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# Newsletter

24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

## Upcoming Events

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025 Half Term Break

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November Inset Day - school closed to children**

Week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> November

10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> November Year 6 Cardfields residential

Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> Year 1 and 2 visit Tower of London

Week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> November

Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> November Year 4 Class Assembly

Week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> November

Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> November Year 2 Class Assembly

Week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> December

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Year 5 Science Museum visit

Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Class Assembly

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Jack and the Beanstalk Lyric Theatre

8<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> December Zonation Project

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December last day of Autumn Term

**See our website or click here for all term dates  
for the academic year 2025/2026.**

## Message from Ms Liney

Well done to everybody! We have made it to the end of a long half term, sustaining excellent behaviour and industrious learning across the eight weeks.

Seeing the children show off their attendance in our Celebration Assembly today was heartening. Every day in school is important and we appreciate you sharing that message that at home. Well done to the 76 children who managed 100% attendance! Today, we also awarded our new School Councillors their shiny badges which signify the important role they play in representing the children's voice in all areas of school life. We can't wait to hear their suggestions and see them lead the 5 past 1 show on Fridays.

Please read on to see some of our Black History Month artwork which will form a colourful and prominent display in our lunch hall. As our half termly topics come to an end, Year 1 have also shared some of their artwork on Kings and Queens. In Autumn 2, many educational visits are booked to enrich our topics – take a look at Upcoming Events on this page.

As this was my first half term in my new role, I would like to thank Ms Horton, our Executive Head, who does so much unseen work to lead our school. My huge thanks also to the whole Robert Blair team and school community – this is such a special place to teach and learn.

I wish you all a restful and enjoyable half term break. We look forward to seeing everyone back on **Tuesday** 4<sup>th</sup> November.

Sara Liney, Head of School

## House Points

**Year totals so far...**

**1,850**

**Paradise park**

**1,560**

**Clock Tower**

**1,610**

**Colly Bridge**

**1,600**

**Market Road**



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# Attendance and Punctuality Matters

Attendance is everyone's responsibility

Class with the  
highest attendance  
term is:  
**Oceania (Year 3)**  
**97.3%**  
**Well Done!**

Every class missed is a lesson lost.  
Be present, be engaged and  
watch your knowledge grow

Our home-  
school  
partnership is  
key to  
successful  
outcomes for  
our pupils

## Holiday during term time.

A reminder that, like all Islington schools, we do not authorise holidays taken in term time. Some parents may believe that there is a right to a certain number of days holiday during term time. This is not true. **You may be served with a Penalty Notice or a summons to court for your child/ren's unauthorised absence** once your child turns 5 years old and will incur a fine from the Local Authority.

We current have 86 children who have attendance of 98-100% this half term. A huge well done to them and we hope they can keep up the excellent attendance. Thank you, parents/carers for your support in ensuring children come to school every day and on time!

Our whole  
school  
attendance  
this half term  
is:  
**96.0%**

## Extended Day Provision

8-8.45 am Breakfast club  
8.45-9am Soft Start  
9am Registration  
(any child arriving after 9am is marked as late)  
3.15pm Collection time  
3.30-4.45 Enrichment clubs  
3.30-6pm extended day provision.

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# School Council

**A huge congratulations to our newly elected school council of 2025-2026!**

All the nominees went through a thorough and democratic process to become our elected School Council members. Each candidate began by delivering a speech in their class, after which classmates voted to select the top three representatives. These shortlisted candidates then presented their speeches in whole-school assemblies. Finally, the entire school participated in an electronic voting system to elect the new School Council members.

