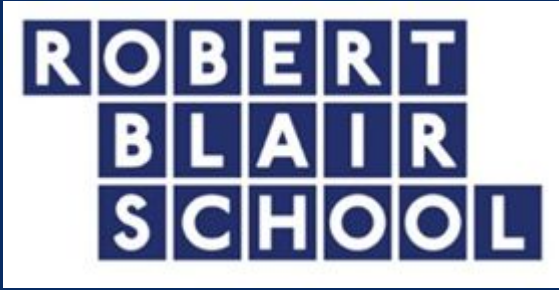




Newsletter

26th June 2026



Upcoming Events

Week of 29th June:

Mon 29th June Y6 Swimming begins (2 weeks)

Thurs 2nd July Y4 Class assembly

Week of 6th July: TRANSITION WEEK

Monday 6th

Nursery 2026 Stay and Play 3:45-4:30

Wednesday 8th

Reception 2026 Open Morning 9:30-11am

Fri 10th 3:15 - 5pm SUMMER FAIR and EXHIBITION

Week of 13th July:

Mon 13th July 9:30 Year 6 Show:

THESEUS AND THE MINOTAUR

Mon 13th 3:45-5pm Year 6 Disco

Thurs 16th July Y6 Leavers' assembly

Friday 17th July last day of term - school ends at 2pm

Term dates for 2026/2027 are at the end of this newsletter.

Message from Ms Liney

What a week it has been! Firstly, I must say a huge thank you to the staff team for their commitment throughout the hot weather this week, as well as the children for their resilience. Everyone has been extremely supportive of each other. Thank you to our families for your flexibility with organising pick-up times around work and other commitments. We look forward to resuming normal timetables next week.

Thank goodness we didn't have this heat for our Sports Day! Once again, Ms Maguire and the coaches did an excellent job of organising a brilliant day for us. It was heartwarming to hear the children supporting their team mates and their friends, encouraging each other whilst competing at the same time. They showed amazing sportsmanship. Personally, I thought the Tug of War was the best it's ever been, so maybe we should keep that idea. As for the parent/teacher race...it was certainly a lot of fun!

I am pleased to share that our Year 1 phonics and Year 4 times tables results were excellent. Congratulations to the children and the teaching team for their incredible work and progress.

As we begin to turn our attention to next year, transition week will be from 6th to 10th July. This is when the children will spend time with their new teaching team so everyone can get to know each other ahead of the holidays. For families, new teachers will be around at the start and end of day, so please take the opportunity to say hello. Nursery and Reception families are invited in to our Early Years setting - see the dates and times opposite. Additionally, new recruits will join us for the summer fair on Friday 10th July. We look forward to seeing you all there and celebrating together. Don't forget, this year you are also invited to our exhibition of children's work on the theme of Robert Blair School - past, present and future!

Ms Liney, Head of School



Social Media Ban



Social Media Ban for Children Under the Age of 16: Information for Families

You have likely heard about the government's landmark legislation to restrict social media access for children under the age of 16. As we navigate this major cultural shift together, I wanted to outline what this means for our families and how we can best support our children through it.

By spring 2027, social media companies will be legally required to block access for anyone under 16. and will apply to TikTok, YouTube, Instagram, Snapchat, Facebook, and X.

We will be updating our policy and education in due course. We already warn families of the risk of these platforms and current age restrictions (many 13+) and the school has policy and best practice on classroom use too.

Further info can be found from the BBC Under-16s social media ban: What parents need to know

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cp3xy3gq79eo>

and Internet Matters <https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/uk-social-media-ban-and-new-online-safety-measures>

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Sports Day



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Tuesday 16th June @ Market Road Football Pitches

Congratulations to the 2026 House Cup winners...Market Road!!!



Cally Bridge - 1818 points

Paradise Park - 2621

Clocktower - 2132

Market Road - 2329



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Summer Fair and Exhibition



SUMMER FAIR
Friday 10th July 2026
3.15pm - 5pm
Join us for lots of family fun!

- Food Stalls
- Live Raffle
- Bouncy Castle
- Inflatable Slide
- Tombola
- Face Painting
- Snacks and Drinks
- Penalty Shoot Out!

£1 ENTRY

Summer 2 Learning

As part of our whole school topic *'The Past, Present and Future of Robert Blair'*, we warmly welcome you to an exhibition of your child's work on Friday 10th July.

