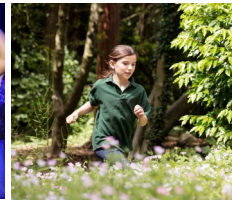




RYDES HILL

PREPARATORY SCHOOL & NURSERY

NEWSLETTER: Fri 22nd March 2024



Dear Parents

EASTER REFLECTION

Thank you very much to Higher Preparatory for their wonderful and reflective Easter Assembly today. This has given us much food for thought as we enter Holy Week. Thank you to Miss Boyle for her hard work in preparing the girls and to all of Higher Preparatory for their superb Assembly.

PARENTS' FORUM MINUTES

The Minutes from this term's Forum meeting will go out today. The Governors have agreed to expand Nursery from September to include two Oaks classes. Please see the Parents' Forum Minutes for further details. Please do take the time to read them.

FRHPS QUIZ NIGHT

Tickets are now available for the annual FRHPS Quiz Night. This year we have an Olympic Theme. This is a great social occasion for parents across the School. Tickets are £20 to include a delicious chilli supper or £7 quiz only. Please book via <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DGNY>

UNLEASH YOUR DRIVE TRIP TO WORPLESDON GOLF CLUB

Our Monday 25 Rydes Hill girls had a wonderful trip to experience what a real Golf Club was like. The girls had a great time and their comments about how their sessions this term have increased their confidence, made them feel at peace, and generally improved their physical and mental health were wonderful to hear. Thank you to the Rydes Hill Staff who made it possible and all at Worplesdon Golf Club for their support of this initiative.

SUMMER UNIFORM

There was a slight error in last week's newsletter. When we return after Easter, children may wear either winter or summer uniform until 1st May, when summer uniform becomes compulsory.

ALUMNI NEWS

We do love sharing the news of our Alumni and there is something that I would like to share with you this week. Ex-Rydes Hill girl Charlotte Burnham, who is currently studying Medicine at Cardiff University, will be climbing Snowdon in the dark this summer, raising money for Cardiff University Cancer Research. If you are able to support her, please click [here](#).

GODALMING MUSIC FESTIVAL

Well done to all the girls who took part in the Godalming Music and Drama Festival last week. The girls had some amazing results including Hermione T (MP) who placed in all 5 categories she entered, gaining a 1st, 2nd, 2nd, 3rd & 3rd. Emma W (MP) was awarded the Newman Trophy in Recital Class up to Year 11 and the Ralph Truckle Cup in Recital Class up to Year 7. She also defended her Amsden Cup in the Solo Challenge Class. Well done girls!

ESSA SWIMMING GALA

Well done to Ella, Isabelle, Lakshana (F1) and Aoife (HP) who swam in the ESSA Gala at the Spectrum. We came 5th in Front Crawl heat and 4th in the Medley heat. We were 5th overall for the Medley and 6th overall for Front Crawl. Thank you to Mrs Morris for taking the girls and to Thea (HP) for being a last minute stand in who, despite not swimming, was a great support to her peers!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

We are in the process of preparing the Calendar of Events for next term. We wanted you to be aware of some key dates ahead of time:

Monday 8 th April	All Year Round Nursery return to School
Tuesday 16 th April	Main School and Term Time Nursery return to School—8am Coffee Morning
Friday 26 th April	FRHPS Quiz Night
Monday 6th May	Bank Holiday – School closed for all pupils
Friday 10 th May	FRHPS Film Night and Dance
Friday 24 th May	Inset day – Main School and Term Time Nursery closed. AYR Nursery remains open
Monday 27th May	Bank Holiday – School closed for all pupils
Tuesday 28th - Friday 31st May	Half Term – Main School and Term Time Nursery closed. AYR Nursery remains open
Wednesday 5 th June	Welcome evening for NEW Kindergarten parents (children starting Kindergarten in September 2024) 6.30pm
Tuesday 11 th June	Nursery Sports Day 9am Parents welcome to attend
Thursday 13 th June	Pre-Prep Sports' Day 9am Prep Sports' Day 1.30pm Parents welcome to attend
Thursday 27 th June	Summer Production 7pm
Friday 28 th June	Summer Production 7pm
Wednesday 3 rd July	11am Acorns Prize Giving (Parents welcome) 2pm Oaks Prize Giving (Parents welcome)
Thursday 4 th July	2pm Pre-Prep Prize Giving (Parents welcome) End of term (Term Time Nursery to Upper Trans)
Friday 5 th July	No morning school 2pm Prep Prize Giving (Lower Prep to Form One)

Mrs Norville

MESSAGE FROM FRHPS ABOUT OUR BAGS2SCHOOL INITIATIVE

We are pleased to announce that the Friends of Rydes Hill Preparatory School (FRHPS) has organized a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School to raise funds for food technology equipment.

