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Robins Lane Primary School **Newsletter**

4th September 2026

Headteacher's Notes

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I would like to welcome everyone back to Robins Lane after the summer holidays. I hope that you all had a wonderful break and managed to make the most of the lovely warm weather.

The children have done incredibly well this week as they have settled back into school life. Returning to school after a long break is a big adjustment – early mornings, new routines and busy days all require lots of energy and concentration! We have been really proud of the way the children have embraced their return and it has been lovely to see so many happy faces around school.

With it being a short first week, we have placed a strong focus on transition and establishing positive routines. Across school, children have taken part in lessons and activities focused on behaviour and expectations, School Council, reading and important basic skills, including presentation, handwriting, spelling and editing.

We have also introduced our new **Maths Meetings** across school. These short, 10–15 minute daily sessions will give children regular opportunities to revisit and practise key areas of mathematics, helping them to develop fluency and confidently recall important mathematical knowledge.

Safeguarding has been another important focus. Children have been learning about the adults who keep them safe at Robins Lane, as well as revisiting important procedures such as fire drills and lockdowns. Classes have also explored age-appropriate safeguarding messages relevant to their year group, including how to keep themselves safe online.

In terms of safeguarding, we have been talking to the children about what they can do if something worries them and reminding them that there is always an adult at school who will listen and help. At Robins Lane, children can speak to our **Safeguarding Team – Mrs Ramage, Mrs McKeon and Mrs Roberts** – as well as their teachers, teaching assistants, lunchtime staff or office staff.

Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility and we are all here to help. If you have a concern about the safety or wellbeing of a child, please reach out to our Safeguarding Team by contacting the school office or emailing robinslanesafeguarding@sthelens.org.uk

Alongside all of this, the children have been working hard to make their new classrooms their own. Displays are beginning to fill up and the school environment is really starting to come to life!

This week, the children have also been learning about democracy and the importance of having a voice in our school community. After writing and presenting election speeches, each class took part in a democratic vote to elect their representatives.

I am pleased to announce our School Council members for 2026 – 27:

Year 1: Michael P & Ayla S

Year 2: Alice M & Beatrice L P

Year 3: Jax C & Matilda B

Year 4: Angel Y & Hassan B

Year 5: Chanudi A & Leon W

Year 6: Theo H & Alec M

During today's assembly, Year 6 children, who wished to be considered for the roles of Head Students and Deputy Head Students, presented their speeches to the school. We will announce the successful candidates next week. A huge well done to every child who put themselves forward. Standing up in front of others and sharing your ideas takes courage and confidence, and they should all be very proud of themselves. Good luck to everyone who took part!

Following feedback from children, staff and parents/carers, we have introduced our new **Behaviour & Relationships Policy** this term. At the heart of the policy is a simple aim: to help children make positive choices, build strong relationships and understand how their actions affect themselves and others.

One addition that has already generated plenty of excitement is the introduction of **Dojo Dollars**! As many families will know, children receive Dojo points when staff notice them demonstrating our school values and making positive choices. Previously, these were reset each week after our weekly certificates were awarded. This half-term, children will instead bank their Dojo points.

During the final week of the half-term, children will have the opportunity to exchange their points for Dojo Dollars and choose how they would like to spend them. Rewards might include something physical or an experience, such as watching a film or taking part in a football game. Our newly elected School Councillors will have an important role to play too, and we are looking forward to hearing their ideas about the rewards and experiences that would motivate children across school.

We are also replacing our Jigsaw Scrolls with a new **Aim High, Fly High Award**. This special award will recognise children who consistently demonstrate positive behaviour, as well as those who have made significant improvements over time. It celebrates children who live out our WINGS values through their everyday actions and gives us an opportunity to recognise the positive choices that can sometimes go quietly unnoticed. We want children to understand that doing the right thing matters – whether somebody is watching or not – and to celebrate those who contribute positively to our warm-hearted school community.

Next week, we are looking forward to welcoming lots of families into school for our **Meet the Team sessions**:

Monday 7th September – Phase 1: Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Wednesday 9th September – Phase 2: Year 3 and Year 4

Thursday 10th September – Phase 3: Year 5 and Year 6

These sessions are a great opportunity to put some names to faces, refresh your knowledge of some of our school systems and policies, and find out more about the routines, expectations and learning specific to your child's year group.

Thank you to our children, families and staff for helping to make our first few days back such a positive start to the new school year.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K Ramage

Interim Headteacher

