



Junior Citizens Event – Year 6

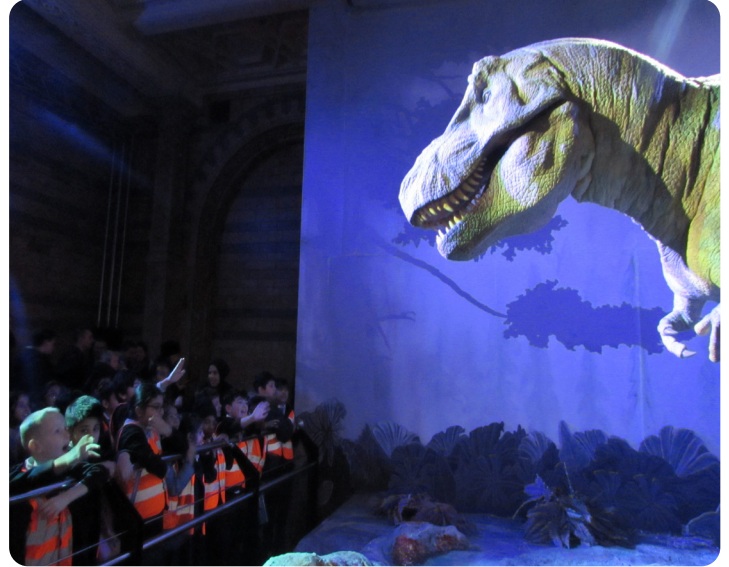
On Thursday 22nd January, pupils from Year 6 attended a Junior Citizens event at Brunel University where they learnt how to stay safe and to be good citizens. The pupils were completely focused as they attended different sessions that involved them in realistic and problematic scenarios where they had to think carefully about the actions they needed to take. There were eight scenarios in total, which covered health issues, fire safety, citizenship, home safety, dangerous substances, online safety, water safety and road safety.

The pupils were very eager to get involved in question and answer sessions as well as share their knowledge with both their peers and professionals. More importantly, they also learnt lots of new life skills to help keep them safe and be good citizens. Well done Year 6!



Natural History Museum Trip – Year 3

To consolidate their knowledge on topics related to their class-work, the Year 3 pupils visited The Natural History Museum. The museum is divided into four different zones, each offering a unique learning experience. In the Orange Zone, pupils learned about real science in the Darwin Centre and got close to a range of soft bodied specimens (fish, reptiles and amphibians). In the Blue Zone, pupils explored the skeletons of different animals. Pupils were amazed at the life-sized blue whale model. In the Green Zone, pupils walked beneath the skeleton of the largest animal on earth, a 120 million-year-old Mantellisaurus. In the Red Zone, pupils explored the evolution of life on our planet. Overall, the pupils have a fun-filled day of exploring.





Rosedale Primary Celebrated Nationally for Outstanding Achievement - Letter From Bridget Phillipson, Secretary of State for Education

We are thrilled to share some exceptional news with our school community. Rosedale Primary School has been recognised nationally as one of the highest performing schools for disadvantaged pupils at the end of the 2024/25 academic year. In a letter from Bridget Phillipson, Secretary of State for Education, the school was commended for its “excellent outcomes” and its position “among the very best nationally.” This recognition reflects the dedication, ambition, and relentless hard work of our staff and pupils — qualities that continue to define our school community. This achievement highlights what is possible when high expectations, expert teaching, and a supportive school culture come together. As a school, we remain deeply committed to ensuring that every child, regardless of background, receives the best possible start in life.

Thank you to all our staff, families, and pupils for being part of this success.



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A message from
Bridget Phillipson



Congratulations to you and your team on the excellent outcomes the disadvantaged pupils at Rosedale Primary School achieved at the end of the 2024/25 academic year. Your school's performance places it among the very best nationally, and this is a significant achievement.

This success reflects the dedication of your staff and the hard work of your pupils. It shows what can be achieved when ambition and commitment come together. Thank you for everything you do to give children the best possible opportunities to succeed.

Your school's achievements demonstrate what is possible, and I hope you will continue to share your experience and best practice with others. Even the strongest schools can go further. We encourage you to lead the way as a system leader - sharing effective practice, championing networks, supporting collaboration, and helping raise standards across the sector.