Bag2School is the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 it has now paid out over £36,000,000.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for FRHPS, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. Not to mention raising awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

By getting involved in our Bag2School collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys.

Your child should have come home with a collection bag and all the information needed to take part. Simply combine your clear out with a school run, by leaving your donation in the Kindergarten covered area between **3.15pm Wednesday 24th April and 9am Thursday 25th April.**

If you fill the donation bag and still have more, then you can use any other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

For more information on the scheme: <http://uk.bag2school.com/>

Many thanks for your support, happy clearing!



House Netball 2024

This week has seen a busy week for PE at Rydes Hill culminating in a day of House Netball to end the season. **Thursday 21st March** saw our older girls in **Higher Prep and Form One** battling it out on the courts in a very competitive tournament before lunch. The sun came out and lots of parents arrived to support us, which was wonderful to see. The girls played brilliantly showing true House spirit and determination. The afternoon ended with a convincing win for **PATRICIA**.

Lower Prep and Middle Prep had their turn for House Netball in the afternoon and the girls were very excited (especially Lower Prep as it was their first House Tournament!). We had a fantastic turn out from their parents – thank you! There were many goals scored and the winning house was **PETER**.

Well done to **ALL** the girls for some fantastic Netball matches.

PE Department



ESSA Swimming Gala



Silver Awards this week

YEAR GROUP	EXCELLENT WORK	EXCELLENT CONDUCT
Nursery	Florence V	Steffi O
Kindergarten	Mia M & Isaac Y	Jack S & Oliver B
Lower Trans	Maeve W & Harry Y	Arlo A & Ruby V
Upper Trans	Sebastian W & Alan H	Charles B & Luna H
Lower Prep	Zeyi G & Leah Y	Frances N & Hannah C
Middle Prep	Fay H & Arya S	Izzy B-J & Lucy A-Z
Higher Prep	Kevina L & Thea K	Violet-Mae N & Alayna K
Form One	Emily B	Lakshana D

Special Awards this week

Computing Award: Jack S (KG) for independent work and doing well in coding.

Science Award: James McG (LT) for lovely independent work observing materials.

Everyone for working so hard during Science Week.

RE Award: Isabelle C (LT) for superb effort and focus in our retelling of The Last Supper.

Forest School Award: All of Kindergarten for their superb work!

Music Award: Annabel S (LP) for excellent progress on the piano.

All those who played and sang in the concert last week.

PE Award: Miloslava M (F1) for such a vast improvement in her Netball and understanding of the game.

Moayed E (UT) for his fantastic defending skills in Netball.

French Award: Freya B (F1) for constant efforts and fantastic results in her test.

Fenella L (LP) for her amazing French.

Ballet Award: Violet-Mae N (HP) for trying really hard with her exam work.

Lillian C (MP) for making a great start to ballet this term.

Special Award: Emily B (F1) for her excellent organisation of Rydes Hill's Got Talent.

Violet-Mae N (HP) for outstanding bravery in her ballet exam.

Kindness Award: Aoife M (LT) for her kindness and help towards one of her class mates during Art.

Phoebe C (LT) for spending 2 hours drawing each of her class a personalised picture!

Happy Birthday!

27th March	Megan D
31st March	Jessica F
31st March	Lexi K
1st April	Sienna M
10th April	Amelia W-C



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

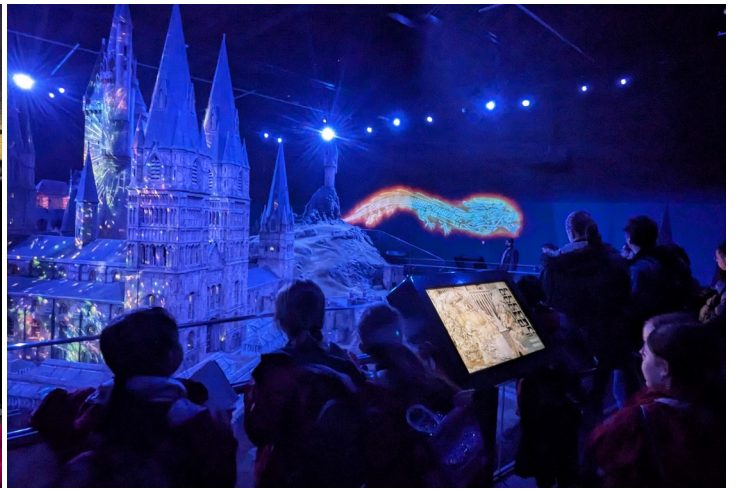
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Higher Prep'aratory's Easter Assembly



