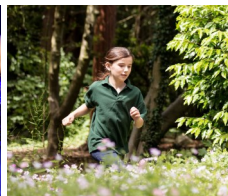




RYDES HILL

PREPARATORY SCHOOL & NURSERY

NEWSLETTER: Fri 11th February 2022



Dear Parents

A WEEK OF SPECIAL EVENTS

It has been a very busy week in School, with the children working on activities linked to Children's Mental Health Week, Online Safety and learning about entrepreneurship with the Children's Business Fair. It is so important for our children to have a well rounded and meaningful education, and these topics are so important for helping children prepare for their present and their future. We were so grateful to Sharon Girling OBE for her superb Online Safety sessions with the children, staff and parents this week. Handouts of the slides will be available in due course.

FRHPS UPDATE

Following a very fruitful FRHPS meeting this week, there are a few points to update:

1. There will be a Movie Night for children next half term. Date TBC. While the children watch a film, there will be a space for parents to socialise together. We will get a date out to you as soon as possible.
2. The Summer Fair will take place on Sunday 12th June, 12noon-3pm. This will be a wonderful opportunity for the whole School community to come together to celebrate not only the end of the academic year, but hopefully the end of a difficult time of being separated from one another. We hope this event will be a time for us all to be back in School, for the children to have fun and enjoy games, a carousel and a bouncy castle. Parents will have a chance to socialise and food will be available. Please save the date – more details nearer the time
3. A HUGE thank you to the FRHPS for our beautiful new Play House. This is a bespoke design, created just for us, with a ground floor, mezzanine and top floor inside! There are plans to think about how we can kit the house out with new equipment for the children. However, it has been suggested that some families may have items that would go in the house that they would like to recycle and that we can use in the interim. We have been offered a play kitchen, but are also looking for the following:
 - Play food, kitchen utensils, plates etc
 - Small, child size table and chairs
 - Weatherproof cushions or beanbags for upstairs / mezzanine
 - Weatherproof storage box for books
 - Dark coloured rug

Please let me know if you have anything that might be useful.

4. The FRHPS need a new secretary! Mrs Sargent is stepping down from the role due to other commitments. We would like to thank her for her amazing work. If anyone thinks that this is something they would like to take on, please speak to me or one of the FRHPS committee. Mrs Sargent is also happy to give anyone more information about the role if they would like it.

SUMMER SEEDLING SALE

Mrs Morris and Chef Dan have been working on growing vegetable seedlings. We will be holding a Summer Seedling Sale after half term (date TBC depending on the progress of the seedlings!). Proceeds will go to Guildford Food Bank.

SCHOOL SECRETARY

Miss Holloway will begin her maternity leave next week. We are in the process of recruiting for her maternity cover and will give you more details as soon as we have them. We wish her well and look forward to meeting her new arrival in due course!



IAPS U11 NETBALL QUALIFIERS

On Monday 7th February, we took a Netball team to compete in the IAPS U11 Netball Qualifying round at Cranleigh School. There were over 130 girls from 16 schools and it was a beautiful day for netball. There were four pools with four schools in each. In our pool were **Seaford College Prep, Ravenscourt Prep and Guildford High School**.

The results of the matches in our pool were:

Rydes Hill v Seaford College WON 2-0

Rydes Hill v Ravenscourt LOST 2-7

Rydes Hill v GHS DRAW 3-3

After lunch we went through to the quarter finals of the Plate Tournament where we found ourselves up against **Tormead**. We took a strong lead to start, but unfortunately couldn't manage to maintain it and we lost the match 6-8. The girls were a little disappointed that they didn't manage to get further in the tournament but it was a great experience for them to see such a vast range and high level of Netball on display.

I would like to thank all the parents who travelled to Cranleigh to support us and for helping to transport the girls (and their packed lunches!) to the tournament. Thank you also to Mrs Morris for stepping in at the last minute to help out.



U11 NETBALL V TORMEAD

On Tuesday 8th February we travelled over to Tormead with some girls from Form One and Higher Preparatory to play an U11 Netball match. The girls were determined to win and played really well, taking a strong lead from the start. We had two teams and decided to do a 'festival style' fixture where all the teams played each other. Out of the four matches played, Rydes Hill **WON** 3 of the matches and **DREW** one! The final scores were 10-0, 3-2, 1-0 and 1-1.

Well done to all the girls for playing so well and showing such great sportsmanship.

A special mention to Felicity F and Aurelia P for being awarded players of the match!

