



Rushden Academy Newsletter

Aspire, Explore, Succeed

11/11/2022

Message From the Principal



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Team Rushden - United we stand, divided we fall

Dear Parent / Carer

As always, it has been a busy week at Rushden Academy and there is lots to share with you all.

Firstly, we have had a renewed focus on ensuring the highest standards of uniform as well as encouraging students to ensure that they have all the mandatory equipment to be successful each day. The response to this has been overwhelmingly positive and I would like to thank you for supporting us in ensuring that any uniform issues are being addressed. Just in relation to false nails, there has been some confusion over whether these are allowed or not and just to clear this up I can confirm that false nails are not allowed in any way shape or form.

This week, It was Mr Middleton's turn to lead the assembly and he shared a heart-warming story about a traveller who brought a community together by teaching them the power of collective responsibility. Our students were encouraged to reflect on how working together can lead to a better community for all.

Mr Smith and Mr Smart, took a number of students to take part in a cross country competition in Wellingborough and I am delighted to share a number of successes. Firstly, Taylor from Year 7 finished 1st place overall which is a fantastic achievement. Elliot from Year 7 also had a great race finishing in fifth place overall. Finally, Austin from Year 8 finished fifth place whilst competing against the year above - again a phenomenal achievement.

Year 11 students started their mock examinations on Friday which will give them and us a good understanding of the progress they are making in relation to each of their individual subjects. It will also allow us to personalise the follow up lessons and resources to ensure that we are supporting all students to systematically close gaps in their knowledge and understanding.

Our Remembrance Day service on Friday was a truly special occasion with a large number of decorated war veterans in attendance to support the important proceedings. This follows assemblies delivered by Lynne Baker, our local liaison officer for the Royal British Legion, who was also in attendance with her husband and war veteran, Jake Baker. Our Head Girl Jess as well as Harry from Year 11 both delivered readings to all staff, students and veterans that had gathered for the service. The Last Post was played by our guest bugler to signal the start of a two minute silence which was observed by all as we remembered those who served, fought, and died, all for the cause of freedom.

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Message From the Principal Continued....

Looking ahead to next week, mock examinations will continue for Year 11 students and will finish the week after. Next Friday, 18th November, we are having a mufti-day for Children in Need and communication regarding this will go out to students during tutor times next week.

Have a pleasant weekend,

Yours sincerely,

Mr B Baines
Principal

Welcome to our
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This Week in MFL



Year 7

Our year 7s have made a great start to their studies, learning how to count all the way up to 100, the names of the days of the week and doing lots of work on French phonics to make sure their pronunciation is top notch!

This term we move onto learning the key nouns we need to talk about our families, and start with the key verb avoir in order to give our own and others' ages.

Knowledge Organiser: Unit 2 Ma famille et moi

Vocab for family members

la famille	family
la famille d'accueil	foster family
le (beau-)père	(step-)father
le grand-père	grandfather
le (demi-)frère	(half/step-)brother
le fils / la fille	son / daughter
la (belle-)mère	step-mother
la grand-mère	grandmother
la (demi-)sœur	(half/step-)sister
les parents	parents

Amé(e) = older
 Mon frère aîné – my older brother
 Ma sœur aînée – my older sister
 Cadet/cadette – younger

The subject pronouns and AVOIR

AVOIR - TO HAVE PRESENT TENSE

J'AI	I HAVE
TU AS	YOU HAVE
IL A	HE/IT HAS
ELLE A	SHE/IT HAS
ON A	WE HAVE
NOUS AVONS	WE HAVE
VOUS AVEZ	YOU HAVE
ILS ONT	THEY HAVE
ELLES ONT	THEY HAVE

Talking about age:

Unlike in English, where you say "I AM... + a certain age", in French you use the verb AVOIR to say "I HAVE ... x years".

J'ai onze ans = I am 11 years old
 Mon frère a douze ans = my brother is 12 years old
 Mes parents ont trente-cinq ans = my parents are 35 years old

The possessive adjectives

	Masculine Singular / Vowel or H	Feminine Singular	Plural (Masculine and Feminine)
MY	mon	ma	mes
YOUR	ton	ta	tes
HIS / HER	son	sa	ses

Pets
 Un chien – a dog
 Un chat – a cat
 Un lézard – a lizard
 Un lapin – a rabbit
 Un hamster – a hamster
 Un poisson rouge – a gold fish
 Un cochon d'Inde – a guinea pig

Definite and indefinite articles

Articles

English	Indefinite	Definite
A / An	Ø / some	The

French	Indefinite	Definite
Un	Des	Le / L' / Les
Une		La / L' / Les

Adjective agreement with colours

Remember: most adjectives, including colour, go AFTER the noun.
 E.g un stylo rouge = a red pen

un color	une couleur	des couleurs	des couleurs
jaune	jaune	jaunes	jaunes
rose	rose	roses	roses
orange	orange	orange	orange
bleu	bleu	bleus	bleues
vert	vert	verts	vertes
gris	gris	gris	gris
noir	noir	noirs	noires
violet	violet	violet	violettes
blanc	blanc	blancs	blanches
orange	orange	orange	orange
maron	maron	marons	marons

E.g Mes chiens = my dogs
 Son chat = his cat
 Ton hamster = your hamster

Key sounds this unit : ai ("ay") e.g J'ai = "jay" ; è ("air") e.g mère/père = "mair/pair" ; un (nasal) ; a ("à")

Idiom(s): Avoir peur = to be scared; avoir faim = to be hungry; avoir soif = to be thirsty. E.g J'ai faim, j'ai soif et j'ai peur = I'm hungry, I'm thirsty and I'm scared

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This Week in MFL

Year 8

This term sees year 8 finish off Unit 7 which covered all of their favourite sporting activities, and now we move on to something close to all of their hearts – the different things they do online or on their phones!

