

Rosehill School

Newsletter 3 – March 2023

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27 March – 2 April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the Spring Newsletter. As this term draws to a close, I would like to wish you and your child an enjoyable Easter break, and to share with you some exciting updates.

It has been an inspiring term and staff have shown how creative they are by providing a wide range of new learning experiences for our pupils to further develop their potential. ESafety Day, World Book Day, Science Week and Careers Week were just some of the highlights but there were also many other individual and group achievements.

It's always an absolute pleasure when the pupils receive special recognition for their amazing work and achievements, therefore I am delighted to announce that Rosehill has been awarded the Gold ArtsMark by the Arts Council! ArtsMark is an award for creative arts within schools. This is a huge achievement and something we will be celebrating during the summer term. Rosehill has been working towards this for the past few years and we have participated in a range of creative projects.

The Arts have always been an incredibly important part of the school's culture, life and enjoyment at Rosehill. As part of our ethos, we believe that our pupils should have a variety of experiences with subjects such as Music, Art, Drama and Humanities to stimulate their creativity, broaden their experiences and celebrate the unique way in which the Arts contribute to a rounded and effective education.

The arts are central to our curriculum in enabling our children to express their individual values and to celebrate their achievements, so please do read on to find out more about this work, and the wonderful work of your children and the school.

Warmest regards
Cheryl Steele, Headteacher

Rosehill Awards – Spring 2023



Attendance Awards

Whole School Attendance
92.15%

Class Attendance Awards

- 1st Place – **Clownfish (2) 95.8%**
- 2nd Place – **Angelfish (1) 94.15%**
- 2nd Place – **Blue Whale (14) 94.15%**
- 3rd Place – **Stingray (13) 94.05%**

Achievement Awards

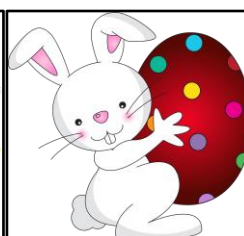
Class Ambassador

- Primary School – **Mehmetali**
- Middle School – **George**
- Upper School – **Harmilton**

Gold Award






- Spring Term 1 – **Class 2**
- Spring Term 2 – **Class 7**

Special Recognition Award
Kakra



Safeguarding
Everyone's Responsibility

The Designated Safeguarding Lead at Rosehill is Charlotte Turner
Please see one of our DSL's in person or call 0115 9155815

Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL's) & Safeguarding Governors			
<p>Safeguarding Officer Charlotte Turner Lead DSL, Parent Liaison & Attendance Champion c.turner@rosehill.nottingham.sch.uk Availability: Mon-Fri/ Also via email</p> 	<p>Headteacher Cheryl Steele Headteacher DSL c.steele@rosehill.nottingham.sch.uk Availability: Mon-Fri/ Also via email</p> 	<p>Acting Deputy Headteacher Tamara Riddell Deputy DSL t.riddell@rosehill.nottingham.sch.uk Availability: Mon-Fri/ Also via email</p> 	<p>Safeguarding Governor Rebecca Hyder Governor Contact r.hyder@rosehill.nottingham.sch.uk Availability: Via email</p> 
		<p>Acting Assistant Head Upper School Department Lead Joanne Ritchie Deputy DSL J.Ritchie@rosehill.nottingham.sch.uk Availability: Mon-Fri/ Also via email</p> 	

If you are concerned that a child/young person may be subject to ill-treatment, neglect or other forms of abuse OR if you are being abused:

- Tell someone you trust
- In an emergency dial **999**
- To report a crime, call **101**
- Nottingham City Council Social Care – for a child/young person who lives in Nottingham City: **0115 876 4800**
CityMASH@nottinghamcity.gov.uk
- Nottinghamshire County Council Social Care – for a child/young person who lives in Nottinghamshire County:
<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/care/safeguarding/childrens-mash>
- NSPCC Helpline: **0800 800 5000** and Child Line: **0800 1111**

Further Help and Support:

- **Childnet and Children with SEND**
There are relatively few resources to help children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. Childnet has created a set of free, adaptable resources that cover the important topics of healthy relationships, digital wellbeing and online pornography and are designed to equip and enable parents and carers, to support young people aged 11 and over with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). Parents and Carers Toolkit:
<https://www.childnet.com/resources/parent-and-carer-toolkit/>
- **Online gaming**
Online games are social activities, and most have features that allow young people to chat with others whilst they play. For information about the positives of gaming, the risks of 'in-game chat' and measures you can take to help protect your child, watch this short video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5-ij1jm9K8>

