



FRIDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER 2026

NEWSLETTER



OPAL wish list

We really need more loose parts please for the children to create with!

Old suitcases, outdoor chairs, wheeled toys, crates, tyres, dressing up clothes, toys, cardboard boxes, drapes and tarpaulins, pieces of artificial grass, small world toys, wooden or plastic kitchen cutlery, sand toys.... in fact pretty much anything goes!

Please let Mrs Rowe or the office know if you have anything that you can donate to help our drive to make OPAL Playtimes amazing! At the end of September we have our OPAL re-accreditation afternoon, so please do send loose parts in as soon as you can!

MCAS Accounts

Please can we remind you to keep on top of payments on MCAS and try to avoid running up debts.

Also, for the Wraparound Care Clubs, if you cannot book onto the club on a day, it means the club is full, please do not assume your child can attend, this is for Safeguarding reasons.

Thank you!

School uniform

We have loads of donations near the school office, so please just pop in and take what you need!

A small donation to school funds would be appreciated for any spare donated uniform.

Office Emails

The school office get hundreds of emails a day, as you can imagine. If your email is urgent then please ring as we have a 48 hour window to respond to emails.

Mobile phones

Please may we remind you that children's mobile phones must not be brought in to school and nor should they be kept in school lockers or bags. This is a breach of the school procedure and could result in a serious consequence for your child if a phone is stored in personal bags or lockers.

If your child needs to bring a mobile phone in to school, these must be handed in immediately at the front office as soon as your child enters the school playground. Please remind them to report to the school office by the main foyer so that phones are not brought in to the main building.

Phones must also be switched off on arrival at school and must not be switched on until children are off the school premises.

We have reminded children in assembly of these expectations so please help us to remain phone free at Mosley.

For parents, visiting school for events where children are present, we would like to take this opportunity to remind you that phones must also not be used when in school eg parent lunches, OPAI stay and plays etc.

When permission is granted to take photos eg at Harvest festivals, nativity performances etc, please try to take photos of your child only and please do not post on social media.

Thank you for helping us!

School Disco Date Change

We need to amend the date that was on the newsletter for the Autumn school disco. Apologies.

The new date will be Wednesday 4th November. 3.30 until 4.30pm for infants, and 4.40 until 5.50pm for KS2.

Tickets will go on sale via MCAS.

We really need some parent helpers to help us out on the night please!

Please let our parent team of events organisers, Hannah and Amy, know if you are able to help out on the night, by manning a drinks stall, sweet stall, helping with dancing - or selling glow items and tattoos! Alternatively, please email the office if you can lend a hand.

Thank you in advance! Without parent helpers, we will be unable to run these events for the children so we really hope that a few of you can spare an hour or so and join in the fun!

We are also still on the look out for parents to come in and listen to children read - so please drop us a line if you are able to help out!

Thank you so much!

Waterproof trousers and wellies

If you would like to send in water proof trousers/ outdoor over clothes for your child to play outside in OPAL on the field, please send in water proof trousers that your child can easily change in to at lunch time. They will need to be in a named carrier bag, with the items also named please!



Parking responsibly

Please can we remind you to think where you park around the village. This includes outside The Bell, roads around the village and at the village hall. Cars are already parking and blocking pathways and pavements and residents housing. Children are struggling to pass cars that are parked blocking sections of pavements, causing children and parents to have to walk on the road. The children's safety and wellbeing is always a priority, so please help us to keep everyone safe.
Thank you.