Our key grammar for the unit is forming and using the past tense, and our idiom is “Etre branché” – this literally means to be “plugged in” and is how the French talk about being trendy, up to speed or in the know!

Knowledge organiser: UNIT 8 Internet et portable																				
<p>Key verbs/online activities:</p> <p>Bloguer : to blog Ecouter de la musique : to listen to music Partager des photos/des vidéos : to share photos/videos Regarder des films : to watch films Jouer à des jeux vidéo : to play video games T chatter avec mes amis : to chat with my friends Poster des commentaires : to post comments</p> <p>Sur ... (Whatsapp/Youtube/Insta, etc) : On... (Whatsapp/Youtube/Insta, etc)</p>	<p>Key nouns:</p> <p>Un portable : a mobile phone Une tablette : a tablet Des films : some films</p> <p>Other key terms:</p> <p>En ligne: online Sur internet: on the internet Hier : yesterday La semaine dernière : last week</p>	<p>Key grammar: Forming the past tense with regular -er verbs</p> <p>The PAST TENSE is used to talk about something that happened in the past and is finished. It is often a case of adding “-ed” to the verb in English - e.g I watched a film; I played a game; I listened to the radio, etc.</p> <p>For regular -er verbs in French, you form the past participle (watched/played/listened) by removing the -er and adding an accented é (regardé/joué/écouté). The subject (I/you/he/she) is followed by an auxiliary verb (AVOIR in the present tense).</p>																		
<p>Subject (person) + Auxiliary (Avoir/Etre) + Past Participle (écouté/regardé/posté)</p>																				
<p>Hier (yesterday)</p> <p>La semaine dernière (last week)</p> <p>il y a trois jours (three days ago)</p> <p>il y a cinq jours (five days ago)</p> <p>il y a quinze jours (a fortnight ago)</p> <p>Récemment (recently)</p>	<p>J'ai (I have)</p> <p>mes amis et moi avons (my friends and I have)</p> <p>mes copains et moi avons (my mates and I have)</p>	<p>posté des commentaires (posted some comments)</p> <p>regardé des films (watched some films)</p> <p>écouté de la musique (listened to some music)</p> <p>partagé des photos (shared some photos)</p> <p>partagé des vidéos (shared some videos)</p> <p>posté des photos (posted some photos)</p> <p>posté des vidéos (posted some videos)</p> <p>blogué (blogged)</p> <p>envoyé des textos (sent some texts)</p> <p>lu des messages (read some messages)</p> <p>écrit des emails (written some emails)</p> <p>mis des photos en ligne (put some photos online)</p>																		
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<p>Passé Composé</p> <p>If you want to use these phrases in the passé composé, you MUST be careful! Like in English, you MUST put them around the helping verb, and that is all!</p>																				

Year 9

Our Year 9 students are finishing off their work on describing their own towns and region, and are now looking to Unit 14 which covers the different countries of the world and places they have, are going to or would like to visit.

Their key grammar for the unit is forming and using the future tense and the idiom is “Ce n’est pas le Pérou” – literally meaning “It’s not Peru”, but the French equivalent of “it’s nothing to write home about”.

This Week in MFL

Knowledge Organiser UNIT 14: Autour du monde (Around the World)

Names of countries and different ways to say "to" or "in":

Je vais	I go/am going
Je voudrais aller	I would like to go
Je reste	I stay/I am staying
Je vais aller	I am going to go
en France	to/in France
en Angleterre	to/in England
en Espagne	to/in Spain
en Amérique	to/in America
en Irlande	to/in Ireland
en Chine	to/in China
en Égypte	to/in Egypt
en Belgique	to/in Belgium
en Allemagne	to/in Germany
en Inde	to/in India
en Italie	to/in Italy
au Maroc	to/in Morocco
au Canada	to/in Canada
au Portugal	to/in Portugal
au Mexique	to/in Mexico
au Pays de Galles	to/in Wales
aux États-Unis	to/in the USA
aux Antilles	to/in the West Indies

Talking about different forms of transport:

Je voyage	I travel
Je voudrais voyager	I would like to travel
Je vais voyager	I am going to travel
en avion	by plane
en bateau	by boat
en voiture	by car
en train	by train
à vélo	by bike

The Future Tense

In French, this is used just like it is in English:
 I'm **going to** play football – Je **vais** jouer au foot.
 We're **going to** watch TV – Nous **allons** regarder la télé

SUBJECT	ALLER	INFINITIVE
I'm going Je	vais	regarder
You're going tu	vas	jouer
He/she's going il/elle	va	finir
We're going nous	allons	manger
You're going vous	allez	voyager
They're going (m/f)	vont	visiter

Using the NEAR FUTUR TENSE to say where you and your family are going to go:

Je vais aller en France	I am going to go to France
Je vais aller Espagne	I am going to go to Spain
Je vais aller en Amérique	I am going to go to America
Je vais aller en Irlande	I am going to go to Ireland
Ma famille et moi allons aller en Belgique	My family and I are going to go to Belgium
Ma famille et moi allons aller en Chine	My family and I are going to go to China
Ma famille et moi allons aller en Inde	
Je vais voyager en avion	I am going to travel by plane
Je vais voyager en bateau	I am going to travel by boat
Ma famille et moi allons voyager en voiture	My family and I are going to travel by car
Ma famille et moi allons voyager en train	My family and I are going to travel by train

Our KS3 students will have homework to support their classroom learning set fortnightly on our online platform www.sentencebuilders.com and should contact their class teacher for login details if needed.

Our KS4 students continue to work hard in preparation for their Progress Report 1, with the year 10s being assessed on Module 1 of the GCSE course – talking about their relationships, and past and future arrangements for time with friends and families. To support them with their preparation, they should be regularly accessing Google Classroom, where all of their lessons are uploaded, as well as all of the Module 1 vocab for revision purposes.