For further safeguarding information, please follow this link to our school website:

<https://www.therosehillschool.com/safeguarding/>

Special Recognition Awards

At Rosehill, we believe that it is very important to recognise and celebrate children's achievements as this develops their self-esteem. We use positive reinforcement and celebrate achievements in many ways to help build their confidence i.e., the Head Teacher's Gold Award. Please follow this link to learn more about our different awards and ways of celebrating achievements across the whole school <http://www.therosehillschool.com/pupil-achievements/>

Attendance Awards

Congratulations to Class **Clownfish (2)** who had the best attendance this year and to the **4** individual pupils across the school who have received excellent attendance awards and improved attendance awards - well done!

Headteacher Gold Awards

This term's Headteacher Gold Awards go to:

- ❖ **Jace** – Helping with class jobs
- ❖ **Access to nature group** – Taking part in a 5km walk and team building skills
- ❖ **Je Michi and Will** – Meeting visitors
- ❖ **India** – Excellent behaviour
- ❖ **James and AJ** – Scientific enquiry work
- ❖ **Maks** – Excellent work
- ❖ **Anthony** – Fantastic writing
- ❖ **Santino** – Good work



- ❖ **Panashe** – Engagement in yoga
- ❖ **Omarian** – Reading and writing
- ❖ **Che** – Fantastic work
- ❖ **Ryan** – Kindness to others
- ❖ **Marcel** – Hard work in class
- ❖ **Frankie** – Hard work

Class Ambassador of the Term Award

This term, all Class Ambassadors have worked extremely hard to promote our school values and have supported projects such as World Book Day, Science

Week and Autism Awareness Week. Well done Ambassadors, keep up the good work. Special recognition goes to:

- ❖ **Primary School** – Mehmatali for helping with class jobs
- ❖ **Middle School** – George for helping with department jobs
- ❖ **Upper School** – Austin for helping others

Special Recognition of the Term Award

This term, this prestigious award goes to **Kakra** for his dedication to learning, sportsmanship and for being an excellent role model.

Well done Kakra for your hard work and fantastic achievements this term!



Curriculum Impact



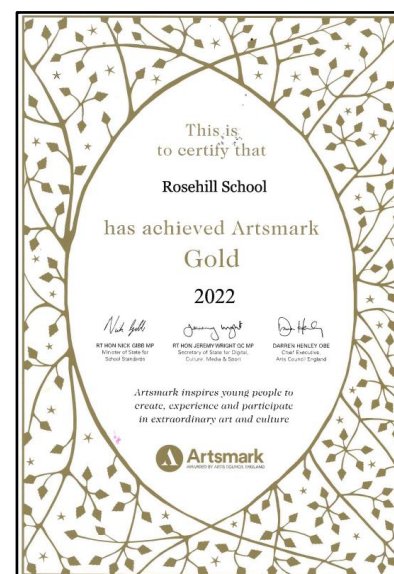
The Arts - Artsmark Award 2023

The Artsmark Award is a creative quality standard for schools, accredited by the Arts Council England. It supports schools to develop and celebrate arts and cultural education, putting creativity and wellbeing at the heart of the curriculum. Artsmark ensures every young person can be creative and access a diverse, high-quality cultural education.

In order to achieve our Artsmark Award, Rosehill had to develop the arts and culture provision to embed

a broad and ambitious curriculum. This was achieved by creating an overall plan that was committed to and delivered across the whole school by our dedicated Arts Lead Sarah Bailey.

