



# RYDES HILL

PREPARATORY SCHOOL & NURSERY

NEWSLETTER: Fri 9th June 2023



Dear Parents

## CONGRATULATIONS MR & MRS CROSS

We would like to congratulate Miss Smart (now Mrs Cross!) who got married during half term. It was lovely that so many of Lower Transition were able to go and celebrate with her at the Church. We wish Mr and Mrs Cross a very happy married life together.

## TICKETS FOR THE SUMMER PRODUCTION

Tickets for the Summer Production will be available to book (free of charge) in the coming week. Booking for Form One is now open. Higher Preparatory and Middle Preparatory can book from 6pm on Monday 12th June, when a booking link will be sent to parents. Please be aware, due to the nature of the set and how scenery is being used, some seats will have a restricted view. Please refer to the seating plan that will be sent with the booking link to make sure you are not disappointed with the seat you have selected. It would also be useful to ask your daughter where she spends most of her time on the stage, so that you can select a seat that will give you the best vantage point!



## JOINT CONCERT WITH ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

We are pleased to be hosting a joint Music Concert with St Joseph's School again this year on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 6.30pm (refreshments served from 6pm). We will be operating a booking system for tickets as we reached capacity last year! The link for booking is <https://www.trybooking.co.uk/CLXP> and it goes live on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm. Parents may book two tickets.

## SPORTS DAYS

The highlight of our sporting year takes place next week. The details are as follows:

Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June Nursery Sports Day	Prompt start at 9.30am. Parents are welcome to attend. Children should wear School polo shirts and shorts / leggings / jogging bottoms and trainers. Please apply sun cream to your child and provide a hat. Parents wishing to take part in the parent race should dress appropriately! Refreshments will be served from 9.15am.
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June Kindergarten, Lower Transition and Upper Transition Sports Day	Prompt start at 1.30pm. Parents are welcome to attend. Children should come to School in PE kit. They will be given a House coloured t-shirt. Please apply sun cream to your child and provide a hat. Children may bring a SMALL mascot. Parents are encouraged to wear House Colours and those wishing to take part in the parent race should dress appropriately! Refreshments will be served from 1.30pm
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June Lower Preparatory, Middle Preparatory, Higher Preparatory and Form One Sports Day	Prompt start at 1.30pm. Parents are welcome to attend. Children should come to School in PE kit. They will be given a House coloured t-shirt. Please apply sun cream to your child and provide a hat. Children may bring a SMALL mascot. Parents are encouraged to wear House colours and those wishing to take part in the parent race should dress appropriately! Refreshments will be served from 1.30pm

## SUMMER FAIR

The countdown to the Summer Fair is on! Next Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June is a Mufti (own clothes) day in exchange for a bottle for the 'wheelbarrow of wine' raffle. Please think about the sort of drinks you would like to win in the raffle and send something that fits this criteria in for your donation! Thank you. The Fair takes place on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June, from 3pm to 5pm. Please complete the form on ParentMail regarding food choices.



## **SPEECH & DRAMA EXAM SUCCESS**

Congratulations to all those who took Speech & Drama exams recently. Our 100% distinction rate remains intact! The examiner was incredibly complementary about the Rydes Hill pupils and all their hard work in preparing for the exam.

## **COFFEE MORNING WITH GOVERNORS**

Mrs Katie Cardona, Chair of Governors, and Mr Martyn Kearney, Chair of Finance, will be attending the Parent Coffee morning on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. They are open to conversations and questions parents may have on School fees, VAT on fees or any other issues that you would like to discuss with them.

## **HAPPY SMILES SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB**

We are delighted to announce Happy Smiles Holiday Club will be running for a whole week during the summer holidays, from Monday 10th July to Friday 14th July. Happy Smiles is open to all children from Kindergarten to Form One. The length of the day at Happy Smiles has been extended to better accommodate parents; from now on the Club will run from 9am to 4pm every day. To book your child a space, please complete a booking form or contact Mrs Smillie at [sarah.smillie@rydeshill.com](mailto:sarah.smillie@rydeshill.com).

## **PARENT SURVEY**

If you have not yet completed the Parent Survey, please can you do this ASAP. The link has been re-sent via ParentMail. It would be lovely to get as much feedback as possible.

