



# St Robert Southwell School Newsletter



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Aiming for Excellence - Being the Best We Can Be

<p><b><u>Wellbeing &amp; Mental Health Vision</u></b></p> <p>To support everyone’s wellbeing and mental health, so that they can be the ‘Best they can Be,’ are happy together, resilient, ready to learn and succeed.</p>	<p><b><u>Mission Statement</u></b></p> <p>Following Jesus’ footsteps and inspired by St Robert Southwell, we work hard, aim high and treat everyone with honesty and gentleness.</p>	<p><b><u>Vision Statement</u></b></p> <p>Vision: Aiming for Excellence: <b>Being The Best We Can Be.</b></p>
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## **Catholic Life of the School**

Gentle God, fill us with compassion, so we may imitate your love, caring for our neighbours, both near and far. Amen.

## **Sustainability in Action!!**

A Healthier Earth, the R&D subsidiary of Pure Data Centres Group (Pure DC), and living wall specialist Viritopia, installed a free-living wall for our school this week. We would not have been able to afford this installation and are incredibly grateful for their generosity. The new vertical garden will absorb air pollution, improve biodiversity, and encourage learning about nature and climate action. We made the London Daily News with this initiative; for more information click the link <https://www.londondaily.news/new-living-wall-to-bring-nature-into-the-playground-at-brent-primary-school/>

## **Eco Film Launch**

Beth Newma, Brent’s Schools Climate Action Manager, was in school this week sharing the Brent Eco Film featuring some of our children. The children shared a range of sustainability messages in the film. Thank you to all who came along to see the film.

## **Message**



You will have received your child’s academic reports this week which includes your child’s attendance for the year to date and an overview of their effort and attainment. If you have any queries, please email Mrs McEvoy [cmcevoy@robsouth.org](mailto:cmcevoy@robsouth.org)

We finished the week with an amazing concert, demonstrating all our musical talent from across the juniors. Well done to all who performed.

Next week is a full school week and there is lots happening including the opportunity on Thursday for the children meet their new class teacher and visit the classroom they will be in for the next school year. They will also be given their summer reading book. On Friday, we will also say goodbye to Year 6 who are looking forward to starting secondary school in September.

## Key Dates for Next Week

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	6.00pm	Year 6 Talent Show. Tickets on sale for £5 per seat. Children need to be back at school at 5.30pm, guests seated by 5.45pm.
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	8.45am  9.00am – 12.00pm  2.00pm	Year 6 Breakfast with their family. Children to register as normal and then join their parent(s) for breakfast.  Class swap morning – children will meet their new teacher  Sports Finale assembly – Years 1-6. All welcome.
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00 am  10.30am  2.00 pm	Celebration Assembly  Leavers Mass - All welcome  School finishes for the Summer Holiday – No After School Club

## Year 6 Leavers

Please ensure you have paid all outstanding monies owed to the school and that your SCOPAY account is cleared by Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> July.

## Uniform/ Earrings/ Piercings

Our policy states that only small stud earrings are permissible, and for clarification only one earring in each earlobe. No other piercings are permitted. We will be monitoring this carefully next week and you will be sent a message if your child is wearing incorrect earrings. We would expect this to be resolved and the policy to be adhered to.

Our school colours are compulsory for all items worn into school. Black coat, black shoes, black tracksuit bottoms with an elasticated cuff etc, etc. Most items can be purchased anywhere but the following are compulsory branded items.

Nursery/ Reception	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Branded School Sweatshirt</li><li>2. Branded Red Polo Shirt</li><li>3. Branded Book Bag</li></ol>	
Year 1 & 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Branded school Jumper or cardigan</li><li>2. Branded school Sweatshirt</li><li>3. Branded Book Bag</li></ol>	School Tie
Year 3 & 4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Branded school Jumper or cardigan</li><li>2. Branded school Sweatshirt</li><li>3. Branded Ruck Sack</li></ol>	School Tie
Year 5 & 6	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Branded school Jumper or cardigan</li><li>2. Branded school Sweatshirt</li><li>3. Branded Ruck Sack</li></ol>	School Tie

## **Polite Requests**

### **Absence at the end of term:**

If you know your child is going to be absent at the end of term because you have booked an early holiday, please complete the leave form available from the office. All holiday absence is recorded as unauthorised, filling in the form helps us in terms of safeguarding and administration, so we do not spend lots of time checking where your child is.

We have a duty to follow up all absence and if we are unable to contact you because you are away, we may need to refer to the police to do a welfare check.

If your child is going to be absent during the last week of term, they will miss class swap day and the summer reading book and activity. Please encourage your child to request their summer read before they go on holiday.

### **If you are moving away:**

If you know your family is relocating over the summer and your child will not be returning to St Robert Southwell in September, please can you email [admin@robsouth.org](mailto:admin@robsouth.org) so we can offer places to children on our waiting list.

### **Change of contact details**

If you change your address, or mobile phone number please notify the office as soon as possible so we can keep our records up to date. Please email the details to [admin@robsouth.org](mailto:admin@robsouth.org)

We must have a minimum of two current emergency contacts on file for each child.

## **Fund Raising for the All-Weather Surface**

'The St Robert Southwell Charitable Foundation' launched a 'GoFundMe' page to try and raise £150,000 to create an all-weather play surface and multi-purpose games area to transform our outdoor space.

[SRSCF - GoFundMe - all weather sports surface](https://www.gofundme.com/u/6342afe1-710d-4cf9-92d1-0caf9c28b001)

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**The total in the GoFundMe account including cash deposits and the generous donation from the Friends' Association is £28,126.** This is 19% of our target. Well done everyone and special thanks to our Friends' Association for their support. Please do ask any companies you are linked with to consider making a one off or regular donation every penny counts!