



Dear Parents

THINKING DAY — 25TH FEBRUARY 2019

The 22nd February is World Thinking Day, when Girl Guides and Girl Scouts everywhere remember each other and reaffirm their commitment to international friendship and understanding.

It originated at the 1926 World Conference and was first celebrated in 1927 - February 22nd being chosen because this date marks the joint birthday of the Founder and the World Chief Guide Lord and Lady Baden-Powell. On Thinking Day, children are invited to wear their Rainbows, Brownies or Guides uniform to School. As the 22nd February falls in half term this year, children are invited to wear their uniforms on Monday 25th February. Beavers and Cubs may join in too if they wish.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

We are lucky to have such a range of tasty food to choose from at lunchtimes. However, we have noticed that there have been a large number of children who always select plain pasta for lunch every day. We want to encourage children to eat a balanced diet and so have reduced the availability of pasta to twice a week. Each day there are still two choices of main course and jacket potato. There is a salad bar every day with protein items such as cheese, ham or tuna. If parents are concerned about what their child is eating for lunch, please speak to your child's teacher.

PARENT CONSULTATION MEETINGS

Thank you to everyone who has booked in their appointments for next week. On arrival at School, please make your way in through the main door and collect your child's work from the Dining Hall. There will be seating in the Entrance Hall and adjacent corridor for you to wait. We are hoping to ensure that all appointments keep to time. Teachers will be given a reminder after ten minutes so that they then have time to draw the conversation to a close, enabling the next appointment to start on time.

SWIMMING

At present, parents are able to collect their child from Surrey Sports Park after swimming. These arrangements must be in place for a full term and parents may not 'chop and change'. In general, this is working. However, there is an issue with how much storage space we are now being given at Surrey Sports Park. Some children take their PE bag, swimming bag, school bag and a violin with them and there is simply not space for everything in the changing room. Beginning after half term, children who are picked up from the pool will be able to bring their swimming bag and school bag with them. Everything else will either need to be collected by a parent from School prior to collecting their child from the Surrey Sports Park or be taken home after the weekend.

HOCKEY

After half term, all girls in Lower Prep to Form One will need a gum shield and pair of shin pads for their hockey lessons.

FAMILY YOGA

Further to a personal recommendation by Miss Quinn, there may be an opportunity to invite Synergy Dance to run an after School Family Yoga class at Rydes Hill. If this is something you feel you and your child(ren) would be interested in, please email enquiries@rydeshill.com so that we can gauge potential interest.

Mrs Norville

U11 NETBALL MATCH V ST JOSEPH'S—TUESDAY 5TH FEBRUARY

On Tuesday 5th February Rydes Hill hosted an U11 A and B match against St Joseph's. It was a bitterly cold afternoon and the girls did well just to keep warm! We invited all of Form One to play in the match, and they played really well as a class together. The 'A' team took an early lead and their second quarter saw many goals scored. The 'B' team had a very tight match for the whole game and just managed to keep their lead right up to the final whistle.

The 'A' team won 13-2 with Charlotte HJ awarded player of the match.

The 'B' team won 4-3 with Loriane H awarded player of the match.

Mrs Bowles and Mrs Luscombe

SPONSORSHIP

Chef Dan is taking part in a cycle ride from London to Cardiff in tribute to a friend who recently passed away after living with cancer for several years. This friend had completed this gruelling 190 mile cycle shortly before her diagnosis to raise money for Myeloma UK, as her mother had been treated for Myeloma.



The cycle ride will follow the same route this friend took in memory of her hard work and dedication and to raise money for three charities that were close to her heart: Cancer Research UK; Gilgal (a safe house providing short-term emergency accommodation and support to women and their children feeling domestic violence); Birmingham St Mary's Hospice, supporting individuals living with life-limiting illness.

If you would like to sponsor Chef Dan, a sponsorship form is located in the School Office.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

Our Second Hand Uniform Shop is now online! Please use this link <https://mobileofficeltd.typeform.com/to/EzBE8o> to access our online order form. Requests will be sent through and, if your item is in stock, it will be left in the School Office. Payment can be made on collection. A HUGE thank you to Mrs Milnes for all her hard work with the Uniform Shop, including this wonderful new online facility.

Diary Dates for next week	
Tues 12th Feb	U11 A&B Netball v Notre Dame (Home)
Tues 12th Feb	5pm - 7.30pm: Parent Consultations
Tues 12th Feb	FRHPS Committee Meeting in the Lodge
Thurs 14th Feb	Higher Prep Indian Day
Thurs 14th Feb	U9 A&B Netball v Tormead (Home)
Thurs 14th Feb	4pm - 6.30pm: Parent Consultations
Fri 15th Feb	10am - 11am: Quiz Club National Heat

Happy Birthday!

Birthdays next week	
Mon 11th Feb	Scarlett T
Tues 12th Feb	Alana W
Thurs 14th Feb	Zac B
Fri 15th Feb	Maria R
Fri 15th Feb	Flossy D





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House Points totals for this week			
CAMPION	GERALD	PATRICIA	PETER
74	110	59	128

Special Awards

PE Award: Bridget K (MP) for her perseverance on learning her cartwheels.

RE Award: Jai S (KG) for talking about Jesus.

Science Award: Kristen L (LP) for her description of how an aeroplane is held up.

French Award: Rebecca F (HP) for fantastic listening and for trying hard with participation.

Ballet Award: Kara H (KG) for working hard every week.

Kindness Award: Alice Mc (UT) for always helping other children, especially at swimming.

Special Award: Emily P (KG) for working so hard with Mrs Norville this week.

Silver Awards

YEAR GROUP	EXCELLENT WORK	EXCELLENT CONDUCT
Kindergarten	Ruby S	Violet-Mae N
Lower Trans	Henry T	Alana W
Upper Trans	Josie B	Alicia H
Lower Prep	Iseult R-C	Felicity F
Middle Prep	Gracie R	Alina W-C
Higher Prep	Mathilde H-L	Isobel G
Form One	Lilia H	Sophie S

Thank you Upper Trans mums for brightening Wednesday afternoon with cake!



Lovely Mass held by Higher Prep this week with the theme 'God is our Rock'



Jake, the Metropolitan Police puppy in training had the whole School smiling!



Nursery cooking a fine stew in Forest School this week

