

Roysia Review

Roysia Middle School Burns Road Royston Herts SG8 5EQ Tel: 01763 241555 Fax: 01763 246928
E-mail admin.roysia@rsat.org.uk www.roysia.herts.sch.uk
<http://www.roysia.herts.sch.uk/newsletter.pdf>

Dear Parents/Carers

Citizenship education is about enabling young people to make their own decisions and to take responsibility for their own lives and communities. This is often explored at Roysia through lessons, assemblies and the work of the school council.

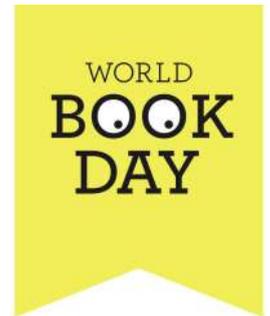
This week, Roysia's School Council had the opportunity to meet with Vera Swallow—Town Councillor, Gerald Morris—District Councillor, Lindsay Davidson—Town Councillor and Steve Jarvis - County Councillor. The aim of the visit was to

- Discuss the role of a councillor
- Explain how town, district and County Councils work
- Address issues raised by the student council
- Discuss citizenship issues

Pupils valued the chance to learn about the Council and shared their ideas on Royston (including requests for a larger BMX skatepark and book shop). The Councillors also drew pupils attention to the 'Naturally Royston Young Persons Photographic Competition'. We would like to encourage Roysia pupils to take part and further details can be found in this edition of the review.

We are celebrating World Book Day today. As we write, the school has been invaded by a host of characters from a range of books. The importance of reading is stressed in school because studies show that reading for pleasure makes a big difference to children's educational performance. Evidence suggest that children who read for enjoyment every day not only perform better in reading tests than those who do not, but also develop a broader vocabulary, increased general knowledge and a better understanding of other cultures. All pupils have been given a National Book Token that they can use to pick one of ten books or get £1 off any book or audio book costing over £2.99 at any participating bookshop.

What books is your child reading? Why not share a book together this weekend—especially if the 'Beast from the East' keeps preventing outdoor activities!



Mrs Rawlings and Mrs Jandu

PARKING AT SCHOOL

Please can we remind everyone to park safely and sensibly when dropping off and collecting your child at Roysia. We have had a number of complaints from local residents recently which is something we would like to avoid.

Just as a reminder, please do not park on any double yellow lines, too close to junctions, on footpaths or across residents drives. We have been advised by our local PCSO that the police will be patrolling outside school once again and will issue tickets to repeat offenders. Your cooperation in this matter is very much appreciated.

AYLMERTON

With only just over a week to go until the Year 5 trip to Aylmerton can we please ask parents/carers to ensure children have everything on the check list. If you are having difficulty with any of the items, please contact the office.

If your child needs to take any medication on the trip please come into the office to complete a Med1 form. If your child suffers from Asthma, please ensure they have 2 pumps for the trip.

All outstanding payments need to be made as soon as possible.

REMINDER

For your child to be successful in school, they should have the following equipment with them **every** day: Black/Blue writing pen; pencil; ruler; eraser; pencil sharpener; colouring pencils along with their school diary.

Your co-operation with this is most appreciated.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a stockpile of lost property including some winter coats! Please check with your child for any missing items as we

PAYMENTS AND PERMISSION SLIP

France - the next instalment for the KS3 French Trip is due today

Year 6 Mandir Temple - Wednesday 7th March - if you have not already done so please return your permission slip and payment as soon as possible

West Road - Tickets were sent home yesterday. If you did not receive yours, please contact the office. If you have not already done so, please return the permission slip for the rehearsal on 8 March at Meridian School .

NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS OF ROYSIA

10 February we held a Valentines Disco

Thanks to everyone who came to our Valentine Disco, we were really pleased with the turn out! The children had a lovely time with a tuck shop for snacks and drinks, tattoos, glows and music for the evening.

We do hope they all enjoyed themselves.

Our next disco will be on **18 May 7-9pm.**



23 February Adults Bingo

We had a lovely evening and had the biggest turnout for one of our bingo evenings so far. There were a lot of laughs, money won and the event raised £151.00.

