

The Robert Drake Primary School - Newsletter

Miss Glover's Class Assembly - Year 4

Year 4 children did a great job in their class assembly last week, learning songs and lines from the opera Hansel and Gretel by Englebert Humperdink. They did us proud with their awesome acting, singing and dancing. Well done year 4.

Happy's Circus - 3rd October 2025

We are delighted to advise that Happy's Circus is returning to Robert Drake. The show will have a Journeys theme and features acrobats, aerialists, speciality acts, magic, clowns, audience participation and loads of fun and much, much more !

All payments to be made via ParentPay.

Awards

We are proud to celebrate the following who have received Achievement awards

KS1 Awards

Miss Ramsey - Millie

Miss Covey - Maeva

Miss Leckerman - Zachary

LKS2 Awards

Mrs Herbert/ Mrs Malyan - Leo

Mr Chaplin - Sadie

Miss Glover - Jonny

UKS2 Awards

Miss Woodward - Sam

Mr Newton - Harley

Mrs Parrag - Jesse

Pupil Kindness Award - Chosen by the children

Alfie

Neave

Ruby

Head Pupils

Head Pupils:-

Ted V & Ariana C-T

Deputy Head Pupils:-

Kyle C & Alexa C

Attendance

EYFS

Miss Simpkin/Mrs Warboys - 95.5%

Miss Imbush - 97.2%

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KS1

Miss Ramsey - 95.8%

Miss Covey - 96.7%

Miss Leckerman - 96.8%

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LKS2

Mrs Herbet/Mrs Malyan - 94.3%

Mr Chaplin - 99.3%

Miss Glover - 93.1%

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UKS2

Miss Woodward - 93.0%

Mrs Parrag - 99.7%

Mr Newton - 96.1%



Well done to Mrs Parrag's class for attaining the highest attendance in week 4! Amazing! Geraldine will be spending the week with this class.

Well done to a those classes, and all pupils that are in school everyday!

School Council

We would like to congratulate the following pupils for being chosen to represent their classes on the school council.

ER - Amelia and Jack

IC - Princess, Tilly and Oscar

ML - Ava and Riley S

CMDH - Isaac, Ava and Harvey

DC - Sofia and Riley H

SG - Adriel and Alex

CW - Eliza M and Joshua

NP - Toby, Indiana and Joshua K

DN - Aggy and Karabo

Drakey



The children enjoyed their first job of naming our new Forest School mascot. We would like to introduce you to 'Drakey'.

The school council would like to create a snake of happiness for our Forest School. Therefore, we are asking for donations of smooth stones, at least 3" in length. If you have any you can kindly donate, please leave them at the office.

General Information

Secondary School Applications for Year 6

As you may be aware, the new secondary school admission round opened on Friday, 12 September 2026, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2026.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2025.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year.

All of the application information is available on the website above.

The website also has a copy of the Secondary Education in Essex 2026-27 booklet which contains details of all secondary school admission policies.

School Premises/Parking

Please note that dogs should not be brought on to the school grounds at any time, unless they are assistance dogs for the blind; this includes whether on a lead or being carried

We would also request that all parents/carers respect the school's neighbours and only park legally and with consideration for others. For safety reasons, at no time of the day should cars pull into the school's driveway

Allergy Aware School

The Robert Drake Primary is a **Allergy Aware School**. We have pupils with severe **airborne nut & banana allergies** and to safeguard our children all visitors must refrain from eating nuts & bananas and nut/banana based products for at least 6 hours before visiting the school

Uniform and Water Bottles

All pupils should adhere to the school's uniform policy. The policy can be found on the schools website at

[School Uniform Policy](#)

It is important that all pupils bring in a water bottle each day filled with water. It can be filled up at water stations during the day. This helps the children to remain hydrated and helps them to focus on their learning - 'knowing more and remembering more'. Water bottles should have a sports cap to avoid spills.

Friends of Robert Drake

The school has an active fundraising group. They are always looking for volunteers and hold regular meetings at the school; everyone is welcome.

