instead of secrecy. When children feel comfortable discussing their digital lives, they are far more likely to share concerns or admit when something feels wrong, reducing the chance of risky interactions going unnoticed.

#### CREATE A "TELL ME" CULTURE

Children often keep silent because they fear being punished or losing access to their devices. Reassure them that coming forward with concerns won't get them into trouble. Emphasise that you are there to help, not judge. Creating a safe, open environment encourages children to speak up if something feels wrong, and helps to ensure they don't suffer in silence when facing potential grooming risks.

#### UNDERSTAND THE PLATFORMS CHILDREN USE

Take time to learn about the apps, games, and social platforms children are on. Familiarise yourself with privacy settings, parental controls, and group chat features. Use resources like The National College guides or conduct quiet searches to stay updated. By understanding how these platforms operate, you'll be better equipped to set boundaries, guide safe use, and notice any unusual or concerning online behaviour early.

#### STAY ALERT TO WARNING SIGNS

Be attentive to both behavioural and digital red flags. Sudden secrecy, mood swings, or new online contacts may signal a problem. Watch for unexplained gifts, new social media profiles, or changes in sleep patterns. Increased anxiety or reluctance to attend school can also be indicators. Regularly checking in and showing interest in those whom they communicate with online help prevent small issues from escalating into serious risks.

#### Meet Our Expert

Staffordshire Police is dedicated to keeping people safe and tackling crime across both the physical and digital world. The force continues to strengthen its digital investigation and safeguarding capabilities to protect children and vulnerable people online, working in partnership with local, regional and national organisations, schools, and the wider community.



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