## Robert Blair School Council members:

Year 1: Aliza and Hashim  
Year 2-Delilah and Arthur  
Year 3-Kenleigh-Rose and Asaiah  
Year 4-Amari and Malak  
Year 5 Alkeo and Iona  
Year 6- Lis and Ayyub



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# BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2025

Standing Firm in Power and Pride



Year 5 and Year 6 studied the  
work of the influential black artist  
Frank Bowling

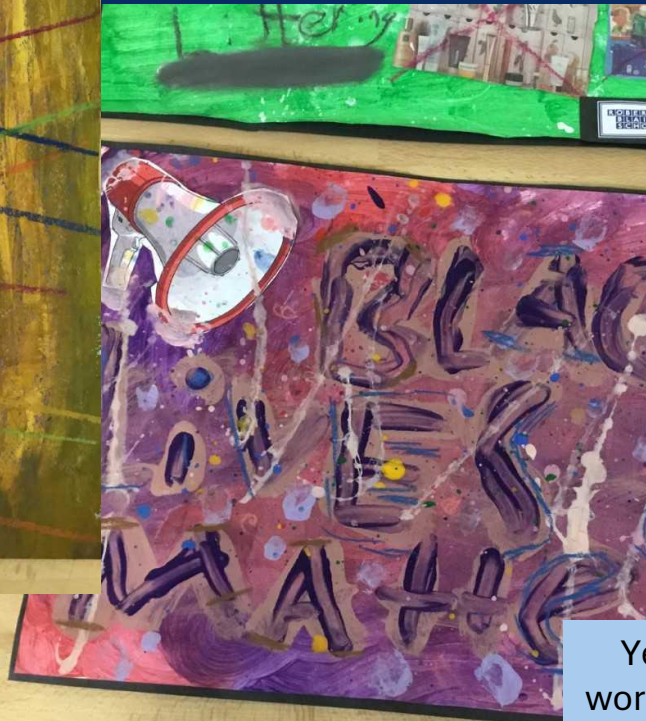


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& CHILDREN'S CENTRE



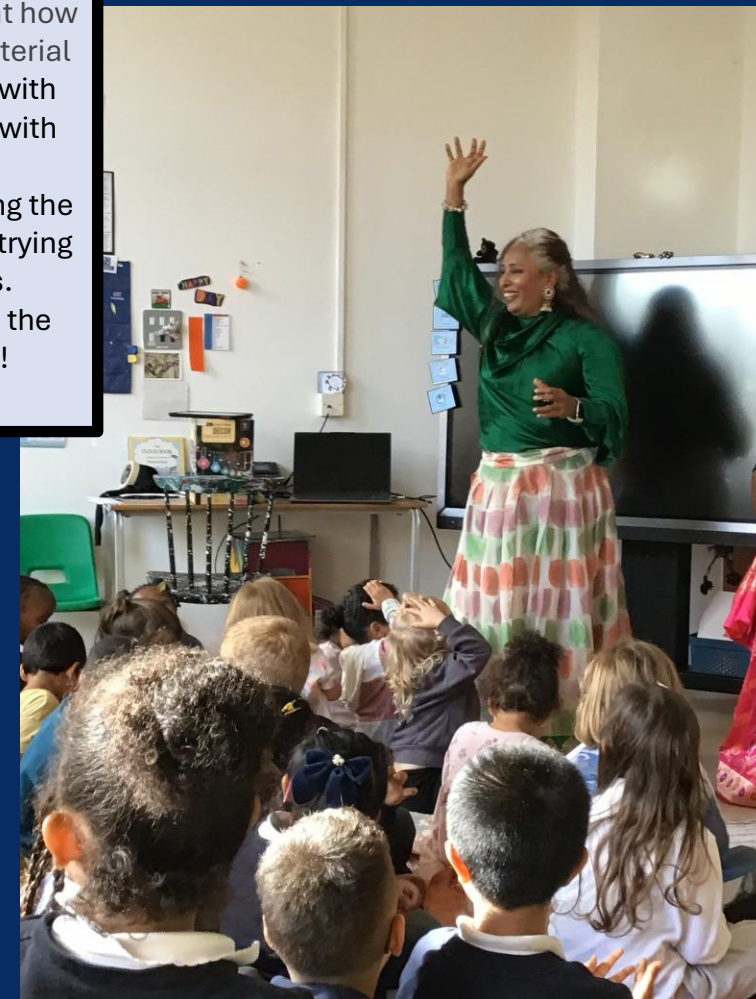
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# Happy Diwali 2025!

