



RYDES HILL

PREPARATORY SCHOOL & NURSERY

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Dear Parents

AMAZING FORM ONE

After a great deal of hard work, our Form One girls have now received all their results back from the Senior Schools. We have a fantastic set of results this year; 2 offers at Guildford High School (1 Exhibition), 8 offers at St Catherine's (3 Music Awards), 9 offers at Tormead (1 Academic Scholarship, 1 Music Scholarship), 2 offers at Prior's Field (1 Drama Scholarship) and 3 offers at Farnborough Hill. There are still some girls waiting to hear about State Schools and London Schools. All the girls, regardless of results, have worked incredibly hard and should feel very proud. Thank you to all the teachers who have taught current Form One, and well done to their parents for supporting them throughout the process.

NETBALL SUCCESS

Well done to all the Higher Preparatory girls who played in our annual Netball Tournament on Saturday. Mrs Bowles has written a full report later in this newsletter, but I wanted to thank everyone who came on Saturday, for helping to make it such a fantastic event. We have received wonderful feedback from the other schools who attended. Thank you to Chef Dan, Chef Dom and Teresa for the refreshments and special thanks to Mrs Bowles and Mrs Luscombe for all their work in organising the Tournament.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 2nd March is World Book Day. We haven't had a dressing-up day for a number of years so have decided to have one this year. All children, from Nursery to Form One, are invited to dress-up as a book character, using the following as a guide:

1. Costumes should ideally be clothes that you already have at home. Far better to spend money on an actual book than a costume. It doesn't have to be a full costume—a prop or hat would be just as good as a full costume. Prizes will be given for the most ingenious / simple but effective costumes.
2. Characters should be actual book characters, not characters from a film or TV programme.
3. Children should dress as a character from a book that they have recently read or are reading – no Harry Potters in Nursery or Mr Men in Form One!
4. World Book Day is all about promoting reading and a love of books. If your character isn't instantly recognisable, that's not a bad thing – it sparks a conversation about who that character is and why that book is worth reading.
5. World Book Day costumes should not be stressful for parents – there are plenty of characters who wear ordinary, everyday clothes. Your child just needs to know who that character is, and be able to talk about them.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Parent teacher meetings take place next week. Thank you to everyone who has booked online. The appointments will take place in your child's classroom (with the exception of Upper Transition appointments on Monday afternoon, which will take place in the computer suite). Books will be available for you to look at. The appointments are all 10 minutes and a bell will ring or a timer will go off after the time has elapsed. This will then give time to round up the conversation and swap over so that each parent gets their allocated time. As we do keep to time, please be aware that if you arrive late, you may not be able to be seen.

Mrs Norville

Rydes Hill U10 Netball Tournament 2023

On Saturday 28th January 2023 Rydes Hill organised and hosted their annual U10 Invitational Netball Tournament. The last time we were able to host this event was 2020 so it was **AMAZING** to open our doors (and courts!) to everyone again.

This year we had over 60 girls participating from 7 different schools in 8 teams, and the weather stayed fine for the whole tournament! We had so many spectators this year coming to support and watch the girls play and the School was buzzing with excitement. Our girls played some fantastic Netball throughout the morning and were pushed and challenged to work as a team to achieve their best.

Chef Dan provided some welcome bacon rolls and hot drinks for spectators and players throughout the morning, and thanks to Chef Don for the lovely brownies and cookies.

Medals were awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place and all schools went away with participation certificates and smiles on their faces!

The results were as follows;

1st	Halstead
2nd	Rydes Hill 'A'
3rd	Tormead
4th	Rydes Hill 'B'
5th	QE
6th	Holy Trinity
7th	Notre Dame
8th	St Thomas of Canterbury


We would like to say a special "thank you" to everyone involved in making this Tournament possible. A HUGE thank you to all the parents for supporting not only the girls, but also us as a PE Department - you created a lovely atmosphere for everyone. Thank you!

Mrs Bowles, Mrs Luscombe and Mrs Morris

(photos from the Tournament may be seen on page 4 of this Newsletter)



Silver Awards this week			Special Awards this week	
YEAR GROUP	EXCELLENT WORK	EXCELLENT CONDUCT	PE Award: Flossy D (F1) for showing real improvement and progress in Gymnastics recently.	
Nursery	Henrietta E	Arlo C	Science Award: Hermione T (LP) for her careful observation of rocks.	
Kindergarten	Grace B	Ruby V	Computing Award: Alana W (HP) for super coding.	
Lower Trans	Alan H	Luna H	Music Award: Violet-Mae N (MP) for excellent work in music.	
Upper Trans	Fenella L	Archie C	RE Award: Ella W (HP) for excellent writing on Moses parting the Red Sea.	
Lower Prep	Ajalet B	Kiana A	Forest School Award: The whole of Lower Transition for being excellent explorers. For finding a dead mouse and helping others learn about the life cycle.	
Middle Prep	Tito B	Ruby S	Ballet Award: Soraya S (F1) for successfully auditioning for Surrey South Ballet Associates & English South Ballet.	
Higher Prep	Jaime P	Alana W	Drama Award: Vera V-N (F1) for making a really good start to drama.	
Form One	Soraya S	Mary K	Kindness Award: Bella M (UT) for looking out for her friends showing maturity and warmth.	



Click here to view this week's 'The Wednesday Word':
<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/happiness?pid=MTA101634&v=40.3>

House Points for this week			
CAMPION	GERALD	PATRICIA	PETER
151	77	87	116

Happy Birthday!

5th February

Kiana A

Diary dates for next week	
Mon 6th February	6pm - Repeat of 'Moving on to Senior School' meeting for Higher Preparatory parents. Upper Transition and Nursery Parent Consultations.
Tues 7th February	Bake Sale organised by Nursery after School. Parent Consultation Evening. U8 & U9 Netball Match v Halstead. 3pm start.
Weds 8th February	8am - Nursery Parent Consultations.
Thurs 9th February	Parent Consultation Evening.
Fri 10th February	8.30am - Coffee Morning for Lower & Upper Transition parents.
w/c 13th February	Half Term. School open to All Year Round Nursery children only.



Rydes Hill's U10 Netball Tournament



Fun in Toddler Time! this week



Form One's Bake Sale



Nursery Oaks Dress-Up Play

