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19th October 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

After half term, we will be starting our brilliant 'Dazzling Dahl' topic. Throughout the topic, we will be reading books by the author Roald Dahl and our writing will take inspiration from his fantastic stories. We would like to start this topic by giving the children the opportunity to come into school dressed up as a character from any of the Roald Dahl stories on **Tuesday 3rd November 2026.** Please don't feel that you have to go out and buy a new costume as the children can easily come dressed as Matilda (in a dress) or Charlie (in shorts and top).

The children may choose to come into school dressed as Willy Wonka, The BFG or a witch from The Witches. Of course, there are plenty of other fantastic characters to choose from too! We will then have a parade in school where the children can see each other's fantastic costumes, perhaps even spotting some characters they've not come across before. Please ensure that with their costume, your child is wearing appropriate footwear for playtime and lunchtime.

In class, we have been sharing the stories of 'Matilda' and 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' with the children to prepare them for our next topic. However, we also feel it would benefit them greatly if they were able to watch both films. The children will be writing character descriptions of Charlie, Willy Wonka, Matilda and other characters in the stories and we believe that they will gain a good understanding of the characters attributes having viewed the films as well as having heard the stories.

Both films are rated PG. If you have any concerns about your child watching the films, then please discuss this with your child's class teacher before **Monday 2nd November 2025.**

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Mr Doman

Year 2 Leader