



Roselands & Stafford
Federation

FEDERATION NEWS

Friday 9th September 2016



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Federation Headteacher: Ms Mandy Stewart

Head of School/Deputy Head: Mr Mike Walton and Mrs Carol Wallis

Message from the Headteacher



What a busy start to another exciting year at the Roselands and Stafford federation. It has been fabulous to see the children return from the summer holiday so smartly dressed and keen to experience new challenges. Thank you for supporting their enthusiasm for school and their learning.

One of our big pieces of work this year is developing our staff and pupils' Growth Mindsets. This will build pupils' belief that they really can achieve anything they want if they work hard enough for it. We will share more about this at our "Meet the Teacher" meetings over the next two weeks.

I am also pleased to share the exciting news that over the summer Miss Baser got married. Congratulations Mr and Mrs Johnstone!

Staffing Developments

We have a few staffing updates for you.

Here at Stafford we have made some changes to our Leadership structure.

Mr Walton is now Head of School at Stafford and Mrs Bateman, our SENCo is working full time until December to support Mr Walton. We have appointed Miss Taylor to be our new Head of Year 6 and she will take up this role in January when she will also take over the teaching of 6 Oak from Mr Hipperson who is teaching the class currently.

At Roselands we have received resignations from Ms Walter and Ms Deacon, our teaching assistants. We would like to thank them both for their hard work on behalf of Roselands pupils.

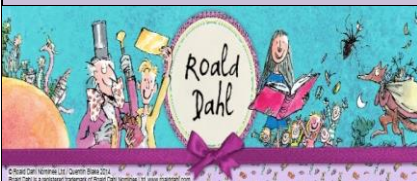
Mr Downie, our caretaker, who has been recovering from an ankle operation will be returning to work part time next week.

Building and Premises Developments

Stafford parents will have noticed that the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) was completed over the summer significantly increasing our external hard surface play space. I know the children were very excited to see it completed. We have also refurbished our library which you will be able to see on your tours during the Meet The Teacher meetings.

At Roselands we have had the office and entrance area remodelled to increase security and safety for your children. We are still awaiting fencing to be installed where the temporary barriers are currently and a new gate on the Year 2 entrance to the playground. It has made it much easier for office staff to know exactly who is on the school site at all times and for them to ensure visitors come straight to the office to sign in.

Roald Dahl 100 Celebration



On 13th September, Roselands and Stafford children will be marking the 100th anniversary of Roald Dahl's birth with a very special 'Roald Dahl 100' celebration. There will be a whole day of exciting Roald Dahl themed lessons and activities. Children are invited to dress up as their favourite Roald Dahl character for the occasion. There is no expectation of parents

and carers to buy costumes

Here are a few ideas:

- Use paper plates stuck to a hairband to make BFG ears. Team with a waistcoat.
- Wear red hair ribbons and a paper newt to look like Matilda.
- Cover a hat in bright tissue paper and wear it with a bow tie to be Willy Wonka.
- Simply wear yellow, Roald Dahl's favourite colour.

PE Kit



Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school at all times during the school week. This includes black shorts, school team T-shirt, trainers (not plimsolls) and a warm jumper / joggers for the colder months.

PE plays a very important part of the children's growth and development and has a direct impact on their progress in the classroom. All children are expected to participate in their curriculum lessons and we will do our utmost to ensure that they do not miss out on opportunities.

At Stafford in the past, we have had trouble with some children not having a kit in school and they have been sitting out of their lessons. We have decided that children will now be lent a kit if they do not have the correct clothes in school. Unfortunately, we do not have a wide range of sizes or any shoes and so the children will have to wear what we have available at the time. If they do not have correct footwear, they will wear their school shoes for PE - this may result in their school shoes getting damaged.

If you have a reason why you do not agree to your child being lent a kit, please contact the school as soon as possible. If your child cannot participate in a PE lesson, please send a note to your child's teacher.

Many thanks, Mrs Lloyd

Medicines

Please could we ask that parents, particularly of pupils new to our schools, to visit the office to inform us about any allergies, medicines etc. Please also remember to inform us if there is any change in this information.



Have a lovely weekend – see you all on Monday.

ROSELANDS SUCCESS

Birthday Assembly



Here is the rota for your class Birthday assembly for Term 1 2016. These will start at 9:00 am in your child's class. Please sign in at the office and the class TA will walk you to the classroom. If your child had a Birthday in the holiday, you are welcome to join us on the first Birthday assembly for your class.

14 th Sept	Whales	Parrots	Tigers
21 st Sept	Sea lions	Penguins	Panthers
28 th Sept	Dolphins	Flamingos	Leopards
5 th Oct	Whales	Parrots	Tigers
12 th Oct	Sea lions	Penguins	Panthers
19 th Oct	Dolphins	Flamingos	Leopards

DIARY DATES

Diary Dates – Blue dates are Roselands / Red dates are Stafford

Monday 12th September – Reception to start at 8.35 – 11.30 am

Tuesday 13th September – Reception to start at 8.35 – 12.30pm – lunch will be eaten at school

Tuesday 13th September - Roald Dahl 100 Party, children to dress up

Wednesday 14th September – Reception to start at 8.35 – 1.30 pm – Lunch will be eaten at school

Thursday 15th September – Reception to start at 8.35 – 1.30 pm – Lunch will be eaten at school

Friday 16th September – Reception will attend full day.

Wednesday 19th October – School Photos – Both Schools

Meet the Teacher and Year Group Meetings:

Monday 12th September 2016 - 9:15am & 5:30pm - Year 3

Tuesday 13th September 2016 - 9:15am & 5:30pm - Year 2

Wednesday 14th September 2016 - 9:15am & 5:30pm - Year 1

Thursday 15th September 2016 - 9:15am & 5:30pm - Year 6

Monday 19th September 2016 - 9:15am & 5:30pm - Year 5

Wednesday 21st September - 9:15am & 5:30pm - Year 4

Thursday 22nd September 2016 - 9:15am & 5:30pm - Year R (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE)