St Robert's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter- Week 8

Autumn Term Prayer

Loving God,

As we begin this new half term, we thank You for the rest and time spent with our families and friends.

Bless our school community as we come together once again to learn, grow and serve one another. Help us to work hard, be kind in our words and actions, and always do our best.

As the days grow shorter and we journey through the season of Advent towards Christmas, fill our hearts with hope, joy and peace. Help us to see Your presence in those around us and to share Your love with everyone we meet.

We pray especially for all members of our school family, that they may feel safe, valued and supported each day.

May St Robert pray for us and guide us in all that we do.

Amen.

Welcome back everyone. I hope you all had an enjoyable half-term break and managed to stay safe despite the recent storms.

As we move into November, we would like to wish all our families a safe and enjoyable Bonfire Night.

It is hard to believe that there are now only seven weeks until Christmas! The weeks ahead are always a special time in school, and we are looking forward to sharing a number of lovely events and celebrations with the children as we move through Advent and towards the festive season. Please keep an eye on our 'Save the Date' section and school communications so that you don't miss any of the exciting events coming up.

Miss Rhodes

Bobbies Bikes Gets Off to a Flying Start!

A huge thank you to Mrs Power and Mrs Forde, who have dedicated an enormous amount of time and commitment to securing a fantastic grant through the Active Travel Fund. Thanks to their hard work, we are now able to offer even more opportunities for our children to develop confidence, skills and enjoyment through cycling.

The Bobbies Bikes initiative got off to a flying start this week, with "Magic Dave" Burns working with many of our pupils to help them learn to ride a bike or further develop their cycling confidence and skills. The children involved had a brilliant time and it was wonderful to see the pride on their faces as they achieved personal milestones and challenged themselves to try something new. Thank you Dave!

We were especially delighted to celebrate 7 children learning to ride a bike from scratch- a fantastic achievement!

With an enviable fleet of bikes now available, this is just the beginning of an exciting journey. We look forward to sharing more updates and success stories as the project continues to grow. Well done to everyone involved

Parent Information Meetings

Our **Parent Information Meetings** will take place next week, and we look forward to welcoming you into school on **Tuesday 10th November** and **Thursday 12th November**.

These meetings are a valuable opportunity to talk with your child's teacher about how they have settled into school, the progress they are making, and how they are getting on socially with their friends and classmates. We hope you will find the discussions informative and helpful, and we look forward to continuing to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

You should already have received a booking link to arrange your appointment. If you have any difficulties booking a slot, please contact the school office, who will be happy to help.

We look forward to seeing you next week.

Children in Need – Friday 13th November

On Friday 13th November, we will be supporting Children in Need and inviting children to accessorise their school uniform with something fun and colourful. Whether it's a spotty headband, bright socks, a Pudsey accessory or a splash of yellow, we look forward to seeing everyone's creativity on display while still wearing their school uniform. We are asking for a suggested donation of £2 per family, which can be paid either in cash or via ParentPay. As always, all donations, large or small, will be gratefully received and will help support the fantastic work carried out by this worthwhile charity. Thank you for your continued generosity and support**.**

Odd Socks Day- Antibullying week

On Monday 16th November, we will be celebrating Odd Socks Day to mark the start of Anti-Bullying Week. We would like to invite all children to come to school wearing odd socks with their usual school uniform.

Odd Socks Day is a fun and simple way to celebrate what makes us all unique. By

wearing odd socks, we recognise that everyone is different and that our differences should be valued and respected. The day also helps to start important conversations about kindness, inclusion and standing up against bullying.

This year's Anti-Bullying Week theme is "Break the Silence", encouraging children to speak up if they are worried about bullying and to support one another in creating a safe and respectful school community.

There is no cost involved and children simply need to wear their odd socks with pride! We look forward to seeing everyone's colourful and mismatched socks on Monday 16th November.

Reception 2027 Open Day

We look forward to welcoming prospective new families into school on **Thursday 12th November** for our Open Day. Our Year 6 pupils will be providing guided tours of the school and I am sure they will do us proud, showcasing all that makes our school such a special place to learn and grow.

If you, or someone you know, has a child who will be **four years old by 31 August 2027**, please help us spread the word about our Open Day. We have been delighted by the level of interest shown so far and are pleased to confirm that places are still available.

If you are unable to attend on 12th November, we would be very happy to arrange a personal tour at an alternative time. We would love the opportunity to show you around and share what makes our school community so special.

To book your place on a tour, please use the link below.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/2002615184927?aff=oddtdtcreator

Attendance this week is 96.97%

(national average 95.4%)

Thank you

Save the Date

w/c 9th November

Tuesday 10th November – Parents Information Evening 3.30pm to 5.40pm

Thursday 12th November – Open day – Reception 2027

Thursday 12th November – Eagles family worship 9.10am

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Friday 13th November – Children in Need

w/c 16th November

Monday 16th November – Odd Socks Day

Wednesday 18th November – Merlins family worship 9.10am

Friday 20th November – Individual and Sibling Photos

Friday 20th November – UKS2 Mass @ Church 12pm

w/c 23rd November

Thursday 26th November – Kestrels family worship 9.10am

w/c 30th November

Tuesday 1st December – Owls family worship 9.10am

Friday 4th December – EYFS Nativity followed by Stay and Play 9.30am

w/c 7th December

Wednesday 9th December – KS1 Nativity Parents' Performance 10.00am

w/c 14th December

Monday 14th and Tuesday 15th December – Bikeability course 2 – Eagles

Tuesday 15th December – Advent Retreat

Wednesday 16th December – Christmas Lunch and Christmas Craft Day

Thursday 17th December – Kites family worship 9.10am

Friday 18th December – School breaks up at 3.25pm for Christmas holidays