Year 11s are sitting past papers which will cover all of their learning on the course so far. We are busily working away on recapping all of our key grammar and vocab so they can go into their upcoming reading and writing mocks full of confidence and ready to succeed! Again, all of their revision material, including lesson powerpoints and all vocab from Modules 1 – 8 is available in their Google Classroom. Additionally, some year 11 students have expressed that they find our online platform – www.sentencebuilders.com – an enjoyable way to revise key structures and content and so there are practice activities available for them there. Please contact Mrs Charlton if you need a reminder of your login details.

This Week in MFL



In years 7-9 we use the online language resource, the Language Gym. This is a fun way for pupils to practise what they have learned in class, and can be done on a computer, tablet or phone.

There are activities such as boxing, rock climbing and workouts, which can get rather addictive!

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What is your name and where are you from?

et	et?	et?	et?	et?
guitar	guitar	guitar	guitar	guitar
map	map	map	map	map
what	what	what	what	what
the	the	the	the	the
has	has	has	has	has
the	the	the	the	the



All pupils have login details for this. If you have forgotten them, please speak to your teacher.

PTFA - NEW EVENT.....

**Thursday 1st December -
REINDEER DRIVE 7-9pm in the hall**



LOOK OUT FOR
MORE DETAILS
NEXT WEEK!

National Cipher Challenge

This week the first mission for the National Cipher Challenge was released. Our two teams (TeamRushden and The Fantastic Four) were quick to crack the code and submit their solutions. Both teams placed joint first nationally in Part A and The Fantastic Four placed first in part B with TeamRushden securing second place.

They used Caesar Ciphers and keyword Ciphers encryption to decode the message.

We await the next mission and hope to secure the number 1 spot again.

Mission 4A			Mission 4B		
POSITION	TEAM	SCORE	POSITION	TEAM	SCORE
1	TeamRushden	Rushden Academy (Rushden)	1	The Fantastic Four	Rushden Academy (Rushden)
2	The Fantastic Four	Rushden Academy (Rushden)	2	TeamRushden	Rushden Academy (Rushden)

Have a go yourselves to see if you can crack the code!

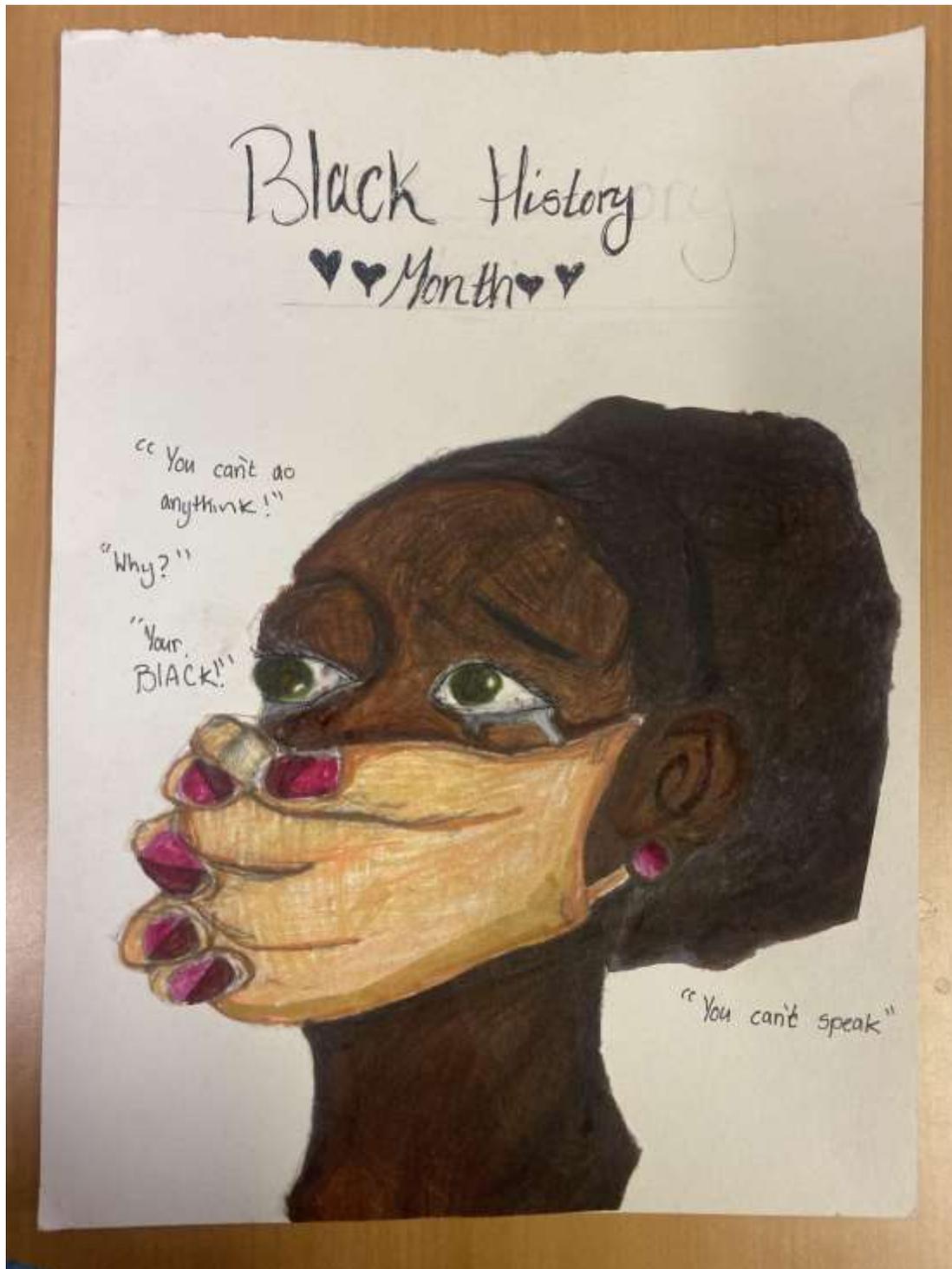
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Black History Month Competition Winner

Miss Pilgrim's Black History Month Competition winner : Olivia L - Y7

Great art skills were demonstrated within this powerful poster!