Lower and Middle Preparatory trip to Harry Potter Studios



Upper & Lower Transition Forest School Workshop



Upper Transition - Fire Of London





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WORPLESDON YOUNG MUSICIAN COMPETITION 2024 FINAL



Worplesdon's Young Musicians with Charity Holden, Partner at Seymours

On Saturday 16th March, St Alban's Church in Wood Street was packed to hear the 11 young finalists in the second Worplesdon Young Musicians Competition perform in front of our adjudicator Dr Amy Bebbington and a capacity crowd. In addition, the 2023 Worplesdon Young Musician, Leah Yan, impressed the audience with a piano recital during the interval.

The 11 performers, whose ages ranged from 6-16 entertained the audience with a variety of instruments from guitar to violin, saxophone to piano, clarinet to voice and drums to trombone.

The overall standard was again extremely high as everybody was playing at *British and International Festival Federation* 'Distinction' standard level (performances which were technically and artistically excellent). The winners were

OVERALL WINNER - CONNIE FRITH

aged 13 who played on the piano, *Debussy's Doctor Gradus ad Parnassum* and on the trombone, *Bach's Arioso*



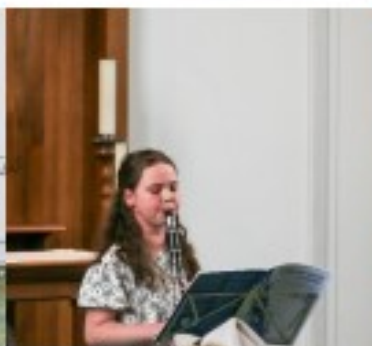
AGE GROUPS

6-8: **Evangeline Hannah**, aged 8 who played on the piano: *Giuseppe Valentin's Daydream*

9-11: **Emily Busby** aged 10 who played the clarinet: *Mike Mower's Sambossa.*

12-16: **Oliver James** aged 15 who played the drums: *Foo Fighter's Rope.*

OVERALL WINNER Connie Frith



AGE GROUP WINNERS

Evangeline Hannah

Emily Busby

Oliver James

The winners each received a glass trophy, a winner certificate and an Amazon voucher for £100 (overall winner) and £50 (age winner) which were presented by Charity Holden, a Partner from the competition's sponsor, Seymours Estate Agents.

John McLean, Chair of the Competition commented 'We were again amazed by the brilliant standard of all of the Worpleston Young Musicians and look forward to next year's Competition on **29th March 2025** when it again can be said that

Worpleston has Talent'

If you are interested in the 2025 Competition, please email Churchoffice@worplestonparish.com to register your interest or contact John McLean on 07768 031454 or mcleanjnm@aol.com

www.worplestonparish.com



**Thursday 11th & Friday 12th April
2024**



RYDES HILL SCHOOL

Mrs Bowles & Mrs Luscombe

Time: 9am - 4pm

£45 one day or £80 for both days

What to bring:

- Plenty of water, nut free snacks and packed lunch.
- Full school PE kit, no jewellery and hair tied back.

EASTER NETBALL CAMP

My child would like to attend the Easter Netball Camp
on (please tick)

Thursday 11th April

Friday 12th April

Emergency contact name and number on the day

.....
Any allergies and/or medical conditions we need to be aware of?

.....
Signed Name

Payment by BACS or CASH only please

A/C Name: Mrs L Luscombe

Sort Code: 40-22-26

A/C Number: 31820125

EASTER TRAIL WORKSHOP

24th March 2024

2pm - 4pm

Children's Activities & Crafts

Free Refreshments

St. Mary's Church

Worplesdon

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Get ready to learn some fun, upbeat dance routines, whilst improving fitness, coordination and confidence.

Available to Lower Prep – Form 1

2 x 45 min class every Wednesday

1st Class :3-30-4.15pm

2nd Class : 4.15 – 5:00 pm

Starts : Wednesday 17th April

Wear comfy clothes (gym uniform or similar)

Payment details:

Acc: 90115843

Sort: 20-29-50

Mr B R Beard

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✓ Affordable Price

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Per term

10 classes in the upcoming summer term