PE Department



CODE CAMP

Still haven't made plans for half term? This is your last chance to book a place at next week's Code Camp! We have 2 camps on offer:

Spark camp (7-11 year olds)

2 day camp

Wednesday and Thursday

At Spark camp, each child will create their own game using drag and drop coding. Drag and drop coding is a visual coding language which makes it easy to understand the role each function plays in their game. Each game will include awesome features such as zombies, unicorns, invisibility cloaks, and so much more. Your child will bring their game home with them and can continue coding at home using our own software Code Camp World.

Little Heroes (5-6 year olds)

2 day camp

Wednesday and Thursday


This highly interactive camp consists of a mixture of online and offline activities to keep kids engaged throughout their two-days with us. With less than 50% screen time, the children engage in exciting challenges and activities that really help explain the concepts of coding. Loads of fun, the kids absolutely love this!

Please go to www.codecamp.co.uk/rydeshill or contact hello@codecamp.co.uk for more information.




Holiday camps are back!

Get creative with technology this February half-term at Code Camp



Our Camps



Little Heroes
Ages 5 + 6
Hands on coding fun and stop-motion animation creation, with online and offline activities.



Spark
Ages 7-12
Our most popular camp where all kids aged 7-12 should start their Code Camp journey with drag & drop coding.



DJ Camp
Ages 8-13
For the music creators of tomorrow - master the basics of DJing with talented instructors on industry-standard equipment!



YouTube Creators
Ages 8-13
For the vloggers, gamers and budding content creators! Create and shoot your own YouTube videos.

 February Half-Term

 Rydes Hill Preparatory School

www.codecamp.co.uk/rydeshill

Silver Awards this week

YEAR GROUP	EXCELLENT WORK	EXCELLENT CONDUCT
Nursery	Thomas B	Sienna S
Kindergarten	Georgina W	Evey S
Lower Trans	Sophie S	Frances N
Upper Trans	Abdul A	Serenna P
Lower Prep	Qiao Qiao X	Shayna A
Middle Prep	Stephanie I	Jaime P
Higher Prep	Chae-Yoon J	Mary K
Form One	Martha L	Rachel F

Special Awards this week

RE Award: Tito B (LP) for creating a beautiful booklet about Reconciliation.

Forest School Award: Upper Trans for all the fun building Katie Morag's Island and Wilf M (KG) for his bug hotel!

Science Award: Kara B (F1) for her creative use of animal adaptations to design a shoe sole.

Ballet Award: Thea K (LP) for outstanding work.

Computing Award: Maryam M (F1) for making the right choice helping Mrs Flude in Computing lesson.

Music Award: All of Upper Trans for listening so well during the lesson on Jubilee music and during Viva Violins.

Drama Award: Evie W (UT) for very creative and imaginative nursery rhyme news report.

PE Award: Aurelia P (HP) for playing up an age group in IAPS U11 Netball Qualifiers—Well done!

Special Award: Mia Z (UT) for giving a beautiful explanation to our visitors about the importance of kindness at Rydes Hill

Kindness Award: Adam A (Nursery) - "Don't worry Mrs Morris everything will be ok!"

House Points for this week

CAMPION	GERALD	PATRICIA	PETER
60	79	60	81



Click here to view this week's 'The Wednesday Word':

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/happiness?pid=MTA101634&v=40.3>

Happy Birthday!

12th February	Alana W
15th February	Flossy D
15th February	Maria R
17th February	Sylvie S
20th February	Olivia T



You can win bonus donations up to £50 for Rydes Hill every day during February in #easyfundraising's new Spin to Win giveaway.

It's completely free to enter, for your chance to win simply visit:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/spin-to-win?utm_campaign=raise-



Fun in the new Wendy House at lunchtime!



Kindergarten enjoying their Forest School lesson



Lower Preparatory 'Kandinsky' Artwork



Making 'Ancient Egyptian' Bread in Lower Preparatory



Mummification!



LOST IN THE FOREST!

Half Term children's workshop 2022

SIME
GALLERY

Come and explore the natural world through the eyes of local artist Sidney Sime!

Face painting
Animal hats
Icing cookies
Bag printing

Quiz
Clay creatures
Printing press
Painting & drawing

Thursday 17th February 2 - 4 pm

Worplesdon Memorial Hall, Perry Hill,
Worplesdon, Guildford GU3 3RF

Activities suitable for children aged 4 - 10 but siblings welcome too! All children must be accompanied by parent or guardian.

For information or booking please contact the gallery:
07415 372620 or by email
enquiries@sidneysimegallery.org.uk

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£2

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Sime's Forest Project & Sime's Gallery

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