Library News

The library really is a vibrant place to be, and gets very busy during break and lunch each day. Our wonderful library could not run as effectively and efficiently as it does without the invaluable help of our fantastic team of Library Ambassadors! We currently have 3 Year 11's on our team and so it's time to train up the next generation of ambassadors! Before the half-term holiday applications were opened for students to apply to be a Library Ambassador. Out of the applicants who applied, 6 were shortlisted and interviewed. 3 of these were offered a position with the other 3 put on the reserve list in case they are needed in the future. So please join me in welcoming our new Ambassadors Olivia DS, Ben R & Victoria F.

Over the next few weeks we will be introducing them to you individually so you can see yourself just how amazing our Library ambassadors are.



Fail to Prepare, Prepare to Fail

At the end of last academic year, we heard from one of our parents (Mrs Maria Trilk) that she was preparing to run the London Marathon and raise money for charity. Inspired by her hard work, effort and determination, we wanted to share her story.

As I stood on the start line back in October, I was excited as this was the day I have been training for, for the last 25 weeks.

Just like in life you need to put in the hard work, to reap the benefits. It starts with making a plan, so back in March when I had been offered a charity place to run the London Marathon 26.2 miles in aid of Bowel Cancer UK a charity very close to my family, I mapped out the next 25 weeks to be race ready for Sunday 2nd October.

To be able to have a good balance and to fit my training in with work and family life, I needed to make it work for us all, so decided to run when my youngest children were at afterschool clubs and fit in my long runs at the weekend. It's not only just about the running when preparing to for a marathon it is also your diet, sleep, general health and wellbeing.

I followed my well thought out training plan each week, remembering that bad days (to be honest we all have them) would be followed by good days, slowly building my long runs from 6, 10, 15, 18 miles. I had a test race in Bedford exactly 1 month before the big day, to run 20 miles the longest run I had ever achieved. Feeling happy to have a 20 miler under my hat I was ready for the Big One.

I also had to focus on the fundraising for the amazing charity that had given me this opportunity to not only achieve a milestone for myself, but to help raise awareness and money for funding vital research for Bowel Cancer UK. With this research and early diagnosis death is preventable. Again, with planning, which is key, time and dedication I started fundraising, car boots at the weekend, cake sales and general exposure on the internet. I received amazing support and reached my fundraising target with thanks to all the people who believed in me and the charity I am so grateful.

Now just over a month on from the London Marathon, having achieved running the 26.2 miles, hitting the wall at 23 miles and managing to climb over it. I am so proud to say I did it, but it was only possible with the help and love from my amazing family who supported me throughout.

So, what I am trying to say is that anything is possible. With all the correct preparation and support. Set your goals and smash them and prove to everyone you can do it....

PE Updates

Year 7 Basketball Competition

On Tuesday this week we took some very keen and excited Year 7s over to Manor School in Raunds to take part in a district Basketball Competition.

We had had a training session the previous evening at the usual Basketball Club and the experienced and talented Year 9 Basketball team helped out with coaching and guiding the Year 7s ready for their fixture. We arrived and were the only team there with both boys and girls.

The first game was Manor and Ferrers and we watched and took notes! Ferrers beat Manor quite convincingly but we knew we were capable of giving both teams a good game ourselves. Our starting 5 struggled to settle down into the first game against Manor and we conceded two early baskets which was disappointing. However, we soon picked up in confidence after a few good tackles and runs down the court and we scored a whopping 5 baskets in record time! Well done to Eisha for her two baskets as well as some great defensive work and rebounds and also to Mason, Harvey B and Harvey R for their baskets too. The whole team pressed the ball extremely well and made it really difficult for Manor to get into our half for the rest of the game.

In the second game against Ferrers we also seemed to struggle to settle in and conceded an early 3 pointer which was disappointing but following that we matched them. There was some outstanding dribbling from Ethan B and Harvey R and everyone certainly left everything they had on court but we unfortunately conceded another basket towards the end and they won the game. Congratulations to Ferrers who move on in the competition.

Well done to the whole squad for an amazing performance that we are extremely proud of. They also behaved immaculately and showed great sportsmanship throughout well done guys. A special mention also goes to Callum R in Year 9 for his help and support with the team at the fixture.

If you would like to get involved in Basketball Club it currently runs on a Monday after school from 3-4pm, boys and girls of all ages are welcome.



PE Updates

Year 7 & Year 8 Cross Country Championships

On Thursday afternoon, we took a group of Year 7 and 8 students to Croyland Park in Wellingborough to partake in the District Cross Country Championships. For many of the students this was their first time competing in the event and there were some nerves in the build up to the races.

All of the students that competed were absolutely fantastic, running their hearts out, on what felt like the coldest and windiest day of the year!!! The course at Croyland is always difficult with many hills and slippery conditions making it difficult for the runners.

However, there were 3 students whose performance deserves special recognition.



In the Year 7 Boys race, for the first time ever we had two students qualify to represent the county in the County Competition in January. Taylor actually won the event!!! With Elliott qualifying in a superb 5th position finish. (Both students can be seen pictured).

Elsewhere, in the Year 8 boys race, Austin had to put in a magnificent and resilient performance to withstand a really strong field of runners to qualify in 5th position.

Well done to all three who will compete in Northampton in January.

Christmas Selection



This half term's reward will be student's receiving a selection box for meeting the criteria below.

