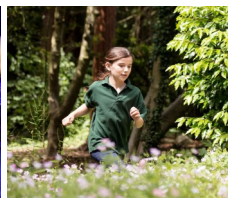




RYDES HILL

PREPARATORY SCHOOL & NURSERY

NEWSLETTER: Fri 19th March, 2021



Dear Parents

CHANGES TO LUNCH SERVICE

As we move to a more 'normal' world, after Easter we will return to buffet service for the children at lunchtimes. This will mean that children can select the food that they would like. Rather than a full salad bar, children will be able to choose pots of crudites with their meal and bread and soup will return as an option for those who would like it. Children will still eat in their 'bubbles' and plates will be cleared for them to avoid children walking around the dining hall. We would like to continue the ParentMail forms where parents give a preference for the meal their child will be served. This has significantly reduced the amount of wastage each day, and we would like to keep wastage to a minimum. The choice you make on the form will give an indication to the kitchen of what to cook, but there will still be choice for children on the day.

FRHPS

This has been a challenging year for the FRHPS, but our wonderful committee have managed to carry on and support our School with their hard work. Our three co-chairs are coming to the end of their term of office and we already have two volunteers who have kindly stepped up to take over next year. It would be helpful to have a third co-chair, so if there is anyone willing to help, or if you would like more information, please speak to Mrs Fry, Mrs Khaldi, Mrs Walker or me. There is also a vacancy for a treasurer and an extra pair of hands is needed for the Uniform Shop, so if you are interested in either of these roles, please do let the committee know. There is full support and handover available!

PARENTS' FORUM MEETING

The meeting for the Summer term will take place on Tuesday 20th April at 2pm. The focus of the meeting will be to introduce the Sex and Relationships Education (SRE) curriculum that is taught across the School in the Summer term. For the vast majority of the School, the emphasis is most definitely on relationships, with the focus on understanding that we are all unique and special, understanding families, friendships and loving relationships. In Higher Prep, puberty is taught and in Form One the girls are taught about creating new life. The programme we use is called 'Journey in Love' and it is one of the approved programmes for use in this Diocese. There will be more detail given at the meeting, along with an outline to changes in legislation relating to SRE and how this is being addressed in School. Parents of Form One pupils will also receive a separate letter about the content of their curriculum before the lessons begin in the summer term. If anyone has any questions or concerns ahead of the meeting, please do not hesitate to ask me.

TRANSITION TO SENIOR SCHOOL

There will be a meeting after Easter for parents of children in Higher Prep to talk through the process of applying to Senior School, what we have learnt from the changes that took place this year, as well as a discussion about scholarships and how Rydes Hill can help to support the application process. Details will be sent out shortly via ParentMail.

FOND FAREWELL

Today we say a very fond farewell to Ms Torlesse as she moves on to her role as Head of Admissions at Claremont Fan Court School. We have been blessed to have Ms Torlesse as a Marketing Officer and her photography skills in particular have helped capture so many wonderful moments of School life at Rydes Hill. I would like to thank her for all she has achieved over the past three years and wish her every success and happiness in her new role. Whilst Ms Torlesse's shoes will be very hard to fill, we think we have found a very good fit in Mrs Brooks, who will start at Rydes Hill after Easter. We look forward to welcoming her to our Rydes Hill family.

LENTEN FUNDRAISING

Thank you to everyone who donated money to Comic Relief today as part of our Lenten Fundraising. Our second charity is CAFOD and if your child has been doing small jobs around the house in exchange for coins for CADOD, please can you send these into School to be given to your child's teacher next week. As the final part of our fundraising, we will be running an Easter Egg raffle which will be drawn on Friday. Tickets will be on sale from your child's class teacher at 20p per ticket. The prizes have been donated by the staff and all money raised will go to CAFOD.