The Arts Council stated, *'Rosehill School has enthusiastically developed arts provision for their pupils through this Artsmark journey. Senior leaders provide strategic arts leadership including a focus on arts CPD during school INSET, which is developing the confidence, skills and understanding of staff. You have a new 3-year creative curriculum that is representative of the diversity of your setting as well as wider society, with clear progression paths. You are involved in the Nottingham Creative Collaboratives action research which is working to improve the quality of teaching and learning and are developing the cultural community by linking to local creative practitioners and organisations including Dance Equation, The Handmade Theatre Company, and Nottingham Playhouse.'*



Well done to everyone involved, we are extremely proud of this award. Looking ahead next term, we will be working with the University of Nottingham to design a sensory garden for adults and children with sensory needs at the University. To find out more about ArtsMark go to www.artsmark.org.uk

World Book Day

This year the children explored a wide range of activities during World Book Day, where they engaged with "Hansel and Gretel" story following a sensory trail. Pupils were able to observe new and familiar book titles as part of a fairy tales trail and participate in a storytelling session based on the book "The Gingerbread Man". Lots of fun was had during the day, where pupils also part in dance sessions, based on "Alice in Wonderland" and engaged in Art sessions to prepare for the 'Make a Book Character' competition.



Science Week

The theme of this year's Science Week covered the topic of connections – Our week was scheduled earlier than the formal dates to link in with a local initiative, [“The Nottingham Festival of Science and Curiosity.”](https://nottsfosac.co.uk/) Through this link, we had a soil scientist visit us from the University of Nottingham. Ana led groups from all departments. In these sessions the pupils learnt about the variety of minibeasts that live in the soil, and why they are so important for our environment. The pupils were really engaged in these sessions and were happy to get stuck into the practical activities.

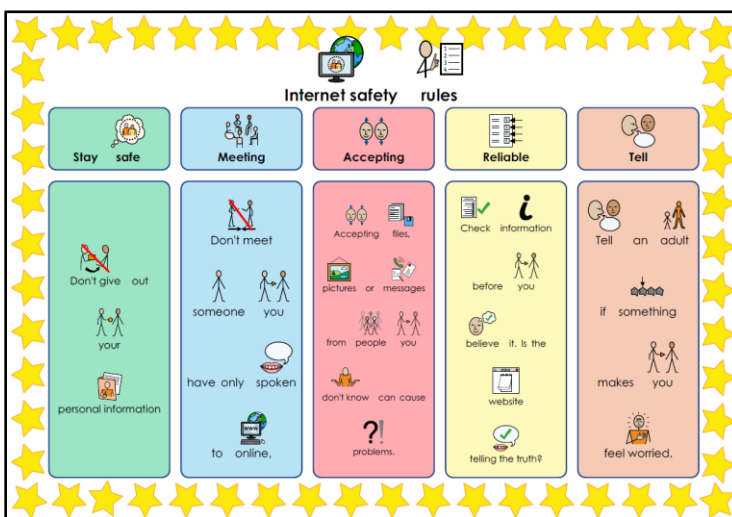


There were lots of cross-curricular links throughout the week through STEM – Science, English, Art and DT. There was also a focus on providing a range of sensory resources and ideas that could be adapted to learners accessing a range of learning pathways. For more information about **Nottingham's Festival of Science and Curiosity** please follow this link <https://nottsfosac.co.uk/>

ESafety Day

In February, the whole school took part in **National Internet Safety Day**. The theme for ESafety day this year was *‘Want to talk about it? - Making space for conversations about life online’*.

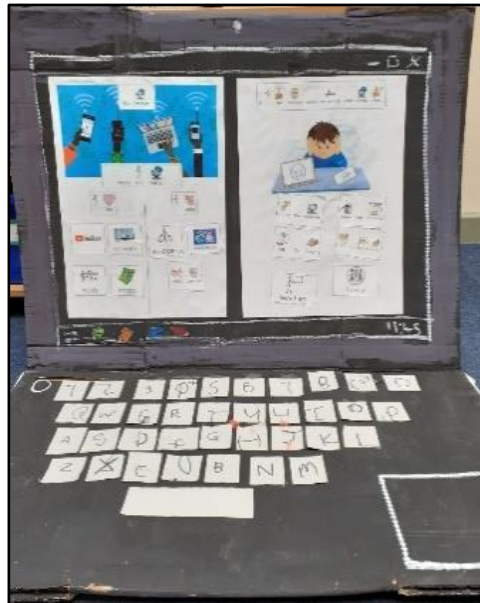
The focus for activities was based around conversations about life online and what pupils enjoy doing on the internet and how the internet can impact on their lives in both a positive and negative way.