The criteria:

96-100% attendance for the half term

No more than 1 remove

TOP 80 of the year group on overall points from September

The challenge:

Can you get more APs to improve your place in the year leader board? Can you attend school 96-100% this half term? Could you win the top prize (50 Aps) for the enrichment event?

GOOD LUCK!

Careers Day

We are planning to hold a Careers Day on Thursday 9th March 2023. The pupils have put together a large and varied list of careers that they are interested in. We are now looking for people from those areas who would be kind enough to give up a few hours on the day to speak with pupils. The day would be held in one of the large spaces in school and would consist of stands with different businesses on each. The pupils will then have time to walk around and speak to employers to find out more about that career or industry.

Some of the areas that pupils have asked for are Doctor, Nurse, Physio, Beauty, Childcare, Art/Design, Acting/Dancing, Mechanics, Chemists, Surgeon, Sports, Youtuber/influencer, Programming, Motor sport engineering, Psychology, Forensics, Criminology, Logistics, Animal Care, Chef, Electrician, Plumber, Builder, Farming, Dentist, Radiology, Marine Biologist, Care/Elderly, Tattooist, Development/planning and Media.

We would also welcome anyone who is part of a large organisation or company.

If you feel that you or someone that you know would be able to help then please contact t.billam@rushden-academy.net

Many thanks,

Mr T Billam
Vice Principal

Tuesday 15th November is National Pray Day for Schools

PRAYER ROOM

**Come and check out our new
creative prayer activities at break
and lunch this week, in the Creative
Arts block**

**Just ask a member of the
Ethos Team so they can let you
in and know you are here**

Cyber Security Reminder

We have been made aware that some parents have received what appear to be Google Classroom invites with links to potential pornographic images or adult content. In the invite messages we have seen the link to click to accept the invite is a rather obscure address that has nothing to do with Rushden Academy. If you should receive one of these invites I would recommend to delete the message without clicking on any of the links within it. If you have any questions please do get in touch and we will be happy to assist you.

Please be assured that we take cyber security very seriously at Rushden Academy and I hope the poster below has some useful information to help you stay safe online.

HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM PHISHING

- 1** BE VIGILANT! IS THE WEBSITE YOU ARE VISITING **SAFE**? 
- 2** USE A DIFFERENT **UNIQUE** PASSWORD FOR EVERY ACCOUNT. 
- 3** MAKE SURE PASSWORDS ARE **TOUGH**. USE A PARAPHRASE INSTEAD OF A WORD. 
- 4** **DO NOT CLICK** ON ANY LINKS OR DOCUMENTS IN AN UNSOLICITED EMAIL, **NO MATTER WHAT!** 
- 5** KEEP **SCHOOL** AND **PERSONAL** ACCOUNTS **SEPARATE**. DO NOT SHARE YOUR SCHOOL DEVICES WITH FAMILY OR FRIENDS. 
- 6** **DO NOT WRITE** PASSWORDS DOWN OR KEEP THEM ON POST-ITS. NO REALLY STOP! 
- 7** MAKE USE OF GOOGLE CHROME'S **PASSWORD MANAGER**. LET IT REMEMBER ALL YOUR PASSWORDS. 
- 8** **DO NOT** ACCESS SCHOOL ACCOUNT[S] ON OTHER PEOPLE'S DEVICES OR PUBLIC COMPUTERS. 
- 9** IF YOU ARE UNSURE, **ASK**. THE IT TEAM WILL HAPPILY CHECK THE VALIDITY OF A SITE OR EMAIL. 

SCAN TO TAKE THE PHISHING QUIZ 

TOVE
LEARNING TRUST 

Monday 14th November - Odd Sock Day

Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!

There is no pressure to wear the latest fashion or to buy expensive costumes. All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks to school - it couldn't be simpler! Odd Socks day will take place on Monday 14th November this year to help raise awareness of bullying. Please encourage your child to bring in any donation they think appropriate: 5, 10, or 20 pence pieces are perfect.

We are trying to raise enough money to buy one or two anti-bully boxes in order to help children bring matters that concern them to the attention of staff or ambassadors - anonymously.

ODD SOCK DAY
Monday 14th November

Anti-Bulling Ambassadors odd sock day Donations!

Celebrate uniqueness!

Inclusion of all!