There are real opportunities available for you to support improvement for a wider group of pupils including through:

- engaging actively with [your region's RISE networks](#) and partnering with nearby schools and trusts;
- contributing to regional roundtables and professional communities to spread the approaches that are working in your context; and
- sustaining excellence by continuing to focus on disadvantaged pupils

Please pass on my thanks and **congratulations** to your staff and pupils. I look forward to working with you as we strive together to raise standards for all.

Bridget Phillipson
Secretary of State for Education

*Your success,
Bridget*

Gordon Brown Centre – Third Instalment Due

We would like to remind all parents, guardians and carers of children in Year 6 who are attending the Year 6 residential Gordon Brown Centre, that the first instalment of £52 is due by Thursday 5th February. Please make the payment via IPAYimpact by this date.

For those who would still like to attend the trip but have not yet handed in the first instalment with the reply slip, there are still spaces available. We would love as many children as possible to attend this amazing trip.

Booster Morning - Monday 16th February

On Monday 16th February, we will be running a booster morning for those pupils who have been sent an invitation. This is from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Pupils can come in their own clothes and will need to be provided with a snack and water bottle. Thank you.

NSPCC Number Day – 6th February

On Friday 6 February, we will be celebrating NSPCC Number Day at school. Children are invited to dress up as a number or wear something with numbers on it, for example a shirt, scarf, gloves, hat or socks. Please keep outfits simple and comfortable for a normal school day.

We kindly ask for a £1 donation, which will go towards supporting the NSPCC and the important work they do to keep children safe. Thank you for your continued support in helping us raise funds for this worthwhile cause.

Fasting at Ramadan

We would like to make parents, guardians and carers aware that at The Rosedale Hewens Academy Trust, we only allow children in Year 6 to fast, as, in our experience, fasting in year groups below this has a detrimental effect upon a child's overall performance.

Pupils in lower year groups could be supported to fast at home on the weekend if required, allowing families to supervise their health and wellbeing very closely.

If you would like more information about this, please speak with a member of staff in the School office. Thank you.

After-School Care – Contact Number

For any enquiries or updates regarding the After-School Care between 4:30 pm and 5:20 pm, please call 07957553815.

This number should be used if you need to inform us of changes to collection, late arrivals, or any urgent matters related to the wrap around care.

Pedestrian Training - Year 1

On Monday 2nd February, the Year 1 pupils will be taking part in pedestrian training which is delivered by staff from the London Borough of Hillingdon. The pedestrian training is part of the School's efforts to promote and encourage road safety, and active and sustainable travel.

Class Photographs – Thursday 26th February

The School photographer is scheduled to visit on Thursday 26th February to take class photographs. Please be advised that children must wear full school uniform.

Please also note, Physical Education (PE) will not be held on this day. Thank you.

Road Safety and Traffic Congestion

We would like to say thank you to everyone for driving and parking safely when dropping off and picking your children up from school. We ask that, where possible, please avoid making any U-turns outside the front of the School. This is to minimise and ease congestion during peak times. There are roundabouts at either end of Wood End Green Road, which can be utilised to make any turns. Also, please try to avoid driving your cars on the pavements, as this is very unsafe for pedestrians. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Cycle Training Workshops

Parent and Child Immersive Cycle Training Workshops

“What does it involve?”

- Joining other parents and children in a session led by Dr Dan Bishop ([scan the QR code for more info](#))
- View 360-degree footage filmed from a cyclist's view on tablet devices (see photo below)
- Discussing cycling on roads, hearing other parents' and children's views, and completing a short survey

“Where and when is it?”

- The Sport & Exercise Psychology Lab, Brunel University of London, Kingston Lane, Hillingdon, UB8 3PH
- Starting February/March 2026, 4.00-5.00 after school

“What does it cost?”

- **Moneywise:** it's FREE **Timewise:** ~1 hour


“What are the potential benefits?”

- Data from thousands of UK children shows that this training improves children's understanding of how to cycle safely on roads
- You and your child will improve your understanding, too
- You could join a local support network of parents, to support cycling to school

“I'm interested. What should I do next?”

- Email Dr Dan Bishop at daniel.bishop@brunel.ac.uk or dan@bikeabilitytrust.org to let him know!