Next dates for Bingo: 27 April, 25 May, 29 June

Thank you for your continued support

*Beth Moorley, Sam Bowen
Friends of Roysia*

YEAR 5&6 FOOTBALL MATCH

On Tuesday 27 February seven girls from KS2 took part in a 7 aside football tournament at Greneway. During a friendly match the girls triumphed with a 3-0 win. Unfortunately this could not be repeated for the league match but despite the freezing temperatures the girls showed great spirit and sportsmanship. Well done Daisymay, Anna-Rose, Charley, Caitlyn, Elise, Libby and Lucie!



*Miss B Williamson
Leader of PE*

VISIT BY COUNCILLORS

This week the school council were visited by Councillors Morris, Davidson, Jarvis and Swallow. The children learnt about some of their responsibilities and were given the opportunity to talk about issues relating to the town and to the school merger.

Pupils were praised for their perceptive comments and understanding of responsibilities.



FRIDAY 9 FEBRUARY - MIDDLE YEARS DAY

It was with great excitement that pupils from Roysia and Grenway spent a day working together on a collaborative middle years day on Friday 9 February. Year 5, 6 and 7 spent the day based at the Grenway site where they enjoyed a number of different activities including team building, designing a school logo and motto, getting to know the site and, most importantly, getting to know each other.

Year 8 spent the day on the Roysia site working in teams on a business project to design a ready meal business. Each team worked together to devise a menu, design packaging and market a new ready meal design.

The aim of the day was to give pupils the opportunity to get to know each other in a supportive way to aid transition into their new year groups as part of the new through school, planned for September 2018. Pupils saw the day as a success as they enjoyed the opportunity to work off timetable, sharing their ideas and getting to know each other.

Mrs Jandu

School Leader



FRIDAY 2 MARCH - WORLD BOOK DAY

The whole school joined in with Roysia's celebration of World Book Day. This year's staff theme was "Horrible Histories" and we had King Henry VIII and his Six Wives parading the school corridors. We were also joined by Cleopatra, Florence Nightingale and Julius Caesar.

Once again our pupils made a tremendous effort - thank you to all those parents who assisted their children with making some fabulous costumes. Celebrating books and the love of reading has once again been a lot of fun.

Winners for the best costumes will be announced in today's assembly and published in the next Review.

Mrs Jandu
School Leader





CHILDREN'S



"TREASURES OF ROYSTON"

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION.

Are you under 16 & living or attending school in Royston?

Find the locations of places in Royston from the clues in our quiz questions and then send us a digital photograph of those landmarks (up to 5 per person).

Closing date 1st August 2018

All entries will be judged by a panel and the 12 winning photographs will be placed in a new Annual Royston Calendar for 2019!

Prize for overall winning photograph, four free tickets to Royston Picture Palace.

The winning photograph will feature on the cover of the new calendar.

For full entry details please visit our web-site:

www.roystontowncouncil.gov.uk



Good Luck!



DSPL | Delivering Special
Provision Locally
Achieving quality outcomes

**Free workshop for
parents**

North Herts DSPL Area 1 are pleased to present

Raising Self Esteem and Developing a Confident Child *Self Esteem – The Greatest Gift*

by

Sharon Lawton – Award winning parent coach
Natural Flair Coaching Consultancy
Tuesday, 27 February 2018
9:30am to 11:30am

Letchworth Garden City Partnership Pod
Northfields Infant and Nursery School, Burley, Letchworth SG6 4PT

This 2 hour practical and interactive workshop has been developed using material from popular Parenting Programmes and latest research in other areas. This workshop aims to explore why self esteem is essential to emotional wellbeing and how a parent can help. Resources used promote good adult education practice with a clear purpose and range of learning methods etc. It also promotes positive parenting and the parent/child relationship.

Learning Outcomes & Workshop Objectives:

- Understanding what self esteem is and why it's important
- To recognise and learn how to build self esteem in ourselves and our children
- To develop ways to help children develop resilience and a sense of self worth
- The importance of emotional intelligence and how to help your child develop it.
- Strategies and practical tips on how to raise self esteem and resilience

To book please email Debbie Robins or email
parentdspl@wilshere.herts.sch.uk (07527 828477)

Places are limited – please book early to avoid disappointment!

Helping you achieve your full potential



Natural Flair Coaching Consultancy
Myddelton House
33 St Catharines Road
Broxbourne Herts EN10 7LD
T: 01992 446051/07946 618225
E: sharon.lawton@natural-flair.co.uk
www.natural-flair.co.uk