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY ELOISE**

All birthdays are special, but this week we celebrated a particularly special one! Eloise in Acorns celebrated her 4<sup>th</sup> birthday, which was a huge milestone. Eloise was diagnosed with a very rare brain tumour at 18 months old and given a 10-20% chance of surviving. Due to pioneering surgery, the tenacity of her parents and medical team to get the best possible follow up treatment and the sheer determination of Eloise and her family, the tumour was removed, and she has shown no evidence of disease for two years. At the time of diagnosis, it was thought that she would not reach her 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday. If she could reach her 4<sup>th</sup> birthday, her chances would rise to 90%. This week has definitely been a cause for huge celebration! We were very pleased to host Eloise's party at School on Sunday, and I would like to thank all our School Family for coming together to help this very special and inspirational little girl celebrate a monumental milestone.



Mrs Norville

Silver Awards this week			Special Awards this week	
YEAR GROUP	EXCELLENT WORK	EXCELLENT CONDUCT	<b>Science Award:</b> Frances N (UT) for her beautiful observational drawing of a plant.	
Nursery	Adam A	Khadija H	<b>RE Award:</b> Ella W (HP) for a beautiful poem on Coming of Holy Spirit.	
Kindergarten	Edward F	Lyra F	<b>Computing Award:</b> Evie H (UT) for super downloading and upload skills using the ipad.	
Lower Trans	Alan H	Clara N	<b>Music Award:</b> Mehvish Y (HP) for her commitment in all areas of music.	
Upper Trans	Sum Yee C	Archie C	<b>PE Award:</b> Archie C (UT) for his amazing cricket skills.	
Lower Prep	Serenna P	Stephanie B	<b>Ballet Award:</b> Evey S (LT) for beautiful work.	
Middle Prep	Violet-Mae N	Lois H	<b>Drama Award:</b> Maria R (F1) for her fantastic help during the rehearsals.	
Higher Prep	Amelia W-C	Freya B	<b>Kindness Award:</b> Luna H (LT) for kindness to her friend when she was upset.	
Form One	Natalie S	Mahika M	<b>Special Award:</b> Lois H (MP) for settling into RH so well.	

### Diary dates for next week

<b>Tues 13th June</b>	9.30am - Nursery Sports Day 1.30pm - Kindergarten, Lower Trans and Upper Trans Sports Day Ice Cream Sale after School (run by Nursery, open for all children)
<b>Weds 14th June</b>	Mufti (own clothes) day in exchange for a bottle. 3.30pm - 4.30pm Open Classrooms. Come in with your child to see their books and the class displays. (Not Higher Prep)
<b>Thurs 15th June</b>	1.30pm - Lower Prep, Middle Prep, Higher Prep and Form One Sports Day. 3.30pm - 4.30pm Open Classroom for Higher Prep.
<b>Fri 16th June</b>	Nursery trip to Fisher's Farm.
<b>Sat 17th June</b>	3pm - 5pm Summer Fair.

House Points for this week			
CAMPION	GERALD	PATRICIA	PETER
160	126	134	123



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

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/happiness?pid=MTA101634&v=40.3>

## Happy Birthday!

5th June	Amelia L
6th June	Eloise L
8th June	Vera V-N
9th June	Henrietta E
10th June	Stephanie I





*Some Form One girls enjoying the Retreat Day at Wintershall*



*Amazing Speech & Drama results from Victoria College Drama Board*



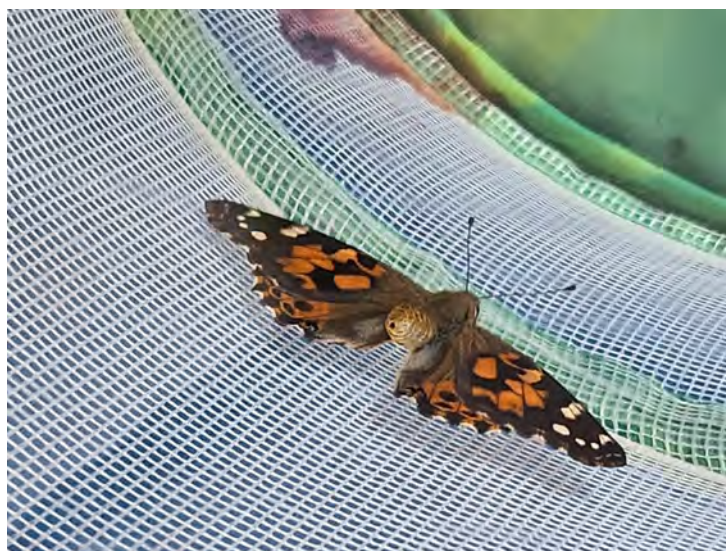


*Form One's water activities day at Hawley Lake*





*Kindergarten releasing their butterflies*





*Lower Preparatory making clay pots for their study on Ancient Greece*





*Mufti Day for World Environment Day*