AUDITIONS FOR PERFORMANCE OF
Swan Lake
DERBY THEATRE

BIRMINGHAM AUDITIONS
SUNDAY, THE 20TH OF SEPTEMBER
AT BIRMINGHAM HIPPODROME
THORPE STREET

JUNIORS REGISTRATION **10:15 AM**
SENIORS REGISTRATION **11:10 AM**

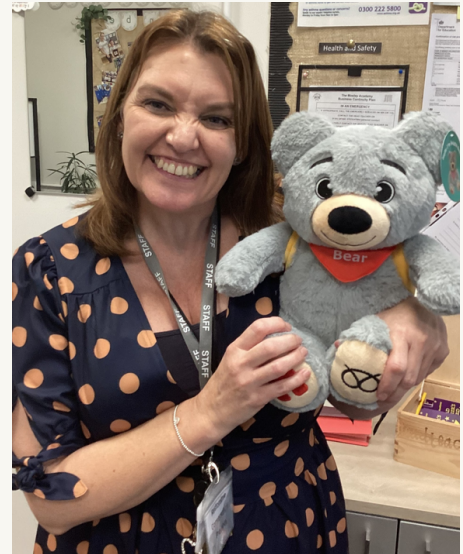
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ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Reception - 98%
Year 1 - 99%
Year 2 - 97.7%
Year 3 - 99.3%
Year 4 - 98.6%
Year 5 - 99.4%
Year 6 - 94.1%
Overall - 98%



Attendance Awards

Every week, we celebrate the winning class for the highest attendance. You can see the results each week on the newsletter. The winning class is announced in class by Mrs Taylor each week on a Friday and get to enjoy 5 minutes extra playtime. We also now have a lovely Helpful bear kindly donated by the Staffordshire Little Heroes campaign. Helpful bear will also stay with the winning class each week and enjoy a week of learning in the class with the highest attendance!

Congratulations to Year 5 with 99.4% attendance!



This week's stars are:

Reception - Freya
Year 1 - Alfie
Year 2 - Charlton
Year 3 - Jessica
Year 4 - Darcy M
Year 5 - Lottie
Year 6 - Finlay
Well done to you all!



DATES

Thursday 24th September

EYFS Phonics
Workshop for parents
Hall 9am-10am
More details on
Seesaw on Monday
21st

Monday 28th September

School Photographs
Individuals and
Siblings
More details to follow

Tuesday 13th - 16th October

Year 6 Residential to
Laches Wood
Available to purchase
on MCAS under the
Clubs Tab

Thursday 15th October

Star Foundation Visit
More details to follow

Wednesday 21st October

EYFS Parent Lunch
11.30am
More details to follow

Thursday 22nd October

Harvest Festival
9am - KS2
2.45pm - EYFS & KS1
More details to follow

Friday 23rd October

INSET DAY
SCHOOL CLOSED TO
ALL STUDENTS

Monday 26th - Friday 30th October

Half term

Monday 2nd November

Back to School

Tuesday 3rd November

Year 5 Class Trip to
Burton Fire Station
More details to follow

Wednesday 4th November

School Disco
EYFS & KS1 - 3.30-
4.30pm
KS2 - 4.40-5.50pm

Friday 13th November

Children In Need
More details to follow

DATES

Tuesday 1st December

Whole School Trip to
Lichfield Garrick
Pantomine

More details to follow

School Tour Dates

Please see the dates below for our School Tours for parents with children starting school in September 2027.

Please email or call the school office to book a place for a tour.

November 4th 9.30 am
Friday 6 th November 9.45 am
Tuesday 17th November 1.45 pm
Thursday 26th November 1.45 pm
Monday 7th December 9.45 am
Thursday 7th January 1.45 pm

14th Sept
5th Oct

WEEK 1	MEAT FREE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main dish	Pb	Tomato & roasted vegetable pasta	Beef burger with baked potato wedges	Roast turkey with mashed potato & gravy	All day breakfast	Crispy battered fish & chunky chips
Vegetarian Main dish	Pb	Tomato & roasted vegetable pasta	Quorn™ burger with chips	Cheese & onion pie served with new potatoes	Vegetarian all day breakfast	Pb Vegan sausage & chunky chips
Accompaniments		Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar
Desserts		Shortbread	Pb Fruit flapjack	Plain muffin	Pb Chocolate brownie	Ice-Cream & fresh fruit
Fresh fruit or yoghurt		Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt
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21st Sept
12th Oct

WEEK 2	MEAT FREE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main dish		Cheese & bean wrap with potatoes of the day	Chicken curry & rice with naan bread	Roast chicken with creamy mash potato & gravy	Margherita pizza with baked potato wedges	Crispy fish fingers with chunky chips
Vegetarian Main dish		Cheese & bean wrap with potatoes of the day	Vegetarian korma & rice	Pb Vegan sausage & mash potato with gravy	Margherita pizza with baked potato wedges	Pb Crispy vegetable fingers with chunky chips
Accompaniments		Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar
Desserts	5 & 10p	Chocolate & pear sponge with custard	Apple & cinnamon muffin	5 & 10p Pb Oaty biscuit with fresh fruit	Fruit meringue	5 & 10p Cheese & crackers with grapes
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7th Sept
28th Sept
19th Oct