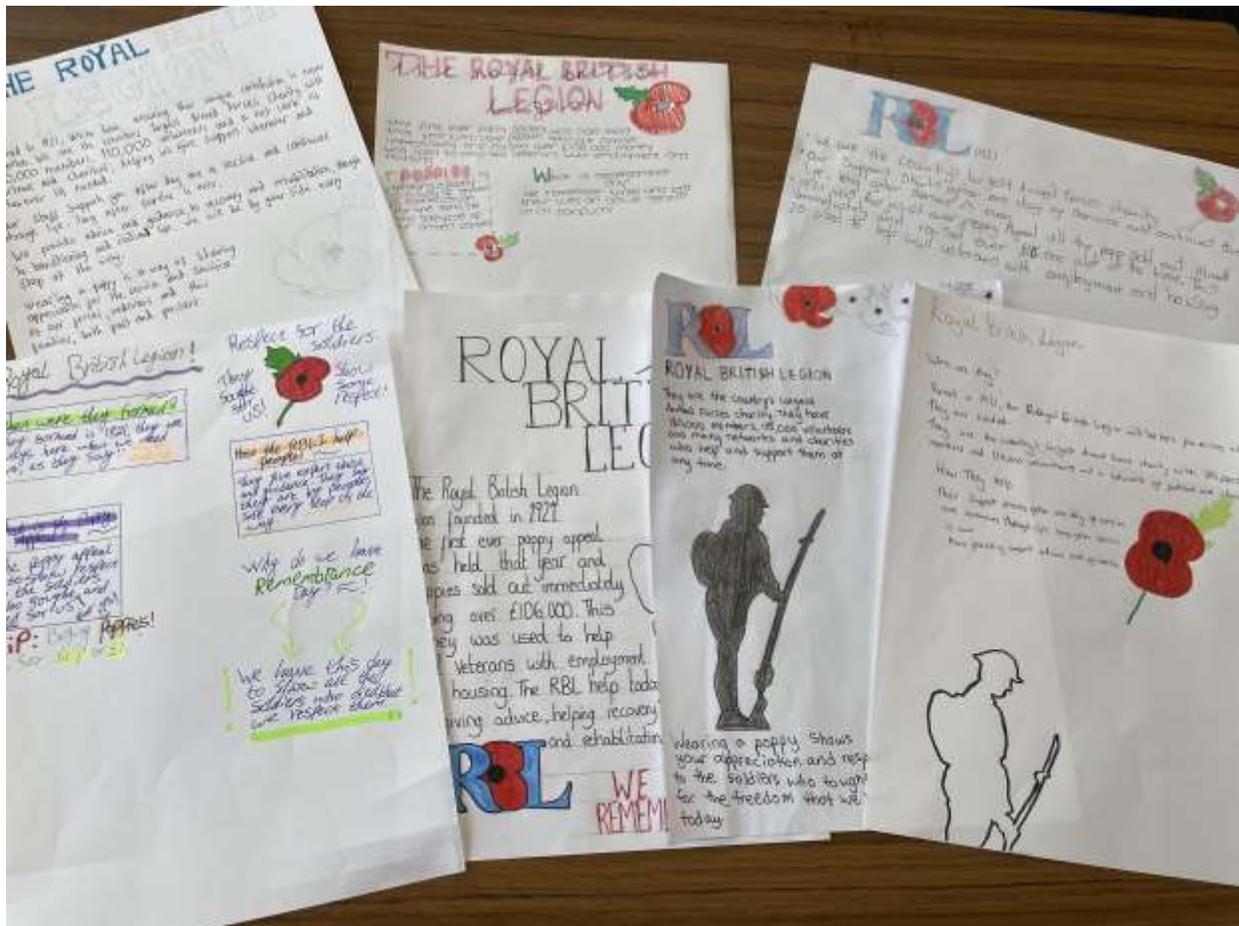
Check Your Contact Details are Correct

Please ensure the contact details Rushden Academy has for you are correct. You can do this via SIMS Parent Online or via the SIMS Parent App. If you have not received an invitation to login, please contact main reception.

This Week in RE

Throughout Year 9 RE lessons this term we have been exploring the theme of 'Charity and Aid'. We have been looking at what charity is and why they exist. This week, in the run up to Remembrance Day today we have been in particular looking at the role of The Royal British Legion - what they do and how they help people. Year 9's have been producing posters and leaflets about the history of the charity and how they operate in the present day.

Here are a few examples of their excellent work.



Numeracy Problem of the Week



Aroon says his age is 50 years 50 months 50 weeks and 50 days.

What age will he be on his next birthday?

Last Week's Solution: 55kg

Join the Google Classroom code **f2esulr** to submit your answer



INTREPID

Word Type:
Adjective

Synonyms:

- unafraid
- dauntless

Antonyms:

- fearful
- cowardly

Example:

- Our intrepid reporter is broadcasting live from the front line of the war.

Definition:

Intrepid means:

- fearless;
adventurous

English Period 6 for Year 11

All year 11 are invited to the following Period 6 sessions after school to help them revise for their mock exams.

Wednesday 16th November			
Options	What?	Details	Where?
1	A Christmas Carol	Exploring the main events in Staves 3, 4 and 5 plus key quotations	E5
2	A Christmas Carol	Exploring use of symbolism in the novella and how to analyse it	E3

Wednesday 23rd November			
Options	What?	Details	Where?
1	A Level Literature	Calling all students interested in A level literature!	E9

6th Form UCAS Update

UCAS



This is the term when Year 13 students are beginning to plan their post 18 pathways and applying to university.

Each week we will give you an update on who has completed their application alongside any offers or interviews they have received.

Name	Date sent	1st choice study	Course	Offer/interview?
Amber	16.10.2022	Nottingham Trent University	Childhood (psychology)	Conditional offers
Josie	10.11.2022	University of Warwick	English Literature	

Maths Period 6 for Year 11s

All year 11 are invited to the following Period 6 sessions after school to help them revise for their mock exams.

Monday 14th November

Who for?	Topic	Where?
Sets 1 & 2 (Higher)	Conversion graphs	Mr Routhorn, M1
Sets 3, 4 & 5 (Foundation)	Factorising - single and double brackets	Mr Glover, M2

Monday 21st November

Who for?	Topic	Where?
Sets 1 & 2 (Higher)	Real life graphs	Mrs Evans, M5
Sets 3, 4 & 5 (Foundation)	Substitution	Mrs Gurnham, M3

Monday 28th November

Who for?	Topic	Where?
Sets 1 & 2 (Higher)	Distance time graphs	Mrs Evans, M5
Sets 3, 4 & 5 (Foundation)	Two way tables	Mrs Armitage, M4

Monday 5th December

Who for?	Topic	Where?
Sets 1 & 2 (Higher)	Perpendicular and parallel lines	Mr Routhorn, M1
Sets 3, 4 & 5 (Foundation)	Averages from frequency tables	Mr Glover, M2

Monday 12th December

Who for?	Topic	Where?
Sets 1 & 2 (Higher)	Quadratic graphs inc. roots and turning points	Mrs Evans, M5
Sets 3, 4 & 5 (Foundation)	Stem and leaf diagrams	Mrs Gurnham, M3



Year 11 Mock Timetable

Dance and Drama Exams

These are your final Component 2 Exams. These marks will go towards your final BTEC grade next summer.

Clashes

Students who have 2 exams at the same time will have one of the exams moved to a session where you do not have an exam. This will show on your personalised timetable which you will receive closer to the exams.

