

PREPARATORY SCHOOL & NURSERY NEWSLETTER: Fri 22nd November, 2019

YDES HILL



Dear Parents

TERM DATES 2020/21

The following are the confirmed term dates for the next academic year:

3 rd & 4 th September	INSET Days
Monday 7 th September	Children return to School
19th – 30 th October	Half term
Friday 11 th December	School closes for Christmas holidays
Thursday 7 th January	Children return to School
Friday 12 th February	INSET Day
15 th – 19 th February	Half term
Friday 26 th March	School closes for Easter holidays
Friday 16 th April	INSET Day
Monday 19 th April	Children return to School
31 st May – 4 th June	Half term
Thursday 8 th July	End of term for term time Nursery, Kindergarten, Lower and Upper Transition
Friday 9 th July	End of term for Lower Prep-Form One

2020/21 closing dates for All Year-Round Nursery

17 th – 31 st August	Nursery closed for Summer	
Friday 4 th September	Nursery closed for INSET Day	
23 rd December – 1 st January	Nursery closed for Christmas	
2 nd – 12 th April	Nursery closed for Easter	
23 rd – 31 st August Nursery closed for Summer 2021		

CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING

Thank you to those of you who have already returned your fundraising envelopes for the Reindeer Run on Monday. There is still time if you would like to donate towards Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice. There are spare sponsorship envelopes in the School Office if you do not have one.

The other charity we are supporting this Advent is the Catholic Children's Society Crisis Fund. All retiring collections from the performances this Christmas will be donated to them. The staff will also be running a bake sale on Monday 9th December after School in aid of this appeal. Thank you for your generosity and support.

NURSERY NATIVITY

The Nursery Nativity takes place next Friday 29th November at 11am. Parents are asked to wait by the white picket fence next to Kindergarten. Doors will open at 10.45am. A Grandparent has very kindly volunteered to record the performance and we will make copies available to parents. The hall will be very full so do please move along each row and fill up all the seats so that those coming in later will be able to easily find spaces. Thank you.

CAKES FOR THE CHRISTMAS FAIR

We are starting an annual tradition this year to have an Alumni cake stall at the Christmas Fair. Whilst we have found Alumni volunteers to run the stall, we would love for you all to bring some cakes in to sell at the cake stall please.



KINDERGARTEN PLAYGROUND

Please can parents who wait with their children in the Kindergarten playground at the end of the day ensure that their children do not get any of the toys from the house / bikes / building blocks /Connect 4 out to play with. Staff put these away at the end of the day to ensure the area is clear. By the time they go home, it is too dark to check the playground and we have on two occasions not seen that there are toys left out. This has resulted in the early morning delivery driver tripping over the items left out. Last week a wonderfully elaborate fort had been built right in front of the door, which caused a bit of a problem in the early morning when the delivery driver tripped over it!

U9 'A' AND 'B' NETBALL MATCH V GUILDFORD HIGH SCHOOL

On Thursday 21st November the U9's played in their first netball match against Guildford High School and what an incredible afternoon of netball it was for our girls! We played a long match but swapped the girls positions every break to allow for a versatile game. This pushed all of the girls and they rose to the challenge.

We had some fast paced and exciting games with the girls playing brilliantly, putting into practise all the skills they have been taught this term. The 'A' team took the lead after a few minutes and had a fantastic win resulting in a final score of **10-2** with Maryam M being awarded player of the match for her fantastic all round skills.

The 'B' team had an equally successful game winning **10-0** with Maya K being awarded player of the match for her consistent shooting.

We are so proud of the girls and it was lovely to come back to school with smiles on their faces! It was great to see so many Rydes Hill parents and we would like to say a huge thank you.

PE Department







27th November	Isobel R
28th November	Evie M
29th November	Kate M
1st December	Natalie S
1st December	Isabel L

House Points for this week				
CAMPION	GERALD	PATRICIA	PETER	
157 140		137	151	

Diary dates for next week			
Wed 27th Nov	Final Ballet Lessons		
Thurs 28th Nov	U9 and U10 Netball v Tormead at Home		
Fri 29th Nov	8.30am: Coffee morning for Lower and Middle Preparatory parents		
Friday 29th Nov	Nov 11am : Nursery Nativity		

easyfundraising feel good shopping

Start your Christmas shopping and raise money for FRHPS at the same time with double donations at #easyfundraising this week! It's such an easy way to support us so please take a look. Visit: http://efraising.org/pahXqjhzVq



Silver Awards this week			Special Awards this week	
YEAR GROUP	EXCELLENT WORK	EXCELLENT CONDUCT	Music Award: Sophia J (LP) for excellent progress and really hard work at her piano.	
Nursery	Zoe S	Valentin	Ballet Award: Imani T (LP) for dedication.	
Kindergarten	Annabelle S	Serenna P	Science Award: Maryam M (MP) for her practical work in electricity.	
ower Trans	Ruby B	Jai S	, RE Award: Jonah A (LT) for his love of RE and for his willingnes	
Jpper Trans	Mehvish Y	Tilly W	to share his own thoughts and ideas with the rest of the class.	
ower Prep	Ruby B	Aurelia P	PE Award: Ayesha Y (F1) for a lovely shooting technique.	
Middle Prep	Beth N	Bridget K	Special Award: Daisy P (HP) for a wonderful participation a	
Higher Prep	lzzy L	Angel L	knowledge of the past tense.	
Form One	Inês R	Scarlett T	Kindness Award: Astrid K (UT) for kindness towards a child LT.	

Phyllis Tuckwell Reindeer Run!



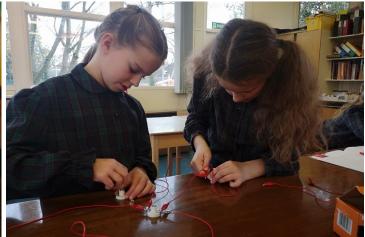


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Science at Rydes Hill





















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Holiday Clubs Update

Christmas Holidays

CODE CAMP

Code Camp returns to Rydes Hill this Christmas Holiday from Monday 16th to Wednesday 18th December (3 day program) at a cost of £229 per child. The day runs from 8.30am to 4pm and there will be two classes running: Spark for first time students and Ignite for returning students.

You can book online at <u>www.codecamp.co.uk/rydeshill</u> or contact <u>hello@codecamp.co.uk</u> with any questions.

HAPPY SMILES

Mrs Smillie and Miss Hobson will be running the 'Happy Smiles' club on Friday 20th December from 9am to 4pm. It will be fun-filled day with festive arts and crafts, cooking, Christmas karaoke and a disco! All children from Kindergarten to Form One are welcome to attend. A booking form will be available in the School Office from early next week.

February Half Term

SYNERGY DANCE

Following the popularity of Synergy Dance during the recent half term, they will be returning to Rydes Hill during February half term on Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th February. Monday's theme is 'Frozen' and Tuesday's theme is 'The Secret Life of Pets'.

The cost per day is £37.50 excluding lunch and booking will be available soon via ParentMail.

FOREST SCHOOL

The wonderful Forest School with Mrs Morris will be returning on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th February at a cost of £42.50 per day (9am—4pm) including lunch. Booking will be available soon via ParentMail.



Easter Holidays

NETBALL CAMP

We would like to give advance notice that Mrs Bowles and Mrs Luscombe will be running three Netball Camp days over the Easter holidays for children in Upper Transition to Form One on the following dates:

Thursday 2nd April Monday 20th April Tuesday 21st April

The camps will run from 9am to 4pm and the cost is £45 per day, £80 for 2 days or £120 for 3 days with the option for a 10% sibling discount.





