



Robert Shaw Primary and Nursery School

MAY 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the Summer Term, it is great to see the children back looking very smart and motivated to learn.

As you know, the children in Year 2 and Year 6 are about to take their SATs and across the school the children will be completing end of year assessments. It is essential that we continue to improve attendance during the Summer Term, as this is very important in order to provide the children with the best educational opportunities in order to attain their end of year expectations.

Well done on the improvements that have been made to our attendance as this currently stands at 95.3%; which is an improvement of 1.1%, up from 94.2% for the same time last year. However, we are still below the Department of Education and Ofsted's expectation of 96%. Come on – WE CAN DO IT!!!!

It is with a heavy heart that I am informing you of Mr Ridsdale's departure from Robert Shaw Primary School. He has chosen to retire at the end of this academic year (No he's not old enough!). He and his wife have a full and exciting retirement planned involving lots of holidays and travel.

Karen Coker
Head Teacher

Texting School

If you prefer, you can report your child's absence via text rather than calling the school. Please **do not** send texts to the normal school number as they will not be picked up. The number to send your texts to is 01158240497. Please remember to also include the reason for your child's absence along with your child's name and class in the text.

NEW MENUS

New School Meal Menus have now been given to the children. Please take the time to look at our new and improved menus. We now have Halal and Vegetarian options available every day with a variety of choices. If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 they are entitled to **FREE SCHOOL MEALS**. There are a lot of children not having a school meal so please do take advantage of this and let your child have a school meal. If you have any questions regarding the meals, our School Cook will be only too pleased to answer them.

Dates for your diary!

Monday 8 th May	Year 6 SATs (4 days)
Thursday 25 th May	Class Photographs
Thursday 25 th May	Last day of half term
Friday 26th May	INSET Day – school closed
Monday 5th June	First day back at school
Monday 12 th June	Yr1/Yr2 Phonics Screening Week
Friday 23 rd June	Caythorpe Court Residential Trip
Friday 14 th July	Year 2 Wollaton Hall Camp

Dinner money payments

As of now we cannot allow school dinner payments to be more than 2 weeks arrears – this means that if we do not receive dinner money payment for 2 weeks we will not be able to provide your child with a school meal.

SCHOOL DINNERS

If your child has school meals you can now choose which days you would like them to stay, providing they are paid for and chosen on a **MONDAY**. We **cannot** take orders for selected days any later than this. Write your child's name, class, day/s meals are required and "dinner money" on a **sealed envelope** and post in the silver box on the wall outside the office.

PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL

If you have to make several payments for different things to school, please keep them in separate envelopes as each collection of money is allocated and paid in to a different "pot". Please make sure that **ALL** payments made are in named and sealed envelopes and are put in the silver post box on the wall outside the School Office. **We will not take money directly over the counter.**

BREAKFAST CLUB

We still have spaces available in our Breakfast Club. We charge £1.00 per day, per child and this includes toast, cereal and fruit juice. If you are interested in a space for your child, please speak to Mrs Cooper in the School Office. Unfortunately, we cannot take children from the Nursery in to Breakfast Club due to staffing numbers.