Mrs Norville



Silver Awards this week

YEAR GROUP	EXCELLENT WORK	EXCELLENT CONDUCT
Nursery	Christina	Ava
Kindergarten	Annabelle	Lexi
Lower Trans	Alex	Kiana
Upper Trans	Thea	Tito
Lower Prep	Amelia	Juliette
Middle Prep	Eliana	Ching Yee
Higher Prep	Kara	Lily
Form One	Kristen	Lizzie

Special Awards this week

Music Award: The whole of Kindergarten for the positive way they all interact on Zoom and for bravely singing on their own so beautifully.

Science Award: Megan (KG) for excellent skills in exploring the environment.

Drama Award: Amelia (LP) for preparing so well for her next drama exam.

PE Award: Amelia (LP) for excellent effort all-round in PE

French Award: Tillie (F1) for her excellent work, participation in class and spontaneous kindness towards her classmates. She has been a great help in lessons by volunteering to hand in papers, participating actively and supporting her peers.

Special Award: Harri (UT) for his successful audition for a Probationary Choristership at the Guildford Cathedral

Happy Birthday!

19th March	Tia A
22nd March	Kavi K
23rd March	Mia L
27th March	Megan D

House Points for this week

CAMPION	GERALD	PATRICIA	PETER
42	30	20	27



Double Donation Week is back! Raise twice as much for FRHPS when you shop online using #easyfundraising. John Lewis & Partners, Argos, notonthehighstreet and more are doubling donations until 21st March. Right now, every donation makes a difference! Shop now: <http://efraising.org/SkGu0wxIGI>



Click here to view this week's 'The Wednesday Word': <https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/follow?pid=MTA101634&v=22.3>

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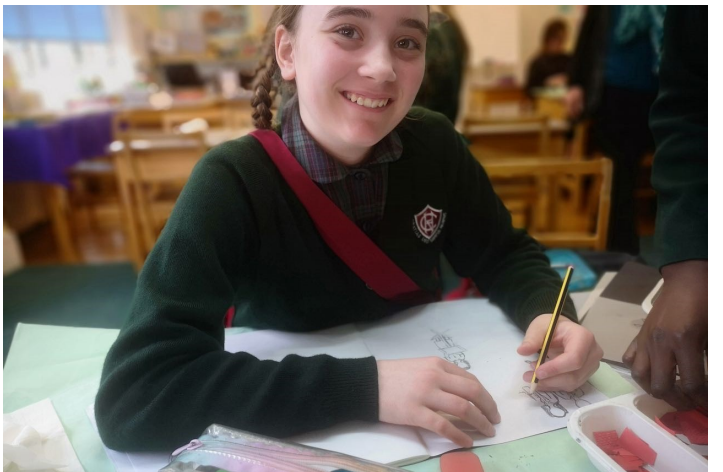
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Founders Day Activities



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Lower Trans re-enacting when Jesus travelled to Jerusalem



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A reminder of Easter Clubs

Date	Club or Class	Time	Open to:
Monday 29 th March	Happy Smiles	9am – 3pm	Kindergarten – Form One
Tuesday 30 th March	Netball Camp	9am – 4pm	Lower Prep – Form One
Tuesday 30 th March	Forest School	9am – 4pm	Kindergarten – Upper Trans
Wednesday 31 st March	Forest School	9am – 4pm	Kindergarten – Upper Trans
Wednesday 31 st March	Netball Camp	9am – 4pm	Lower Prep – Form One
Wednesday 31 st March	Ballet catch up classes (45 mins)	Various times	Kindergarten – Form One
Thursday 1 st April	Multi-Skills Camp	9am – 4pm	Kindergarten - Upper Trans
Thursday 1 st April	Forest School	9am – 4pm	Lower Prep – Form One
Tuesday 6 th April	Happy Smiles	9am – 3pm	Kindergarten – Form One and any children in Nursery who are already 4
Wednesday 7 th April	Happy Smiles	9am – 3pm	Kindergarten – Form One and any children in Nursery who are already 4
Wednesday 14 th April	Ballet catch up classes (45 mins)	Various times	Kindergarten – Form One