The exhibition will take place in the middle hall and will be open for you to browse during the Summer Fair.

The children will be creating artwork inspired by Stephen Wiltshire and Jeannie Baker's *Window*. We look forward to showcasing the children's creativity and celebrating all of their learning with you.



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Summer Fair

How you can get involved

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Volunteers

needed!

Summer Fair Tombola and Raffle Prizes



Can you help with donations?



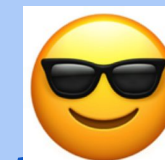
We need:

- ✓ Nearly new toys
- ✓ Unwanted gifts
- ✓ Teddies
- ✓ Books
- ✓ Games for school ages children



When we need it:

We can start collecting from **NOW** right up until **Monday 6th July.**
Please send donations in with your child or drop them at the school office.



Help set up from 1pm and/or run a stall from 3pm
Contact Ms Maguire via

admin@robertblairschool.co



NURSERY and UNDER 3s



Cooking together

Enjoy some fun and simple cooking with your little one! These activities are important for spending time together and help develop skills such as focus, following instructions, and fine and gross motor skills, as well as encouraging children to try new foods and textures. They also support your child's communication, creativity and early learning while enjoying quality time together.

Homemade playdough

Mix 2 cups of flour
1 cup of salt
2 cups of warm water and
2 tablespoons of oil.

Put 30 seconds in the microwave and then knead it until smooth.

Optional : add food colouring for vibrant playdough colors!



Easy banana pancakes

Mash 1 ripe banana
mix it with 1 egg
and
cook small spoonfuls in a
lightly oiled frying pan
until golden on both sides



Extra Boost (SEND)

The free sessions help children build confidence, attention, communication and social skills through play in a calm environment, while parents can learn strategies to support their child's development and connect with other families.

**Every Wednesday,
1.30pm to 3pm, Ambler
Children Centre (N4)**



Extra Boost (SEND)

For parents with children aged 0-5 with additional needs

Extra boost is a specialist group activity for under 5s with additional needs and who benefit from a quieter space where their individual needs can be met.

Sessions will help your child to:

- Feel comfortable playing and exploring in a small group
- Build attention during play
- Experience taking turns when playing

Sessions will help you to:

- Learn more about how your child communicates and further support your child's communication development
- Share any concerns and experiences with the practitioners and other parents
- Interact with your child in a calm environment

**Wednesday's
13:30pm – 15:00pm**
**Ambler Children's
Centre, N4 2QX.**

For more information, please contact:
brightstartcentral@islington.gov.uk
020 7527 8465

Family Hubs, Start for Life



Space available from September 2026

Please apply now for your child for Baby room (under 2's), Toddler room (2 to 3 years old) or Nursery room (3 to 4 years old)

Apply online on <https://www.robertblairschool.com/childrens-centre/admissions/>

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Starting Reception 2026 Parent Workshops

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Due to popular demand, the Family Hubs Early Years Therapies team, together with the Health Visiting service & Early Years Foundation Stage Team, will be delivering 2 additional online workshops for Parents / Carers with advice and practical tips for children around starting reception.

Parents and carers are invited to join us for a workshop where we will share ideas and helpful steps around starting reception including what parents/carers can do at home to build their child's development, confidence and independence for starting reception.

Booking is via Eventbrite

Information about the workshops and booking details are below:

Date: Thursday 2nd July 2026

Time: 1:30 – 2:30pm

Online on MS Teams

[Click here to register](#)

Date: Thursday 16th July 2026

Time: 1:30 – 2:30pm

Online on MS Teams

[Click here to register](#)

Bright Start ISLINGTON **FAMILY HUBS** **ISLINGTON** **Whittington Health NHS Trust**

STARTING RECEPTION

Workshop for Parents / Carers with advice and practical tips for children starting reception

The Family Hubs Universal Therapies Team, Health Visiting service & Early Years Foundation Stage Team will provide advice on:

- Growing Independence
 - Building Communication & Relationships
- Physical Development
- Healthy Routines

Thursday 2nd July 1:30 – 2:30pm
ONLINE – MS Teams

[Click here to register](#)

Thursday 16th July 1:30 – 2:30pm
ONLINE – MS Teams

[Click here to register](#)

Choose a date & register with EventBrite by scanning the QR code or using the link.

2026 – 2027 term dates

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 Inset Day
(no school for students)

 Bank Holiday

 School Holidays