There were lots of opportunities during the day to talk about internet safety rules, including how to keep personal information private, knowing who to talk to if you encounter a problem and checking the accuracy of information found on the internet.

Pupils across all key stages made ESafety posters which have been displayed around the school as part of our Safeguarding and Keeping Children Safe in Education work.

Well done everyone!



PSHE - Road Safety

As part of our PSHE and Citizenship work this term, pupils in key stage 3 took part in valuable lessons in road safety and in particular, how to safely cross the road in a safe and calm environment.



In order to develop their understanding and attitude towards road safety, including safe crossing procedures and gaining exposure to the various sounds, lights and meanings around traffic light systems, we ran a training workshop.

The workshop was organised in partnership with SRL Traffic Systems, which has a Technical & Innovation Centre in Nottingham and is the UK's largest manufacturer of portable and temporary intelligent traffic light equipment, CCTV and digital messaging signs.

The traffic systems manufacturer set up a

demonstration area on our school site, to allow pupils to practice how to

stay safe around vehicles and roads in a real-life situation without any moving cars, before going out onto the actual road. This allowed the pupils to increase their exposure to situations which can be quite challenging without the danger element.



The pupils now look forward to further developing their knowledge by practising new skills in the community, using 'crossing the road' skills more independently to think about the dangers and to start travel training for students who are ready for the next step.

We would like to thank SRL Traffic Systems for their support with this project, which has been a key step in helping our pupils prepare for independent travel in the future.

Update from Katie Stevenson and Hannah Scarfe in the Primary School



The Primary department has been a hive of activity over the spring term. Children in class 4 have started their swimming lessons and the class team are extremely proud of how they have embraced this challenge.

There has been lots of hard work learning about lifecycles in science – in classes 1 and 2 the children have been learning through sensory experiences which included jelly frogspawn. In classes 3 and 4 the children have been observing their caterpillars, waiting eagerly for them to make their transformation into butterflies.

Science Week and World Book Day featured this term too. Highlights included an extremely messy worm sensory afternoon in the heart space, where all 4 classes joined together and it was lovely to see the children interacting with their friends in other classes.

World Book Day was fabulous as usual – the children were able to immerse themselves into Hansel and Gretel, and loved the story and dance sessions that they had an opportunity to participate in.

Thank you to all parents and carers for all your continued hard work and support! It has been lovely so see those of you that have attended school for parent meetings and annual reviews.



Update from Katie Tomlinson and Tamara Riddell in the Middle School

Spring term has seen a cocktail of weathers from cold snowy days to warm sunny days but our pupils have continued to work hard and be their true selves. In Middle School we have been learning about how we change and grow throughout our lives; including how we need to look after our changing bodies: from brushing our teeth to changing our clothes daily. We have also been developing our place value and capacity skills in Maths. Our pupils really enjoy maths lessons as they are engaging, practical and very factual (you're either right or wrong).

This term in Food Technology pupils have been exploring the benefits and advantages of seasonal foods by have been preparing and cooking a variety of healthy dishes using a range of cooking techniques, for example, a Greek Dish which is called a Spanakopita. We have continued to spend time together as a department during dinner times and special events, including Valentine's Art in the Heart and in our Tuesday afternoon Assemblies. In our assemblies we enjoy learning about other cultures and religions, celebrating department achievements including stars of the week and take time to reflect.

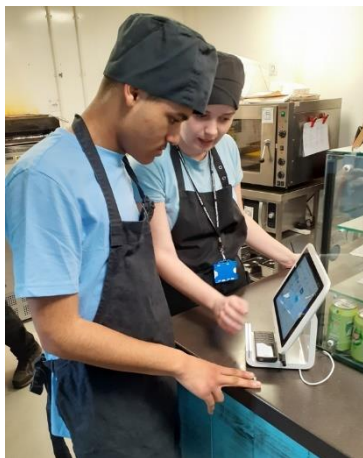
Unfortunately, swimming has finished for Middle School pupils now but myself and the class teams are extremely proud of all the pupils have achieved in their physical swimming skills and their self-help skills.

Thank you to all our parent/carers for their ongoing support this term.



Update from Joanne Ritchie in the Upper School

Upper School have been busy with Work Related Learning, careers and meeting students from Carlton Digby, another local special school. All the staff in Upper School are so proud of their achievements – especially as they all develop independence skills and start the first steps into the world of work!



