



THE Roselander

PARENT UPDATE & NEWSLETTER - ISSUE 04



Update from Mr Richard Clarke HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this edition of The Roselander finds you well.

I want to start by thanking everyone who engaged in our recent parental feedback survey, where we asked the Ofsted question, would you recommend The Roseland Academy to another parent? The final response rate was over 90% agree or strongly agree which I take as a positive endorsement of our vision and provision for our students. The survey also suggested a number of next steps for us which have been useful for our ongoing school improvement. We will be asking a different question each half term and we really value your feedback as there is always more we can do.

Since our last edition we have also had the examination results league tables published. I am pleased to report that we are again listed in the top of the county list with the overall rating for the results obtained by the year group as 'above average'. Within the dataset there are some outstanding performances with subjects such as English and Languages being some of the highest in the South West.

We continue our push with attendance and this will be a theme throughout the year as attending school regularly is the biggest single influence on academic success. I am very pleased to report that the latest government figures for attendance also place Roseland students in the top of the league tables for Cornish schools, which is a fantastic achievement and combined effort from both home and school.

The students will report that this term we have been focussing on learning routines across the school. Research proves that the certainty and stability of routines in school is a major factor in supporting all students to focus and achieve their best in their lessons. We have developed standard Roseland approaches to starting and ending lessons, as well as routines such as questioning, feedback and a real favorite, 'silence is golden', where students practice working with sustained effort and deep focus on a piece of work.

The winter months are now upon us and this means we have to close access to all our grass areas due to muddy conditions. I am pleased that we are now able to keep the astro-turf open throughout the winter for football and this is rotated across the year groups through the week. We have moved to winter uniform which means students should have a jumper with them each day and we recommend bringing a coat. Football remains very popular at break times so we recommend a pair of trainers to change into at break to stop school shoes getting wet or damaged.

In this edition, I am pleased to share with you a taste of the many exciting extracurricular events that are taking place this term. I am particularly pleased to see the return of the popular ski trip to Italy which will run in December.


With best wishes,
Richard Clarke

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

In mid-November The Roseland Academy participated in Anti-Bullying Week. The week was kicked off with Odd Socks Day on Monday 13 November, where adults and children wore odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.

Mr Ashwin led assemblies reminding everyone of our high expectations of kindness and respectful behaviour towards each other, both in school and when we are out in our communities.

At The Roseland Academy everyone has the right to attend school and feel safe. All concerns about bullying will be taken seriously and investigated thoroughly. There are a number of ways students can report any concerns. The easiest way is via our online 'incident form' that students can access through their Tutor Google Classrooms. They can also report concerns directly to any member of staff who will be able to support and advise on next steps.

At the Roseland Academy, we have:
ZERO TOLERANCE of:
RACISM, SEXISM, MISOGYNY, HOMOPHOBIA,
TRANSPHOBIA, XENOPHOBIA,
any forms of DISCRIMINATION
in our **WORDS, ACTIONS or ATTITUDES.**
 #don't accept it, report it.

[View our Respect & Kindness Policy Here](#)

PEARL OF AFRICA CHILDREN'S CHOIR VISIT

This November, The Roseland Academy invited the Pearl of Africa Children's Choir in for a day of dancing, singing, drumming and fun, all in aid of their very worthy charity. Their aim is to break the cycle of poverty for Ugandan children by investing in education, health, water and sustainable food programmes and the visits to UK schools are an important part of their fundraising.

During the day the choir treated staff and students to whole school assemblies, as well as dance, drumming and singing workshops for Year 7. You can see from the photographs how much our students appreciated and enjoyed these!

In the evening, we opened the doors to The Roseland Academy where the whole community was welcome to come and experience this wonderful performance for themselves. Seats were sold for voluntary donations and there was an African craft sales store and a raffle too with every penny raised donated to the overseas charity. On Friday, The Roseland held a non-uniform day in order to raise even more funds for this important cause.