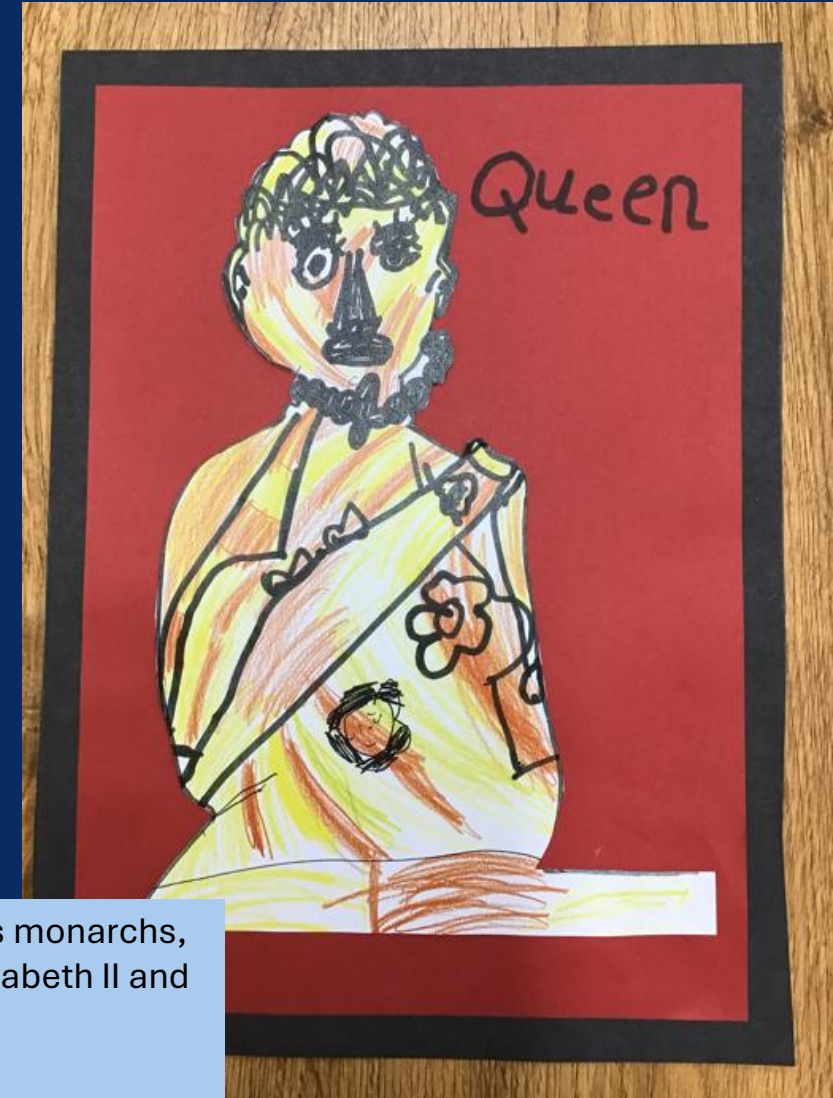
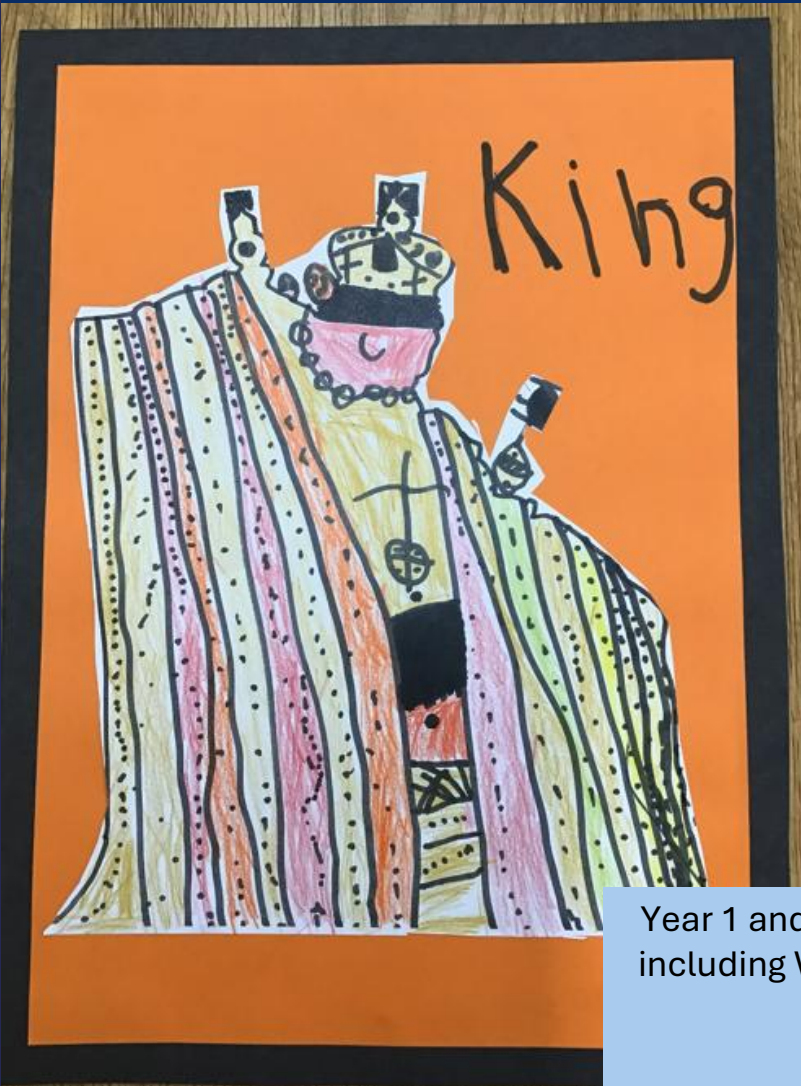
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October was the Hindu festival of Diwali. A big thank you to Ms Ramdhian for coming to teach Early Years and Year 1 all about the traditions and significance of this celebration. She brought the experience to life by telling the story of Rama and Sita and sharing how Diwali is experienced through all the senses.