During Careers week, students learnt about cleaning, gardening and working in our own café. We also had a talk from a nurse who explained her role and other opportunities for careers in health. Afterwards, she taught us how to take our blood pressure, weigh ourselves and measure our height. All the things that might happen when we visit the doctor.



Two students started formal work experience at the Watch2Cafe in the Police Station on Maid Marion Way. They have learnt about hygiene, greeting and serving customers and making hot drinks and snacks. They are even learning how to be baristas – making coffee from a large machine!

On 29th March, 10 students from Carlton Digby joined our young people in our café. We served our new friends, drinks, toasted sandwiches and cakes in the café. We then took the opportunity to socialise and practise our communication skills with different people.

As always, thank you to parents and carers for all your ongoing support, it is always so lovely to meet you at review meetings and parent events,



Social Action Projects, Fundraising & Donations



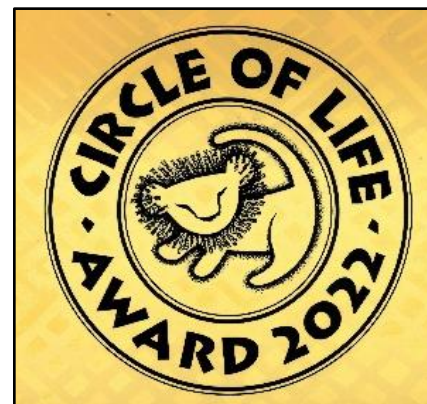
Comic Relief – Red Nose Day

This year we raised a whopping £53.60 for Comic Relief, and spread the message of this important campaign by taking part in activities such as quizzes, making cards and posters, and some pupils made their very own red nose cakes. Thank you to everyone who donated! To find out more about what your money does, follow this link <https://www.comicrelief.com/what-your-money-does>

Circle of Life Award – Raising Awareness of Black History

Back in October 2022, you will remember that I updated you on our fantastic Black History Month project where we celebrated Black History Month for a third year running through the creative arts. Our project was aimed at teaching pupils about important historical role models, who have had a positive impact and influence on society. As a school, we are passionate about learning about Black history and heritage and continue to raise awareness all year round.

As the theme this year was ‘**Time for Change: Action Not Words**, we’ve been working with Nottingham City Local Authority to show our support and raise awareness for Black History Month by creating an exhibition of our project work.



The Exhibition will commence in the summer term 2023, and I will update all members of the school community once we have further details.

In the meantime, I am pleased to announce that Rosehill have been awarded the **Circle of Life Award** by Young Citizens, on behalf of Disney for our Black History curriculum, which continues to help us shine a light on the importance of celebrating Black History and the achievements of many inspirational people. For more information about our amazing achievements, please follow this link https://www.youngcitizens.org/app/uploads/2023/03/COLA_Rose-Hill_March20.pdf

Black History Month Project 2022



Other Information & News

Makaton Signing

Every week our signing lead Sarah records new signs for the following week. These signs link in with the school topics that term and recently have been about Easter. Signs are uploaded to the school website on a weekly basis:

<https://www.therosehillschool.com/communication-including-signs-of-the-week/>



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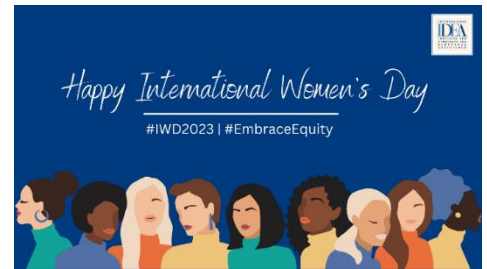
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Assemblies

Each pupil at Rosehill is entitled to access the PSHE, Citizenship and RE curriculum. Our themed assemblies ensure that this curriculum provision meets the needs of our pupils and school community. Recent assemblies include International Women's Day, World Maths Day and Easter.

