



#### **Dear Parents**

#### **VISION FOR RYDES HILL**

Thank you to all the Parents who attended the Welcome Evening last Thursday. It was wonderful to have the opportunity to meet parents and to share some of our vision for moving the School forward. One of the elements that I have been asked to put in the newsletter for reference is regarding the '5 C's'. We have been looking at the concept of the 4<sup>th</sup> Industrial Revolution and the impact this will have on the future working life of our children; what skills will they need in their adult lives that we can encourage and teach now? We have looked at the World Economic Forum top ten skills that employers will be looking for in 2020 and have used these to develop the Rydes Hill 5C's. These are:

- Collaboration
- Communication
- Courage
- Creativity
- Curiosity ٠

We want to ensure that we are maintaining and building on our high academic standards by developing students who are confident, adaptable, independent learners. As part of our staff training, teachers are working on adapting lessons this term to embrace these ideas.

Another topic that I have been asked about by parents since I started at Rydes Hill is about the possibility of taking boys throughout the School. This term we will be opening this discussion up and all views on this are encouraged and welcomed. Both these topics will be discussed as part of the Parents' Forum session on 4<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm. All parents are welcome to attend. A PDF of the presentation from Welcome Evening is attached to this newsletter. Whilst it doesn't give all the information discussed, it should give you a flavour. You are welcome to speak to me about the topics if you would like more information.

#### **CARETAKER OF THE YEAR**

We have nominated the wonderful Mr Rob for the National Caretaker of the Year awards. We think all our site staff do a marvellous job but wanted to nominate Mr Rob this year for everything that he does. If you would like to add your voice to the nomination, please complete the online nomination form.



#### **SCHOOL SHOES**

We have had a number of comments from parents who are finding it increasingly hard to find navy blue shoes for their child, particularly if they have wide feet. We will be phasing in the option of wearing black shoes instead. When you buy your child's next pair of shoes you may choose navy or black but neither colour should be patent. Please note that patent shoes have never been part of the uniform, although we are seeing an increase in patent leather shoes being worn. There is no need for anyone to change or buy new shoes now. Parents just need to bear this information in mind when purchasing the next pair of shoes for their child.

#### **SMARTIE TUBES**

If you have any Smartie tubes at home, please can these be brought into the School Office (when you have eaten the contents!) as we hope to use them for a charity fundraising initiative later in the year.

#### **STOMACH BUGS**

We have had a number children with stomach bugs in School this week. We are encouraging good hand hygiene in School and ask you to do the same with your children at home. Please remember that a child should not return to School until 48 hours after their last incident of vomiting or diarrhoea.

#### **BAGS2SCHOOL**

Start clearing out your cupboards as the next Bag2School collection will take place on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November. You will be provided with a bag to put your unwanted 'good quality' clothing items. A full list of what is and isn't accepted in the collection will be posted nearer the time. Any bag can be used to bring the items to School on 20<sup>th</sup> November. The Friends receive a donation from the company based on the weight of the items in the bags.

#### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Rydes Hill have offered the Guildford Mummies Club the use of our Dining Hall on the morning of Saturday, 29th September for a MacMillan Coffee Morning. We would love to drum up support for this worthy cause so do please come along from 10am-12pm if you are free. There will be plenty of toys for the children while you enjoy a coffee!



#### DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

Please note that Mrs Norville will be out of School 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> September at the IAPS conference.

BIRTHDAY		
25th Sept	Alexander W	
25th Sept	Loriane H	
30th Sept	Ruby B	

#### Special Awards

**French Girdle:** Grace R (MP) for being very helpful and kind in French.

**PE Award:** Ava B (LP) for fantastic effort, resilience and attitude at the Cross Country event at St Catherine's.

**RE Award:** Maria F (F1) for being helpful at Mass.

**Science Award:** Mathilde H-L (HP) for enthusiastic collection of interesting facts about the human body.

**Music Award:** Mahika M (UT) for excellent participation in lessons.

Ballet Award: Kirsten L (LP) for hard work.

Kindness Award: Tilly T for helping a member of her class.

**Special Award:** Tilly W for enthusiastically talking about her learning.

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#### Silver Awards

YEAR GROUP	EXCELLENT WORK	EXCELLENT CONDUCT
Kindergarten	Kara H	Grace M
Lower Trans	Freya B	Annabel S
Upper Trans	Zac B	Ruby B
Lower Prep	Rachel F	Isabella D
Middle Prep	Lola B	Amelia D
Higher Prep	Maya D	Ayesha Y
Form One	Charlotte H-J	Lilia H
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# Putting the 5 C's into practice in Lower Transition







Encouraging creativity & collaboration through team-based activity to re-enact The Gruffalo.





Many thanks to FRHPS for arranging the Form One Cake Sale!





# Cross Country at St Catherine's School

#### U8, U9, U19, U11 Cross Country at St Catherine's

On Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> September, Rydes Hill took part in the annual Cross Country event at St Catherine's. We took 22 excited children from Lower Preparatory to Form One. All the girls did incredibly well to run and finish what was a hard, long, competitive race against 10 other schools.

Huge congratulations to all runners but especially the U9 team who were placed 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and received a well deserved medal. The U9 team were Dunni B, Ava B, Amelia D, Morayo F. Daisy P, Gracie R, and Tilly T.

A huge thank you to Mrs Luscombe, Mrs Roberts, Mrs Lappage and Mrs Donnelly for taking the girls to the event.



Amelia D, Gracie R, Daisy P, Ava B, Tilly T, Morayo F and Dunni B.

## Scarlett T Enchants audiences with English Youth Ballet



#### **SWAN LAKE**

As a member of the English Youth Ballet, Scarlett T recently performed in their production of Swan Lake at the New Wimbledon Theatre in London. The ballerinas performed a rendition of the Dance of the Sygnets from the Tchaikovsky ballet for visitors to the Centre Court Shopping in Wimbledon where the above photograph was taken. The photo was published in the Evening Standard. Scarlett T is in the front row on the far left.

## Toddler Time!

We are launching Toddler Time at Rydes Hill from the beginning of October. The sessions will take place every Wednesday from 9.30am—10.30am and we will be rotating four fun activities including Outdoor Explorers, Little Artists, Lets get Active and Music & Movement.

If any siblings of current pupils wish to attend, simply call Mrs O'Neill and she will reserve you a space!

Do forward details to any friends and family with children between 18 months and 3 years as all are welcome and the sessions are completely free.

Please note that spaces will need to be booked as we need to keep the numbers per session to below 16.





# The Upper Trans Chicks had an outing!





### House Points for w/e 17th September

CAMPION	GERALD	PATRICIA	PETER
72	108	91	140





Diary Dates for next week		
Tues 25th	Lower Prep Visit to Buster Farm	
Tues 25th	U11 A & B Netball Team v Queen Eleanor's (Home)	
Wed 26th	Pop Up Uniform Shop	
Tues 26th	Deadline for Christmas Card Forms	
Sat 29th	10am—12pm MacMillan Coffee Morning	

# Two Day Netball Training Camp during Half Term for Lower Prep to Form One

Mrs Bowles and Mrs Luscombe are running a Netball Training Camp on Monday, 29th and Tuesday, 30th October.

More details to follow!