They can be contacted through their Facebook page:

'Friends of Robert Drake School'

Please check out their site for full details of forthcoming fundraising events

2025-2026 Diary Dates

Find below dates for the academic year. Please note these dates are subject to change.

02.10.2025	Census Day
02.10.2025	2.30pm EYFS Parent Workshop – Phonics & Tapestry
03.10.2025	Happy's Circus
09.10.2025	Year 3 and 4 Class Assembly
09.10.2025	9.15am – Police Visit
10.10.2025	Roots to Food – Year 5 and 6
10.10.2025	Year 3 and 4 Trip to Thorndon – Caveman Day
14.10.2025	EYFS Parent Consultations 3.30am – 6pm
15.10.2025	EYFS Parent Consultations 3.30am – 4.30pm
22.10.2025	Year 3 Class Assembly
23.10.2025	Fancy Dress Disco - TBC
24.10.2025	Non- Uniform day
05.11.2025	Year 5 and 6 Career Day
06.11.2025	EYFS Parent Involvement Afternoon 1.45pm – 3pm
10.11.2025	Flu vaccinations - morning
11.11.2025	New Intake Open Evening
13.11.2025	Year 5 and 6 girls football Thundersley away, 3.30 pm
14.11.2025	Children in Need
21.11.2025	Year 5 and 6 Production
24.11.2025	Xmas Bazaar
25.11.2025	Xmas Bazaar
01.12.2025	Santa Fun Run
04.12.2025	KS1 Performance to parents 9am
04.12.2025	Year 5/6 boys football away Thundersley, 3.15 pm
05.12.2025	KS1 Performance to parents 9am
05.12.2025	Year 3 and 4 Performance at the church
05.12.2025	Year 5 and 6 Trip to Cardfields
10.12.2025	Pantomime at Towngate Theatre
12.12.2025	Christmas Jumper Day
16.12.2025	EYFS Xmas Production - am
17.12.2025	EYFS Xmas Production - am
18.12.2025	Talent Show
19.12.2025	Inset Day
09.01.2026	Year 5 Maya Day
22.01.2026	Dance Festival Year 3 – 9am- 11.30am
22.01.2026	Year 2 Class assembly 9am
22.01.2026	Y5/6 Boys Football Home vs Hadleigh
30.01.2026	Parental Involvement Year 3 and 4
02.02.2026	Art Challenge
03.02.2026	Class Photos
05.02.2026	Year 1 and 2 Class Assembly
09.02.2026	Safer Internet week
12.02.2026	Year 1 Class Assembly
13.02.2026	Non-Uniform Day
26.02.2026	KS1 Parental Involvement
05.03.2026	World Book Day
06.03.2026	KS1 Trip to Weald Park
10.03.2026	Parent Consultations
12.03.2026	Parent Consultations
20.03.2026	Sports Relief
20.03.2026	Year 5 and 6 Parental Involvement
20.03.2026	Year 6 SAT's and Stubbers Parents meeting
21.03.2026	Red Nose Day
23.03.2026	World Maths Day
25.03.2026	Easter Discos - TBC
01.05.2026	Year 3 and 4 Trip to Museum of Power
08.05.2026	EYFS Trip to Barleylands
14.05.2026	Inflatables Event after school
15.05.2026	Non Uniform Day
11.06.2026	EYFS Parental Involvement Afternoon
12.06.2026	Sports Day
15.06.2026	Stubbers Week
22.06.2026	Year 5 Trip to Danbury
22.06.2026	Book Fair week
23.06.2026	Year 6 Transition Day
24.06.2026	Year 6 Transition Day
26.06.2026	Year 1 & 2 Sealife Centre Trip
26.06.2026	Year 5 Assembly to Parents
29.06.2026	Jungle Book Production – Year 6 Workshop
30.06.2026	Meet the teacher
02.07.2026	Open Evening
03.07.2026	Inset Day