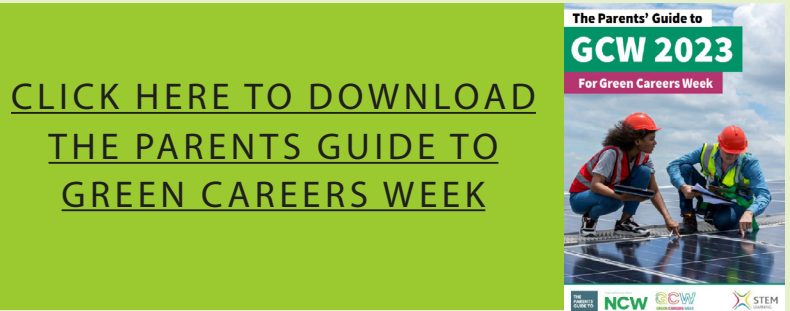
[Click here to donate to the Pearl of Africa Child Care Charity](#)

GREEN CAREERS WEEK

Following an initiative launched last year, in November we have again participated in Green Careers Week. The aim is to shed a spotlight on the varied careers that support, preserve and restore the environment.

Assemblies throughout the week focused on the availability of Green Careers within different sectors with different green goals. Within tutor time, students carried out a sustainability quiz which challenged their knowledge of environmental issues and the term Net Zero. Students also learnt more about green apprenticeships and how to access them. Year 10 also had a careers focused drop down day, where students had time to gain an understanding of degree and higher level apprenticeships, debunk myths about university and explore their level 3 (post-16) options. Feedback from the students has been incredibly positive.

Thank you to Miss Filkins for coordinating these assemblies.



SPORTS FIXTURES UPDATE

On Wednesday 1 November selected students from The Roseland students demonstrated extraordinary teamwork at netball and rugby fixtures against Poltair School.

Throughout the match, the Year 10 Netball Team exhibited unwavering intensity, overcoming challenging conditions such as wind and fading light they managed to secure an impressive 39-4 victory. The Year 8 Netball Team, although demonstrated skill and determination, were defeated 18-3.

In addition to the netball fixtures, rugby matches were also held, yielding the following results:

Year 7 Rugby: Won 35-10

Year 9 Rugby: Won 35-28

Despite the wet and windy conditions, all teams showcased great heart and and determination. Well done to all the teams for their outstanding performances and to the PE department for coordinating these fixtures.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

When we returned from our half term break, Mr Williams led a series of moving assemblies explaining the significance of Remembrance Day and why we show our respect at this time of year.

On Friday 10 November, we unveiled our latest Remembrance Display across the school. This has been a collaborative effort, led by Ms Hobbs-McLernon and Ms Palmer from the Design, Performance and Technology Department.

A team of Year 7 students (Lowenna, Kasey and Lacey) and Key Stage 4 art students have been busy creating many beautiful poppies which are now placed around the tree in our memorial garden. Poppies displaying messages of gratitude flow across the Dining Hall windows, expressing thanks to the brave individuals who served. Some students took a personal touch by writing messages to their own family members who served.

In keeping with tradition, we crafted our annual sustainable wreath which Mr Clarke proudly placed during the Sunday service in Tregony, adorned with messages of appreciation from The Roseland students, whilst former Roseland student, Charlie, played the Last Post.

A massive thank you to all who have been involved in this heartfelt project.



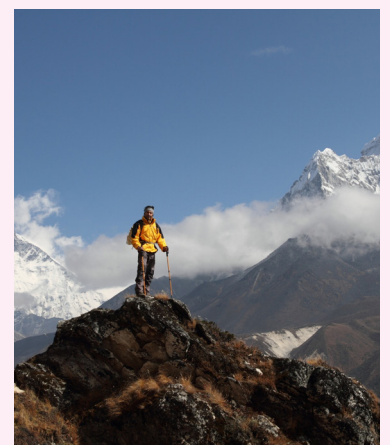
YEAR 9 WRITING ENRICHMENT DAY

Mr Matt Dickinson, an accomplished Everest summiteer and author, visited The Roseland Academy on Wednesday 1 November. Our Year 9 students were treated to a captivating visual journey through Everest, Antarctica, Africa, Central Asia and the Arctic, as Mr Dickinson brought his intrepid adventures to life with stunning images.

The session not only showcased breathtaking landscapes but also delved into the profound impact these experiences have had on Mr. Dickinson's passion for writing. Students were enthralled by thrilling excerpts from his works, including The Everest Files trilogy, the Mortal Chaos series, and Lie, Kill, Walk Away. Mr Dickinson also spoke about remarkable female explorers in his documentaries. Following the presentation, students had the opportunity to engage in a Q&A session, allowing them to glean insights directly from the adventurer-author.