The children loved the sound of the bell and were amazed at how long the beautiful sahari material is. They had fun engaging with the resources afterwards with the dressing up celebration clothes, drawing the various types of Diyas and trying on some shiny bangles. And the staff appreciated the delicious Diwali treats!



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## Year 1 and Year 2 Kings and Queens



Year 1 and Year 2 have been studying some of our most famous monarchs, including William the Conqueror, Henry VIII, the late Queen Elizabeth II and our current King Charles III.

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# Football News

## Year 5 and Year 6 Boys' Football Team

We went to Whittington Park to play Tufnell Park School. Before the match, we warmed up and trained with practice shots on goal. After, we had to play our match. In the first half, we were losing 2-0. In the second half, we let in more goals until it was 6-0. But then Taim scored a last minute "top bins" goal. The goalie didn't stand a chance! We left feeling excited by this goal and proud of how we had played. The team was so focussed that we didn't even hear all our parents cheering us on!

### Ja'zion – Year 6



A huge thank you to Ibrahim's mum for our wonderful new football kits!

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# Working with Families

At Robert Blair we have an extended day provision available.

Breakfast club starts at 8am every morning during term time. Children are offered a variety of breakfast options, such as bagel, toast, cereal, beans on toast and milk.

There are a range of activities available for the children to take part in. On Tuesdays and Wednesdays, we have our sports coaches running morning sports activities, along with competitive board games, team building games, reading and so forth.



Don't forget - our after school clubs and extended day provision will be starting after half term.

Please sign up if you haven't done so. See ARBOR for booking information. If your child has SEND or additional needs, please inform the office before booking.

## Monday



Homework Club  
Ms Bradley & Ms Meaker

Suitable for Y1-Y6  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November  
2025



## Tuesday



Football Club  
Coaches

Suitable for Y1 -Y6  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November  
2025



## Wednesday



Gymnastics  
Coaches

Suitable for Y1 to Y6  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> 2025



## Thursday



Gardening  
Ms Caroline

Suitable for Y1 to Y6  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November  
2025



Lego Club  
Ms Browne

Suitable for REC to Y6  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November  
2025