You can find out more about our assemblies by following this link

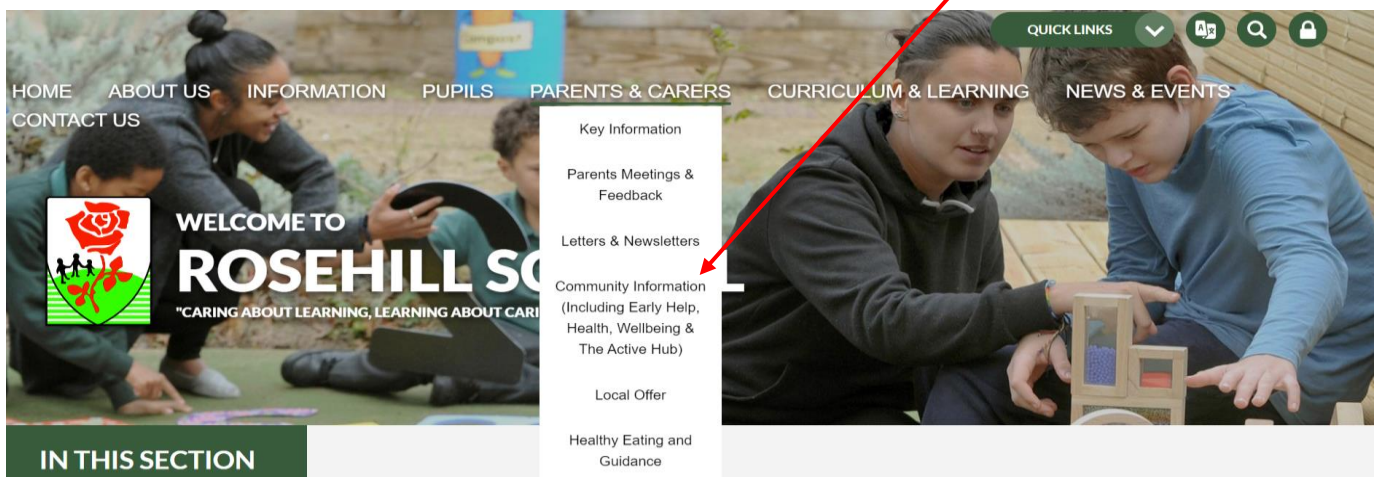
<http://www.therosehillschool.com/assemblies-1/>



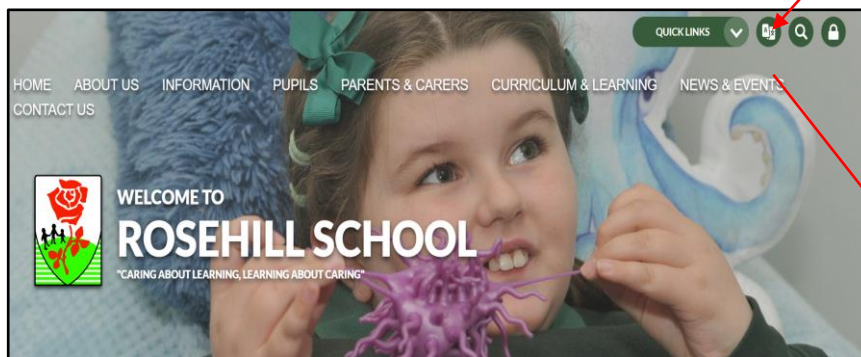
Parent/Carer Communications & School Website

When you are next in school, please check out our '**Parents Noticeboard**'. This board is regularly updated with useful information, including dates of events. In addition, please remember that our **Community Information** section on the school website is regularly updated so that parents and carers have access to important information throughout the year.

www.therosehillschool.com



We also have a **translation option** on the website, where you can select from over **100 different languages**.



Parent & Carer Workshops

Thank you to all parents, carers and friends who continue to attend the Parent workshops. All of these sessions are informal, and a time to meet other parents for a chat and a coffee, so we would love to see you all there! Please follow this link for more information <https://www.therosehillschool.com/parents-meetings-feedback/>

Summer 2022	Date: 25.04.2023 Time: 10:30am – 11:30am Topic: Parent & Carers' Workshop – Makaton Signing Workshop
	Date: 23.05.2023 Time: 10:30am – 3:00pm Topic: Here to Help and Enterprise Fayre - Various providers available to support families
	Date: 20.07.2023 Time: 10:30am – 12:00pm Topic: Parents & Carers' Coffee Morning - Transition to new classes/ Plans for the next academic year

Food Banks

For anyone who is currently experiencing difficulties accessing food there are local food banks available. Please follow the link below for a list of local food banks. This link will take you to the **Left Lion website**, which also contains local news and information about what's on in Nottingham.