Mr Dickinson's workshop went beyond awe-inspiring adventures, delving into the ethical, cultural and environmental dilemmas surrounding Everest. Using newspaper headlines as a starting point, students engaged in thought-provoking debates on issues such as whether Everest should be closed to climbers, the appropriateness of an eleven-year-old attempting the ascent, the role of local Sherpas risking their lives to assist Westerners, and the environmental impact of discarded rubbish.

Well done to Hayley and Torey who showed their support for the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal in the local supermarket!



YEAR 10 FAMILY LEARNING

Thank you to everyone who attended the Year 10 Family Learning session which took place on Wednesday 15 November.

The evening started with an excellent session from ASK who explained the various routes into apprenticeships which are available from college level at post 16 right up to Higher level degree courses. More information can be found [here](#).

If you are a Year 10 Parent/Carer and were not able to attend, please contact Mr Avery on ravery@theroseland.co.uk to be forwarded the Course Content and Understanding the Exams Booklet.



CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Final call for the Christmas Card Competition as the deadline for entries is the **end of the day on Monday 20 November**.

We invite all students to showcase their artistic talents by submitting their very own, one-of-a-kind Christmas card designs. The card designs should be A5 in size and feature designs that are scannable (no pop-ups or collage types, please).

Our competition winners will receive their very own printed copies of their cards, perfect for sending warm wishes to family and friends... plus additional little treats such as front of queue passes and B+ points!

This is your chance to shine and let your individuality shine through. Please, no copycats – we want your designs to be uniquely Team Roseland.

Check out some of our previous winners below!



BRONZE DUKE OF EDINBURGH OPPORTUNITY

We are thrilled to extend a special invitation to all of Year 9, offering them the incredible opportunity to join the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award programme at The Roseland Academy. Over the past few years, we have witnessed an inspiring level of enthusiasm, with more than 75% of Year 9 students opting to embark on this thrilling adventure.

For further information, please see Mr Avery.



HOMWORK EXPECTATIONS

[Click here to view The Roseland's Homework Expectations for all subjects](#)

Below is a suggested guide for how you can ensure that your core homework is spread out over the week and completed on time. You could then use this outline to add where you would complete homework for your option subjects (but this might vary week-to-week).

Key Stage 3							
Type	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Tassomai	English Tassomai	Science Tassomai	English Tassomai	English and Science Tassomai	Science Tassomai		
Sparx		Final 50% of Sparx			First 50% of Sparx		
Due	Maths Sparx 50% due			Maths Sparx 100% due			English and Science Tassomai to be completed by this evening

Key Stage 4							
Type	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Tassomai	English and Science Tassomai	Science Tassomai	English Tassomai	English and Science Tassomai	Science Tassomai	English Tassomai	
Sparx		Final 50% of Sparx			First 50% of Sparx		
Due	Maths Sparx 50% due			Maths Sparx 100% due			English and Science Tassomai to be completed by this evening

ROSELAND WHOLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS DINNER

Our Whole School Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day was previously advertised for 19 December, however this will now take place on Friday 15 December.

If your child is wanting a Christmas Dinner, please ensure that this is paid for via School Gateway (either turkey or vegetarian option) no later than Friday 8 December 2023.

FESTIVE FEAST

MAINS

Roast Turkey
or
Roasted Vegetable & Cranberry Slice

SIDES

Roast Potatoes
Pigs in Blankets
Stuffing & Gravy
Carrots & Broccoli

DESSERT

Christmas Ice Cream
Apple Crumble & Custard

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

November:

21: Year 8 Parents' Evening
28: GCSE Certificate Evening

December:

7: Year 10 Parents' Evening
9-16: Snow Sports Development Trip
15: Christmas Jumper Day
15: Whole School Christmas Lunch
19: Last day of Autumn Term

January:

4: School re-opens for Spring Term
8-19: Year 11 Trial Exams

February:

5: Year 11 Results Assembly
6: Year 11 Feedback Evening (invite only)
12-16 February: Half Term

March:

7: World Book Day
Year 11 Photographs
Year 8 Family Learning (6.00-8.00pm)
27: End of Spring Term (3.05pm finish)
28 March - 12 April: Easter Holidays



FREE SCHOOL MEALS INFORMATION

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THINK YOU MAY BE
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