WEEK 3	MEAT FREE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main dish		Tuna and tomato pasta	Spanish chicken in a tomato sauce with 50/50 rice	Roast pork with creamy mash potato & gravy	Pork meatballs with wholemeal pasta	Hot dog served with chips
Vegetarian Main dish		Tomato pasta	Pb Quorn™ in a Spanish style tomato sauce with rice	Roast Quorn™ and mash	5 & 10p Vegetarian meatballs with pasta	Veggie sausage hotdog with baked wedges
Accompaniments		Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar
Desserts		Lemon shortbread	Blueberry & banana muffin	Strawberry whip	Chocolate crunch	Ice cream
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Parent Awareness Sessions - Autumn 2026

The Autism Inclusion Team is delighted to offer free, supportive sessions for parents and carers of children with an autism diagnosis who attend a Staffordshire school, including children and young people who have not yet been referred to our service.

Date	Time	Session	Location/Platform
Thursday 22.10.26	9:30 - 11:00	Understanding Autism	TEAMS - email: autism.training@staffordshire.gov.uk to book your place
	11:00 - 12:30	Raising Self-esteem	
	1:30- 3:00	Emotional Regulation	
Tuesday 03.11.26	09:30 - 11:00	Autism and Masking	Stafford Children's Centre 
Tuesday 03.11.26	1:00- 2:30	Reducing Barriers to Education	Stafford Children's Centre 
Wednesday 18.11.26	10- 12:30	Autism in the Early Years	TEAMS - email: autism.training@staffordshire.gov.uk to book your place
Tuesday 01.12.26	10:00- 11:30	Girls and Autism	Stafford Children's Centre 
Thursday 03.12.26	10- 11:30	Autism and Eating	TEAMS - email: autism.training@staffordshire.gov.uk to book your place

The Autism Inclusion Team is dedicated to driving cultural change that empowers educational settings and families to effectively support the teaching, learning and well-being of autistic students.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about CHARACTER.AI

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Character.AI is an entertainment platform where users create and chat with AI-powered characters. These chatbots can act like existing favourite characters from movies or books, or like friends, mentors, or even romantic partners, responding in an emotional, personally engaging way. Although this can encourage creativity, it can also make a generated conversation feel like a genuine relationship, which is concerning if it takes the place of human relationships.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

AI replies are generated in real time rather than chosen from a fully checked script. Even with safety filters on, conversations can still move into sexual, violent, discriminatory, or self-harm material. These AI characters are often made by users, so a familiar name or child-friendly description does not guarantee that every response from the character will be suitable for a young person.

BLURRED BOUNDARIES

Characters on Character.AI can use the language of friendship, love, and empathy without ever feeling anything. Vulnerable young people may struggle to separate this simulation from genuine understanding. Romantic role-play or a character that demands attention, loyalty, or secrecy could also risk distorting young people's expectations around consent, disagreement, and the give-and-take involved in healthy human relationships.

UNRELIABLE ADVICE

Characters, like other chatbot platforms, are at risk of inventing facts or giving inappropriate advice while sounding completely confident. Characters may also echo a young person's assumptions instead of questioning them. This can become particularly risky when users rely on a character for guidance about health, mental wellbeing, relationships, money, or personal safety instead of checking with a credible source or trusted adult.

EMOTIONAL DEPENDENCY

Character.AI chatbots can appear endlessly attentive, supportive, and affectionate, which is one of the hallmarks of the generative AI models that such companions are built on. A young person may start turning to a character chatbot whenever they feel lonely or upset and believe that it understands them better than the humans in their life. This can become more concerning when chatting starts to replace sleep, schoolwork, hobbies and friendships.

PRIVACY CONCERNS

Character.AI chats may feel private, especially when a bot sounds personal and caring, but they take place on a company's online systems. Users could intentionally or unintentionally reveal their name, school, location, routines, images, or intimate concerns. Character.AI says some data may be retained to improve its services and AI models, so young people should never treat a chatbot like a confidential diary.

