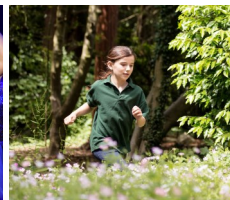




# RYDES HILL

PREPARATORY SCHOOL & NURSERY

NEWSLETTER: Fri 1st April 2022



**Dear Parents**

## **FOUNDER'S DAY CONCERT**

Thank you to all the girls who performed in the fantastic Founder's Day concert last Friday. The standard was incredibly high and it was wonderful to have an 'in person' performance. Despite the lockdowns and disruptions it is really clear that everyone has carried on working very hard and making amazing progress. Thank you to Mrs Flude, Miss Quinn and our wonderful team of peris for all their hard work with our children.

## **COVID UPDATE**

We currently have a large number of staff off with COVID, but only one or two children. Today marks the end of the Government's free testing programme and they have sent through to all schools the following recommendations:

- adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days

## **ADMINISTERING MEDICATION IN SCHOOL**

Our First Aid policy states that staff in School should not administer non-prescription medication such as paracetamol (calpol). This is a Department for Education regulation. We have sent a separate communication about this but the School Office is still repeatedly being asked to administer paracetamol to children. Please speak to me if you have any questions or concerns about this rule.

## **SPANISH**

Mme Hopgood, our French teacher, is also fluent in Spanish and is keen for children at Rydes Hill to have as much experience of languages as possible before they go to Senior School. At present, Higher Prep and Form One have two French lessons per week. In the Summer term we will trial them having one lesson of French and one of Spanish each week. We will review this at the end of the term before making a decision about what we will offer from September. Any parents with a view on this are encouraged to share it in the Parents' Forum meeting in the Summer term.

## **PE FLASHES**

As we move into Summer Uniform next term, please make sure your child has their PE flash on their skort / shorts. Additional / new flashes can be purchased from the School Office for £2.

## **HAPPY EASTER**

I hope you all have a Happy, restful and blessed Easter. We look forward to seeing the children back in School at the start of the new term.



## INDIVIDUAL PORTRAITS

It has been wonderful to welcome Ms Torlesse back to Rydes Hill this week. Those of you who remember her from when she was our Marketing Co-Ordinator will remember her superb photography. She is now taking a new direction in her career and has set herself up as a school photographer. She has completed the individual portrait shoots and will be editing and uploading the images onto a secure website over Easter. You will receive a password protected link to your child's images with the option to purchase the original digital file or prints.

Ms Torlesse has purposefully enabled parents to simply buy what they wish rather than be forced to buy bundles of images. If you have any specific requests for different sized prints or have any issues accessing your images, please email [bridgettorlessephotography@gmail.com](mailto:bridgettorlessephotography@gmail.com)

## FINANCIAL ACCOUNTANT

St Joseph's Specialist Trust in Cranleigh are looking for a Financial Accountant. If you or anyone you know might be interested in the role, the details can be found by clicking on this link <https://st-josephscranleigh.surrey.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Financial-Accountant-03.22.pdf>

**Mrs Norville**

## *PE Successes!*

What an AMAZING year we are having in PE at Rydes Hill. Despite Covid still affecting the sporting calendar, we have managed to play the majority of our planned fixtures and participate in a variety of other sporting events. Here is a summary of what our '**Small but Mighty School**' has achieved so far this year:

### NETBALL

We have played **24 Netball matches** this year and;

<b>WON</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>DRAWN</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>LOST</b>	<b>4</b>

#### GHS Invitational U10 Netball Tournament

**5<sup>th</sup> place in the Plate Final**

IAPS U11 Netball Qualifiers

**Lost in the Quarter Finals**

#### Rydes Hill House Netball

Senior Winners – **PATRICIA**

Junior Winners - **GERALD**

### GYMNASTICS

Prior's Field Gymnastics Festival;

**Individual 1<sup>st</sup> Place U10 Floor**

**Individual 2<sup>nd</sup> Place U10 Vault**

**Individual 3<sup>rd</sup> Place U10 Floor**



## CROSS COUNTRY

Individual U9 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

Individual U9 6<sup>th</sup> Place

## SWIMMING

IAPS Swimming Qualifiers

ESSA Regional Relay Finalists

## SPLASH AND DASH BIATHLON

Individual U9 2<sup>nd</sup> Place (run)

Individual U10 3<sup>rd</sup> Place (run)

Individual U11 7<sup>th</sup> Place (run)

Overall U10 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Biathlon (swim and run combined)

Winners of the Fancy Dress parade!

We would like to say a massive **CONGRATULATIONS** to everyone involved in our sporting success and a special thank you to parents for all your support of PE at Rydes Hill.

**Mrs Bowles, Mrs Luscombe and Mrs Morris**

## RYDES HILL HOUSE NETBALL 2022

On Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March we ran our annual House Netball for the children in Lower Prep, Middle Prep, Higher Prep and Form One. The senior girls (HP & F1) played on Tuesday in the beautiful sunshine and we saw some fast paced, high quality Netball on show. The junior girls (LP & MP) played on Thursday in slightly colder weather (with a sleet shower half way through!). The girls have made huge progress throughout the term in BEE Netball and this was the perfect opportunity to showcase their skills. All the Houses demonstrated team spirit, team work, versatility, organisation and most importantly they were happy!

A BIG thank you to ALL the parents who came to support us – it's the first time we have opened our doors to spectators for House Netball and we look forward to seeing you again at the next event.

The results were:

Senior House Netball Winners **PATRICIA**

Junior House Netball Winners **GERALD**

Thank you.

**PE Department**



## House Points for this week

CAMPION	GERALD	PATRICIA	PETER
97	126	107	92

## Happy Birthday!

31st March	Lexi K
3rd April	Marley T
8th April	Martha L
9th April	Bridget K
10th April	Amelia W-C
13th April	Bella L
17th April	Ruby B



You can win bonus donations up to £50 for Rydes Hill every day during January 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-more&utm\\_source=social&utm\\_medium=facebook](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/spin-to-win?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_source=social&utm_medium=facebook)

## Cups awarded this term

### Cup for Performing Arts:

**Mia Z (UT)** - For Drama, for excellent performances this term and helpfulness to others in lessons.

**Alicia H (HP)** - For improvement in confidence and general good progress in learning the trumpet.

**Flossy D (HP)** - For all-round improvement and working hard in all areas of Performing Arts.

### Cup for Languages:

**Jai S (LP)** - The Robson Cup - For his commitment to learning a foreign language (French and Spanish) has allowed him to make outstanding progress.

### Cup for Art:

**Eliana O (HP)** - For her fantastic progress in Art over the year.

### PE Award:

**Isabella D (F1)** - For making such good progress in Netball.

### Trophies and Cup for Sport:

Netball Trophy for MP & LP—GERALD

Netball Trophy for HP & F1—PATRICIA

Cup for Team Spirit—CAMPION

### Cup for Friendship:

**Vera V-N (HP)** - For her commitment and kindness to her friends. This cup has around the rim the words Generosity, Care, Helpfulness, Fairness, Love and Companionship.



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

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



# Higher Prep Enjoy India Day



# Lower Prep Trip to Lookout Discovery Centre



## Kindergarten Roasting Marshmallows



## Kindergarten Going On A Bear Hunt..



# Easter Assembly

