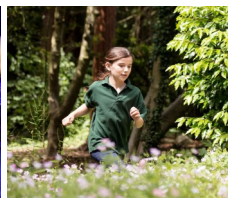




RYDES HILL

PREPARATORY SCHOOL & NURSERY

NEWSLETTER: Fri 7th May 2021



Dear Parents

CROWNING AND ASCENSION DAY

Thank you to everyone for their generous donations of plants at the Crowning of Our Lady today. The children will be planting and tending them so that our beautiful grounds can have even more colour and life in the coming weeks. Next week is Ascension Day, which is a Holy Day of Obligation. Children in the Prep Department will be joining Mass via the live stream from St Joseph's.

SAVE THE CHILDREN

Mahika, Ruby and Flossy in Middle Prep have taken on the Captain Sir Tom Moore 100 challenge to raise money for Save the Children campaign to support the COVID crisis in India. If you would like to help them meet their fundraising total, please visit <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/nivedita-misra> Well done girls for all your hard work!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

The calendar has a number of events listed for this month. Here is the update of what is happening and how we will ensure that we are keeping within the guidelines and being as COVID safe as possible:

Tuesday 11th May – FRHPS Committee Meeting 7.45pm via Zoom

Friday 14th May – Coffee morning for Lower Trans & Upper Trans Parents – POSTPONED UNTIL LATER IN THE TERM

Wednesday 19th May – Kindergarten 2021 transition meeting 6.30pm (for the parents of children starting Kindergarten in September). This will take place in the Friends Hall. One parent per child may attend, providing they wear a mask, and bring evidence of a negative Lateral Flow Device (LFD) test. Parents who do not wish to join in person may join via Zoom. Please email jacqui.oneill@rydeshill.com for joining instructions. Second hand uniform will be available at the meeting.

Friday 21st May – 8.30am Coffee morning for Lower Prep and Middle Prep parents. This will take place outside. If the weather is not co-operating, the event will be cancelled.

Wednesday 26th May – Speech and Drama exams Middle Prep, Higher Prep and Form One. Lower Prep and Upper Trans will take their exams next Half Term in June.

Thursday 27th May – Founder's Day Concert. This will be taking place providing the post 17th May guidance all goes ahead. Only Higher Prep and Form One will be taking part in the Concert this year to allow us to limit numbers. One parent per child will be able to attend in person, providing they wear a mask, and bring evidence of a negative Lateral Flow Device (LFD) test. The Concert will be broadcast via Zoom so that others may watch at home.

PARENTMAIL UPDATE

We wanted to let you know that the ParentMail app is now not sending alerts that a message has been received, only alerts on emails. Going forward any urgent or important messages will have "Urgent and Important" in the email heading.

SCHOOL REVIEW

We're very proud of the review we received from the Editor of Muddy Stilettoes in Surrey. The full review can be read [HERE](#) and we're working with Muddy Stilettoes to spread the word about our 'Small but Mighty' School.

Mrs Norville



Uniform Update

Dear all our loyal customers, parents, friends and little adults,

We've missed you!

At **Valentino Schoolwear** we know things continue to be very hard for many of us right now,

so, once again, we're ensuring our **Annual Discount Promotion** for 2021 is *bigger* and *better* than before and *available online* for our customers.



15% OFF All school uniform purchases: **21st – 29th May 2021**

Use discount code **MAY15** at the point of checkout

10% OFF All school uniform purchases: **30th May – 13th June 2021**

Use discount code **JUNE10** at the point of checkout

Returns: All items are subject to our normal returns policy. **Therefore, anything purchased now can be exchanged right up until schools open for the next school year.** These offers are available online and in store, by making an appointment (should we be able to open our doors before the end of the promotional period). Not to be used in conjunction with any other offers.

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Books for our School!



The big prize draw is back again! We could **win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for our School's library**, enough to buy hundreds of new books and encourage our children to read for pleasure – and if your entry is picked, you'll also **get £100 of National Book Tokens to spend on yourself!**

The more nominations for our school, the higher our chance of winning. Nominate Rydes Hill **HERE**



Special Awards this week

Music Award: Theo A (KG) for beautiful singing and fantastic participation in music.

Science Award: Natalie S (MP) for her careful research into animals in a woodland habitat.

Drama Award: Emily P (UT) for excellent preparation towards her examination.

PE Award: Alana W (LP) for great bowling skills in Cricket.

RE Award: Zoe S (KG) for her amazing knowledge and understanding.

Ballet Award: Emily P (UT) for beautiful work and consistent hard work.

Special Award: Stephanie B (LT) for working so hard on her maths learning both at school and at home.

Silver Awards this week

YEAR GROUP	EXCELLENT WORK	EXCELLENT CONDUCT
Nursery	Olivia H	Luna H
Kindergarten	Tia A	Fenella L
Lower Trans	Mia Z	Miru O
Upper Trans	Violet Mae N	Emily P
Lower Prep	Stephanie I	Alana W
Middle Prep	Lucinda F	Eliana O
Higher Prep	Felicity F	Kara B
Form One	Mia L	Katie B



If you're planning to book a staycation soon, remember to use #easyfundraising and raise a donation for Friends of Rydes Hill Preparatory School at the same time. Secret Escapes, Travelodge, Expedia and many more are all giving FREE donations when you book. Browse deals: <http://efraising.org/4MTuCdWdtq>

Happy Birthday!

2nd May	Maeve W
6th May	Cara M
9th May	Ava M
9th May	Angel L

Toddler Time is back!

Come and join us for
Forest School!

Every Thursday 9.30am—10.30am

For 18 months - 4 year olds

Book early to avoid disappointment at:

<https://www.rydeshill.com/nursery/toddler-time-sessions>

House Points for this week

CAMPION	GERALD	PATRICIA	PETER
92	84	105	100



Good News for Families

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

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/love?pid=MTA101634&v=26.7>



'Crowning of Our Lady'



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Form One Long Jump



Save the Children fundraisers!



Mahika's 100 D Minor on the Violin - Ruby's 100 netball goals - Flossy bouncing 100 times on the trampoline