Headteacher's Notes

Dear Parents and Carers

It feels very strange indeed to be writing my last ever newsletter. Writing the newsletter is always a highlight of the week as it gives me the opportunity to reflect on the learning and the experiences that have taken place. There certainly is a lot to reflect on this week!

Before I share our weekly news, I would like to thank you all for attending and supporting our school, Winter Fayre. It was a really successful event and we raised £1069 for school funds. Thank you for your unbelievable generosity.

Our school has been a festive hive of activity – we have had nativities, carol services, a pantomime, Christmas jumper day and Christmas dinner. It has been very packed!

I was also privileged this week to have a special assembly. I was overwhelmed by the sheer thoughtfulness of the occasion. I had a funny feeling that something was being planned but nothing on the scale that actually appeared! As well as our Robins Lane children and staff, the mayor came, the governors attended, my ex-colleagues, friends, my husband and even my own 'real life' children! It was so beautiful and I felt utterly spoiled and very lucky to be surrounded by so many wonderful, special people. 'Half a world away' will forever bring a tear to my eye. Thank you.

May I also take this opportunity to say how grateful I am for the emails, the chats, the cards, the presents, the hugs and support I have had this week as you have taken time to celebrate my time in our wonderful school. I appreciate every single gesture. I have said this before but it is truly an honour to lead our school.

Robins Lane is the best – it really is. I will never forget how much I have learned during my time here. Your children are a credit to you all. We are a true learning community.

Stay safe, happy and healthy over the holidays and I wish you all the very best for 2026.

All my love,

Mrs Tomkow xx