FEBRUARY 2026

| FEBRUARY | |
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| Monday 2nd to Friday 6th | National Storytelling Week |
| Monday 2nd | Pedestrian Training - Year 1 |
| Tuesday 3rd | Young Voices Concert |
| Wednesday 4th | Road Safety Workshop - Year 6 |
| Thursday 5th | Romans Workshop - Year 3 |
| Friday 6th | Time to Talk Day |
| Monday 9th to Friday 13th | Children's Mental Health Week |
| Tuesday 10th | Flight Careers Workshop - Year 4, 5 and 6 |
| Wednesday 11th | International Day of Women and Girls in Science |
| Friday 13th | The Natural History Museum Trip - Year 4 |
| Monday 16th | 9:00am to 12:00pm Booster Session - Invitation Only |
| Monday 16th to Friday 20th | Half Term Break |
| Tuesday 24th | Virtual Author Event - Year 6 |
| Thursday 26th | Class Photographs |
| Friday 27th | Live Virtual Author Event - Year 6 |

STEM Workshops for Year 5 and 6

On Monday 2nd March, the pupils in Year 5 and 6 will be taking part in a series of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Workshops. The Year 6 children will be taking part in the STIXX workshops which sees them creating WWII Air Raid Shelters out of newspapers and the Year 5 children will be making their own Tudor Toys. The workshops form an integral part of the children's learning. Therefore, please make sure that your child is in school and wearing their full and correct school uniform. If you have any broadsheet newspapers at home you would like to donate for the STIXX workshop, please hand these in to the School Office. Thank you.

Trip to Natural History Museum – Year 4

On Friday 13th February, Pupils in Year 4 will be visiting the Natural History Museum. You will need to bring your child into school by no later than 8:30am to ensure that the children can leave promptly. For the trip, pupils will be required to wear their full and correct school uniform.

All payments and reply slips should now have been handed in. If you have any issues or concerns preventing you from making the payment or handing in the reply slip, please do let us know at the School Office.

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|  | Week Commencing: Monday 2nd February MENU 1 |
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| MONDAY | | |
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| Meal Choice 1 | Chicken Goujons with Homemade Oven Baked Potato Slices and Beans | Halal |
| Meal Choice 2 | Chicken Goujons with Homemade Oven Baked Potato Slices and Beans | Non Halal |
| Meal Choice 3 | Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings | Vegetarian |
| Meal Choice 4 | Gluten free Chicken Goujons with Potatoes and Beans | Gluten/Dairy Free |
| Dessert Choice | Strawberry Ice Cream and Fresh Strawberries | Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts |
| TUESDAY | | |
| Meal Choice 1 | Spaghetti Bolognese | Halal |
| Meal Choice 2 | Spaghetti Bolognese | Non Halal |
| Meal Choice 3 | Patatouille Spaghetti | Vegetarian |
| Meal Choice 4 | Bolognese with Gluten free Pasta | Gluten/Dairy Free |
| Dessert Choice | Jam Sponge | Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts |
| WEDNESDAY | | |
| Meal Choice 1 | Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice | Halal |
| Meal Choice 2 | Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice | Non Halal |
| Meal Choice 3 | Macaroni Cheese | Vegetarian |
| Meal Choice 4 | Lightly Spiced Chicken Breast with Rice | Gluten/Dairy Free |
| Dessert Choice | Lemon Tart | Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts |
| THURSDAY | | |
| Meal Choice 1 | Roast Turkey with Onion Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Stuffing | Halal |
| Meal Choice 2 | Roast Turkey with Onion Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Stuffing | Non Halal |
| Meal Choice 3 | Cauliflower and Broccoli Cheese Bake | Vegetarian |
| Meal Choice 4 | Turkey Escalope with Potatoes and Gluten free Gravy | Gluten/Dairy Free |
| Dessert Choice | Strawberry Jelly | Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts |
| FRIDAY | | |
| Meal Choice 1 | Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Potato Wedges | |
| Meal Choice 2 | Tomato Pasta Bake | Vegetarian |
| Meal Choice 3 | Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans | Gluten/Dairy Free |
| Dessert Choice | Fresh Fruit Salad | Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts |

Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day



Social Media and Age Restrictions: What Parents Need to Know

Most social media platforms are not legal for children under 13 years old in the UK. This includes popular apps such as:

TikTok
Instagram
Snapchat
Facebook
Discord



(Minimum age for these platforms: 13+)