

Royisia Review

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We are halfway through the academic year already and teachers are preparing their mid-year reports, so that you can see how your child is progressing. You should receive these in early March and will also have the opportunity to discuss your child's progress at our consultation evenings on 24 and 26 March. I look forward to seeing you there.

Members of year 8 represented Royisia extremely well on Wednesday 4 February at the Rotary Club Technology Tournament. Not only were their attitude and behaviour excellent, but one of our teams came first! Well done, we are very proud of you all.

Local industry Johnson Matthey led year 5 on a 'Young Enterprise' day on Wednesday 11 February when our youngest pupils thought about everything that went into the production of orange juice, from fruit to customer and everything in between! Our thanks go to Johnson Matthey and we look forward to further young enterprise days for our older pupils later in the year.

I hope that you and your families enjoy a restful half term break and we will see you all again on Monday 23 February.

Z J Linington - Headteacher

DINNER MONEY

For next half term, from Monday 23 February to Wednesday 1 April (we finish at 1.00pm on Thursday 2 April) the cost of school dinners will be £64.40 (less £11.50 if your child in year 5 is going on the visit to Aylmerton - £52.90). Wednesday roasts will be £13.80 (Aylmerton £11.50) and Friday fun lunches will be £11.50 (Aylmerton £9.20).

You will be notified if you have any credits from this term. Please make cheques payable to 'Royisia Middle School'.

TECHNOLOGY TOURNAMENT 2015

When we first arrived at the Cambridge motel we found our table and looked at the equipment and the rigs to try to figure out what the task was. It was to design and make a cable car!

We read the task and drew up our portfolio. We started with 2 designs - an origami box and another design with a stronger frame.

We had to cut out a small section of our model so we could hook it on directly and we had to reinforce it a lot more when it came to the final testing of our model. We were leading by 1 point to Greneway. Our test went perfectly!

We then got the final scores and we were first by 2.4 points! We got 4 trophies and £150.00 for the school. Also Mr Carter won the advanced level with the other teachers.

Hooray for Royisia!

Oscar Berry - 8M



ROYISIA BREAKFAST CLUB

A reminder that our NEW breakfast Club will start on Monday 23 February at 8.00am. The club will be open each morning until 8.45am under the supervision of Miss C Roser, who is an experienced Teaching Assistant in school. Please encourage your 'early bird' to attend this club, to enjoy a healthy breakfast before taking part in some fun activities to set them up for their school day.

FRIENDS DISCO

The Valentine's disco will be held tonight from 7.00-9.00pm.

SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS

Once again Roysia was represented at the North East Herts sports hall athletics competition by a team of talented and enthusiastic key stage 2 pupils. Events included obstacle relays, sprint relays, endurance relays and various jumping and throwing events. Our boys and girls teams finished 3rd and 6th respectively and were all a credit to the school. They participated with a bucket load of energy, enthusiasm and competitiveness throughout. Indeed, we were given a particular mention by Miss Wood, who co-ordinates the event, due to our brilliant behaviour, team spirit and sportsmanship.



Congratulations to all of our athletes.

Mr Hardiman
Leader of PE

FOOTBALL

Roysia beat St Mary's in 3-2 thriller!

Our year 5 and 6 football team showed a huge amount of courage and determination, turning a 0-2 half time deficit into a 3-2 win against local rivals St Mary's. A lacklustre start allowed St Mary's to take a deserved lead, which was added to 5 minutes before half time to give the visitors a comfortable 0-2 advantage. However, Roysia demonstrated great belief and resilience in a game that truly was a game of 2 halves. Taylor Newman's spectacular half volley from the half way line lobbed the opposing goalkeeper and galvanised the team, setting up an exciting final 20 minutes. Roysia pressed high and fast and were relentless in their attempts to win possession and attack. The hard work paid off in the final 10 minutes when 2 goals in quick succession, both from Casey Heenan, sealed a fantastic comeback from the home side and earned him the award for man of the match. Superb tackles from Ross Duff and Harvey Wright, along with 2 saves of the highest calibre from goalkeeper Coby Green ensured that we held on to the victory and the 3 points.

Mr Hardiman - Leader of PE

BARNARDO'S CONCERT

Last Monday over forty pupils from Year 5 took part in the Barnardo's Inaugural Concert at The Barbican Concert Hall, London. Our school was one of just fourteen selected from across the country to participate to form a massed choir of over 500 children.

After many weeks of preparation at School, the children joined in a whole day of rehearsing. We then gave a spectacular concert to a huge audience which included many Roysia family members and friends who had made the journey to support us!

The Concert was made even more special for three pupils, Iona Berry, Jack Paterson and Harry Martin who had also been chosen as soloists! The programme featured everything from a Frozen Medley to Queen and included many pop and musical hits. The evening culminated with pupils creating a spectacular version of the flag waving Last Night of the Proms classic, 'Land of Hope and Glory'.

Year 5 worked incredibly hard to prepare for the concert and they were fantastic! Well done Year 5!



Mrs Mitchell - Leader of Music

ROYSIA PUPILS WIN PRIZES IN NATIONAL LEGO ROBOTICS TOURNAMENT

Following on from their successful win at the Basildon tournament, 4 students of the 'Dalton BRobots' team from Roysia demonstrated their science and technology skills when they competed at the UK and Ireland final of the Institution of Engineering and Technology's (IET) FIRST LEGO League (FLL) tournament on Sunday 1 February at Loughborough University. Over 1,000 pupils aged between 9-16 years took part and the Dalton BRobots Team were thrilled to win 1st prize in the Robots section. The 4 students from Roysia are all brothers - Luis (9), Joan (11) and twins Quim & Albert (13) Borell. The name of their team was based on a movie with 4 'Dalton' brothers.

The Headteacher, Miss Lington added: "We at Roysia are immensely proud of their achievement and look forward to developing their STEM skills further."