UNHEALTHY ENGAGEMENT

Be aware of warning signs such as secret accounts, bypassing age restrictions, hiding phone use from adults, chatting late at night, distress when access to the platform or character stops, withdrawal from other people, falling interest in school, or believing the character is conscious. Increased use may also signal that the young person is already lonely, anxious, or seeking help.

Advice for Parents & Educators

KEEP CONVERSATIONS OPEN

Ask what the young person enjoys about Character.AI and invite them to show you how the platform and their favourite characters work. Useful questions include, "Has it ever said something that felt wrong?" and "How can you tell it doesn't have feelings?" Avoid shaming them for using platforms like Character.AI or making them feel there is something wrong with them for doing so.

CHECK AGE, SETTINGS & LIMITS

Character.AI's minimum age is 16 in the UK, but open-ended companion chat is restricted to adults aged 18 or over. Users aged 16 to 17 receive a different experience built around guided 'Stories' and other creative or social features. Check their current settings, never help or encourage a young person to give a false age, and apply the same safety rules to other chatbot apps.

PAUSE, CHECK AND ASK

Teach young people to pause before accepting an answer from characters on Character.AI. Encourage them to check important claims against a trustworthy source and ask a safe adult when the issue matters. Never use a character as the sole source of medical, mental health, legal, financial, or safeguarding advice. Remind them not to share passwords, contact details, school information, live locations, or private images.

NOTICE AND RESPOND

Take action if chats involve sexual content, threats, coercion, abuse, self-harm or danger. Save relevant evidence, report the character and follow the setting's safeguarding process; educators should involve the designated safeguarding lead. If anyone is in immediate danger, contact emergency services. Childline is available on 0800 1111 and the NSPCC Helpline on 0800 800 5000.

Meet Our Expert

Darren Coxon is an educator with almost 30 years' experience across teaching, school leadership, and governance. He works internationally, supporting schools and colleges with AI leadership and governance, as well as teaching the key fundamentals of AI use and safety to educators at The National College.



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at

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Full day = 4 workshops

1 class: ½ Day £110 Full Day £200

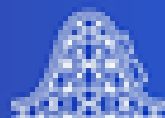
2+ classes: ½ Day £100 Full Day £190

Home Ed* Day £30 per student

Five exciting KS2 sessions to choose from:

Crazy Catapults

Launch your own minicatatapult to discover the science of force, motion and engineering in this hands-on physics challenge!



Rapid Rollercoasters

Team up to build paper rollercoasters, race marbles through twists and turns while learning about forces and motion in this fun hands-on challenge!

Soar to Shore

Design, test, and take to the skies! Build paper planes, explore floating submarines and discover the science of flight, forces, and buoyancy through exciting team challenges.



Future Cities

Step into the future and discover how small ideas can make a big difference. This hands-on workshop empowers young minds to become the environmental innovators of tomorrow.



Our Place in Space

Venture from Earth to the stars with Rosliston Astronomy Group as they explore planets, galaxies, astronomy and our universe in a mesmerising slide show.



Fri 9 Oct: KS2 Home Educators' Day

Mon - Fri 12-16 Oct: KS2 School Groups



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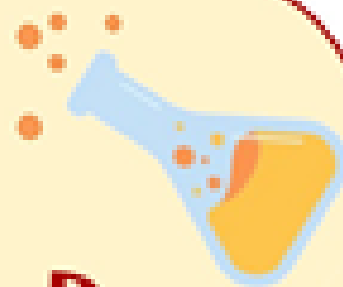
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Environmental
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at Rosliston Forestry Centre



Family Fun

Science Discovery Day

Saturday 17th October 11am-3pm

Muldy & Marvellous



Join the Environmental Education Project Team for a mixture of simple, fun experiments & exhibits. Experiments and activities on the theme of food, and preventing food waste.

See the Observatory and learn about Birds of prey too!

No booking, drop in during the event.

FREE event. Suitable for all ages

Donations welcomed for experiments and the repair café.



Discover astronomy & visit the Observatory with Rosliston Astronomy Group.



REPAIR CAFE 11-2pm

Bring your broken stuff to be repaired by Circularity's Repair Café.



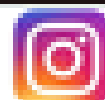
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