If you do not have an exam you will be in your normal lessons

	P1 + P2		P3 +P4		Reg + P5	
FRI 11th NOV	DRAMA (LTH) 2hrs (KJ) HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE (SH) 2hrs ICT (SH) 1hr 30mins	26 29 27	DRAMA (LTH) 2hrs (KJ) SOCIOLOGY (SH) 1hr 45mins	26 47	DRAMA (LTH) 1hr (KJ)	26
MON 14th NOV	DANCE (HALL) 2hrs (CP) FRENCH WRITING (SH) H 80mins F 70mins HISTORY (SH) 1hr 45mins	14 17 47	DANCE (HALL) 2hrs (CP) BUSINESS (SH) 1hr 45mins	14 58	DANCE (HALL) 1hr (CP)	14
TUES 15th NOV	DANCE (HALL) 2hrs (CP) DRAMA (LTH) 2hrs (KJ) GRAPHICS (CA6) 2hrs (LH) CHILDCARE (SH) 2hrs	14 26 15 17	DANCE (HALL) 2hrs (CP) DRAMA (LTH) 2hrs (KJ) GRAPHICS (CA6) 2hrs (LH)	14 26 15	DANCE (HALL) 1hr (CP) DRAMA (LTH) 1hr (KJ) GRAPHICS (CA6) 2hrs (LH)	14 26 15
WED 16th NOV	ENGLISH LANG Paper 2 (SH) 1hr 55mins	134	GEOGRAPHY (SH) 1hr 30mins	77	Normal lessons	
THURS 17th NOV	MATHS Paper 1 (SH) 1hr 30mins (calculator)	134	COMBINED SCIENCE Physics (SH) 1hr 15mins TRIPLE SCIENCE Physics (SH) 1hr 45mins	118 16	Normal lessons	
FRI 18th NOV	COMBINED SCIENCE Chemistry (SH) 1hr 15mins TRIPLE SCIENCE Chemistry (SH) 1hr 45mins	118 16	MATHS Paper 2 (SH) 1hr 30mins (non-calculator)	134	Normal lessons	
MON 21st NOV	ENGLISH LIT Paper 2 (SH) 2hr 15mins	134	FRENCH READING (SH) H 60mins F 45mins GERMAN READING (SH) H 60mins F 45mins	17 16	Normal lessons	
TUES 22nd NOV	COMBINED SCIENCE Biology (SH) 1hr 15mins TRIPLE SCIENCE Biology (SH) 1hr 45mins	118 16	MATHS Paper 3 (SH) 1hr 30mins (calculator)	134	Normal lessons	
WED 23rd NOV	ART (CA4) 2hrs (DC +SAN) PHOTOGRAPHY 10C (CA6) 2hrs (LH) GERMAN WRITING (SH) H 80mins F 70mins	26 18 16	ART (CA4) 2hrs (DC +SAN) PHOTOGRAPHY 10C (CA6) 2hrs (LH)	26 18	ART (CA4) 1hr (DC +SAN) PHOTOGRAPHY 10C (CA6) 1hr (LH)	26 18
THURS 24th NOV	PHOTOGRAPHY 10B (CA6) 2hrs (LH)	24	PHOTOGRAPHY 10B (CA6) 2hrs (LH)	24	PHOTOGRAPHY 10B (CA6) 1hr (LH)	24

Students taking maths, science, business and geography exams will need a calculator

January 2023 TENC BTEC Exams

Date	Subject	Unit	Groups	Length	Venue	Start Time
Wednesday 11th January	Yr 13 PA	Unit 1	all	3 hours	Homeschool	9.00am
Wednesday 11th January	Yr 13 Health & Social Care	Unit 4	dbl/trp	3 hours	Homeschool	9.00 am
Wednesday 11th January	Yr 13 Sport	Unit 2	all	2.5 hrs	Homeschool	9.00 am
Wednesday 11th January	Yr 13 Business	Unit 2A	all	2 hours	Ferrers	1.30 pm
Thursday 12th January	Yr 13 Business	Unit 2B	all	3 hours	Ferrers	9.00 am
Friday 13th January	Yr 12 Sport	Unit 1	all	1.5 hrs	Homeschool	9.00 am
Friday 13th January	Yr 12 Health & Social Care	Unit 1	all	1.5 hrs	Homeschool	1.30 pm
Monday 16th January	Yr 13 Health & Social Care	Unit 2	all	1.5 hrs	Homeschool	9.00 am
Monday 16th January	Yr 13 Sport	Unit 22	dbl/trp	3 hours	Homeschool	9.00 am
Tuesday 17th January	Yr 13 Business	Unit 3	resits	2hrs	Homeschool	9.00 am
Tuesday 17th January	Yr 13 Applied Science Biology	Unit 1B	resits	40 mins	Homeschool	1.30 pm
Wednesday 18th January	Yr 13 Applied Science Chemistry	Unit 1C	resits	40 mins	Homeschool	9.00 am
Wednesday 18th January	Yr 13 Sport	Unit 19	trp	2.5 hrs	Homeschool	9.00 am
Wednesday 18th January	Yr 13 Applied Science Physics	Unit 1P	resits	40 mins	Homeschool	1.30 pm
Thursday 19th January	Yr 12 Health & Social Care	Unit 3	trp	1.5 hrs	Homeschool	9.00 am
Friday 20th January	Yr 13 Applied Science	Unit 3	all	2.25 hrs	Homeschool	9.00 am
Monday 23rd January	Yr 13 Applied Science Chemistry	Unit 5C	dbl	50 mins	Homeschool	1.30 pm
Monday 23rd January	Yr 13 ICT	Unit 1	resits	2hrs	Homeschool	9.00 am
Tuesday 24th January	Yr 13 Applied Science Physics	Unit 5P	dbl	50 mins	Homeschool	9.00 am
Tuesday 24th January	Yr 13 Applied Science Biology	Unit 5B	dbl	50 mins	Homeschool	1.30 pm

