



# NEWSLETTER

**JULY 2017 - EXTRA  
EDITION**

## **FUNDRAISING NEWS**

***Coffee Morning -***

***New Intake***

*A coffee morning will be held at 9.00 am on **Monday 25th September** for the parents and carers of the children starting in Early Years in September 2017.*

## ***DISTRICT SPORTS***

The athletics team took part in the District Sports on **Tuesday 11th July**. The children were impeccably behaved and showed superb sportsmanship throughout the event.

Robert Drake finished 6th overall and several pupils won medals, as follows:

Y5/6 Boys Long Jump - Gold - Sam

Y6 Boys Sprint – Gold – Ronnie

Y4 Boys Sprint – Silver – Lewis

Y4 Girls Sprint – Bronze – Arianna

Y3/4 Girls Throwing – Bronze – Ava

Y3/4 Boys Sergeant Jump – Silver – Ollie

Y4 Girls Relay – Bronze – Arianna, Meadow, Mia and Millie

Well done to all of those pupils who have demonstrated commitment to training each Wednesday morning before school. Mrs Macey has helped to improve the team's fitness levels and understanding of how to run for speed.

Thank you to Lisa Macey, Mr Hunter and Mrs Vickery for all of their hard work in training and organising the athletics team.

## ***SWIMMING GALA***

The Robert Drake Swimming Squad came fourth in the swimming gala - many congratulations!

All pupils, including the reserves, trained very hard and performed to the best of their abilities at all times. Everybody worked well together as a team, supporting each other in a positive and fun environment. All pupils were extremely well behaved and thoroughly enjoyed competing in the gala. Well done to all of the competitors!

## ***AREA QUIZ FINALS***

On Tuesday 11th July Ava, Charlotte, Jessica and Lucy represented the school in the Year 6 quiz team at the County KS2 English Competition 2017.

The competition required the team to work both independently together and the girls all demonstrated excellent team work and resilience. They finished joint 10th out of the final 14 schools.

Congratulations to all of the team. Well done!

## ***NON-PUPIL DAYS 2017-2018***

Non-pupil days for 2017-18 are:

Monday 4th September 2017

Tuesday 2nd January 2018

Monday 19th February 2018

Friday 25th May 2018

Friday 13th July 2018

The term dates for 2017-2018 are on the school website ([www.robertdrake.co.uk](http://www.robertdrake.co.uk)).

## ***EDUCATIONAL VISITS***

The following educational visits are due to take place in the autumn term:

Friday 22nd September Y3/4 visit to Colchester Zoo

Wednesday 13th December—Y5/6 visit to Cardfields

## ***DATES FOR DIARY***

Provisional dates for the first half of autumn term 2017 are as follows:

**Monday 11th September** — Sir Link-a-Lot Workshop

**Tuesday 12th September**—KS1 Homework Meeting (2.45 pm)

**Wednesday 13th September** – Appleton meeting for all Year 6 parents and carers at Robert Drake

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September and Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September** – Parent Consultations (Years 1 to 6)

**Friday 22nd September** - Y 3/4 visit to Colchester Zoo

**Monday 25th September to Thursday 28th September** - Travelling Book Fair

**Friday 29th September** – Individual School Photos

**Thursday 5th October**—Flu Immunisation Day

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October** – Mr Chaplin’s class assembly

**Friday 13th October**—Roots to Food Workshop

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October** – EYFS Parent Consultations

**Friday 20th October** – Mrs Vickery’s class assembly (Harvest)

*Please note that all dates are subject to change.*

## ***NON-PUPIL DAY REMINDER AND TERM DATES***

The summer term will finish on **Friday 21st July at 3.15 pm.** The new term starts on **Tuesday 5th September.**

**Monday 4th September** is a training day.

The Governing Body of The Robert Drake Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.