LEFTLION								
LATEST	WHAT'S ON	READ	WATCH	LISTEN	EAT	PHOTOS	MAGAZINE	ADVERTISE
NG1 (Sneinton Market) - WalkersNotts Not a traditional food bank: a not-for-profit organisation that helps the homeless in Nottingham. Every Tuesday at 7pm they provide hot food, clothes, toiletries and more for those who attend.								
Food Bank Opening Times	Tuesdays, 7pm							
Donation Opening Times	Donation page							
Contact	Facebook group							
Address	Sneinton Market Square, Gedling Street, Nottingham, NG1 1DS							
NG2 (Sneinton) - The Salvation Army Sneinton								
Food Bank Opening Times	Thursdays, 10am -12pm							
Donation Opening Times	Ring to arrange delivery							
Contact	0115 9503927							
Address	William Booth Memorial Complex, 14 Notintone Place, Sneinton Road, Nottingham, NG2 4QG							

<https://www.leftlion.co.uk/read/2018/november/food-banks-nottingham>

If you require support, you can call Nottingham City Council on 0115 915 5555.

Council Kitchens & FareShare Midlands

We are pleased to be working in partnership with [FareShare Midlands](#) who are sharing the Council's Loxley House kitchen with our catering service to prepare meals for those in need from food that would otherwise be wasted. It is good to see the meals produced making a difference to local people who use food banks, community cafes and other charitable groups. You can see an [excellent report on this project](#) at BBC East Midlands. So far:

- 1,200 meals per week are being cooked and frozen for future delivery
- 19 Nottingham charitable groups have registered to receive meals
- 600+ meals are being delivered each week.



School Meals

A reminder about school dinner prices (£2.30 per dinner, £11.50 per week up to Year 6 - £2.40 per week Year 7 and above). There will continue to be an emphasis on healthy eating. Please contact the school office on 0115 9155815 if you require further information regarding an application for free school meals.

Governor News

We are pleased to welcome Linzi King as our new parent Governor to the school. Linzi has been part of the Rosehill family for many years, and often helps out with the café during parent events. We are excited to have her on the Governing Body.

Finally, ...

Please do take time to read this feedback in our Positive Comments section on the school website by following this link <http://www.therosehillschool.com/what-others-say-about-us/>

Warmest regards
Cheryl Steele, Headteacher

Key Calendar Dates 2023

Pupils break up for Easter on Friday 31st March 2023 and return to school after the Easter break on Tuesday 18th April 2023

Summer Term 2023:

Monday 17th April – Friday 28th July 2023

Monday 17 th April	All day	INSET Day 4 – School closed to pupils
Tuesday 18 th April	All day	School re-opens to pupils
Tuesday 25 th April	10:30-11:30	Makaton Parents & Carers Workshop
Wednesday 26 th April	Time TBC	Prospective Parent Opening Evening
Monday 1 st May	All day	Bank Holiday – School closed
Monday 8 th May	All day	Bank Holiday – School closed
Mon 15 th – Fri 19 th May	All week	Mental Health Awareness Week
Thursday 18 th May	All day	Numeracy Day
Tuesday 23 rd May	All day	Here to Help Fayre
Thursday 25 th May	All day	Cinema Day



Half-term: Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June 2023

Monday 5 th June	All day	School re-opens to pupils
Mon 5 th – Fri 9 th June	All week	World Environment week
Wednesday 21 st June	All day	World Music Day/Rosehill's Got Talent
Thursday 29 th June	All day	RSE Day
Mon 3 rd – Fri 14 th July	All week	Science Living Eggs project
Mon 10 th – Fri 14 th July	All week	Sports Week
Wed 12 th July	All day	Upper & Middle School Sports Day
Date TBC	Time TBC	Primary Sports Day
Thursday 13 th July	Time TBC	New Parents Meeting
Tuesday 18 th July	Time TBC	Leavers Assembly
Thursday 20 th July	All day	Transition Day
Thursday 27 th July	All day	Last day in school for pupils
Friday 28 th July	All day	INSET Day 5 – School closed to pupils