January/February 2023 KS4 BTEC Exams

Date	Subject	Unit	Length	Start Time
Monday 30th January	Yr 11 Health & Social Care	Unit 3	2 hrs	1.30 pm
Wednesday 1st February	Year 11 ICT	Unit 3	1.5 hrs	9.00am
Thursday 2nd February	Yr 11 Childcare	Unit 3	2 hours	9.00am

THE DROP IN
A SAFE PLACE TO RELAX, PLAY GAMES
AND CHAT ABOUT LIFE

YEAR 7 TUESDAY
YEAR 8&9 WEDNESDAY
YEAR 10&11 THURSDAY
IN THE ETHOS ROOM AT
LUNCH TIME
EVERYONE WELCOME

PE Extra Curricular

Monday - Basketball & Netball

Tuesday - Football

Wednesday - Staff meetings

Thursday - Fitness Suite

Keep up to date with all fixtures & events by joining the Google Classroom: **YFIMI5U**

PERFORMING ARTS PRESENTS

Dance

CLUB

FRIDAY 3:10pm-4:10pm
Main Hall



YEAR 7
YEAR 8
YEAR 9

Come along and learn new moves in a fun and friendly environment

FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT MISS PILGRIM

c.pilgrim@rushden-academy.net

Rushden Academy presents



Performance Group

DANCE

MODERN DANCE GROUP

Every Monday
Starting 19th September
3:10-4:10pm

DANCE STYLES
Contemporary
Hip Hop
Jazz

Express yourself through the art of modern dance

Register with Miss Pilgrim
c.pilgrim@rushden-academy.net

Weekly Star of MFL

Each week the MFL department chooses one of its Stars of the Week to showcase.

This may be for producing a particularly impressive piece of work, making excellent progress, having great attitude to learning or otherwise representing one of the Team Rushden values.

This week's star is...
Sophia

You have approached the start of your French studies with an excellent attitude and work ethic, always pushing yourself and being a role model to your peers.
Well done!
Mrs Charlton



Performing Arts Update

Drama

Year 10 have started their component 1 this week and have begun looking into Frantic Assembly. Frantic are a leading physical theatre group and are world renowned for their innovative and dynamic theatre. The year 10 cohort will explore various different Frantic techniques and will produce their own version of physical theatre as the weeks go on.

Dance

Year 8 has been touring the world visiting various countries and exploring their dance cultures. So far students have participated in an energetic Bollywood dance from **India** , techniques of Ballet from **France**  and next stop is **New Zealand**  performing the renowned HAKA! The year 8 world dance tour.....To be continued.

Music

Year 9 students have been looking at Blues music this term. Blues music is an important genre as many elements of Blues have filtered down into other genres of music including many of the music styles that students listen to today. Students have been learning to play a 12 bar blues chord sequence, the cornerstone of blues music, along with learning a walking bassline. This week we have also added in the new idea of improvisation, a key skill that can be transferred into many subjects and situations not just within music. Students will be adding in a melody over the next couple of lessons to arm them with all 4 parts needed for their assessment work at the end of this term.

Performing Arts Career of the week: Community Arts Worker

Community arts workers help local community groups to develop skills in the arts such as dance, theatre, music, video and the visual and literary arts, with the aim of improving quality of life and helping develop communities.

Estimated Annual Starting Salary: £19,000

For any students that are interested in taking up instrument lessons this term - please get in touch with Mrs Brooks! We currently offer string, piano, guitar, drum and singing lessons but if you are interested in other instrument please let us know and we will try and source the provision!

r.brooks@Rushden-academy.net



Performing Arts Update

Trips

FutureMakers - Royal Albert Hall

On Wednesday we took a group of 27 Year 8 and 9 students to London's Royal Albert Hall to see a concert organised by Future Makers.

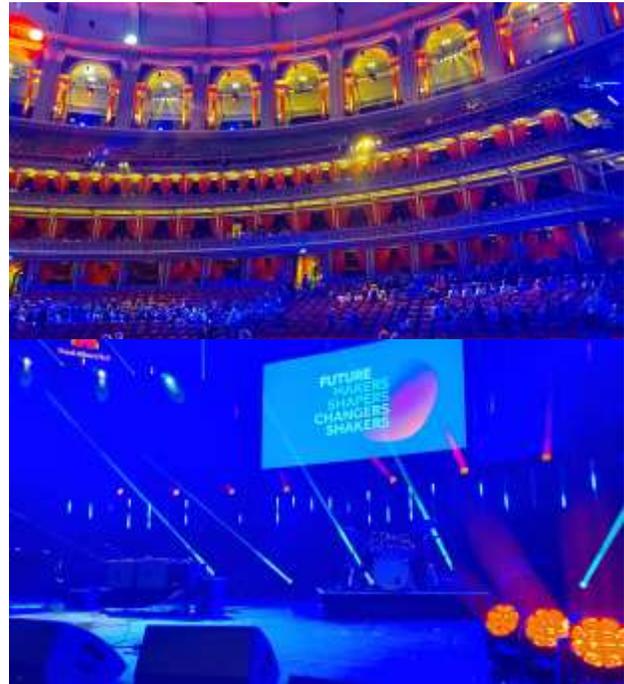
The Royal Albert Hall, truly is a grand venue and this was many of our students' first time seeing and visiting the Hall, though many students were surprised with the size of the venue inside as it is oddly smaller than you think!

Students were treated to 9 amazing acts aged 14-18, who, over the past few months have auditioned and made it through to the final of the competition.

The concert showcased talented young musicians from across London performing their own original music in a variety of genres including Indie Rock, Pop, Jazz, Rap and Folk. There were some astounding acts performed and our students were well and truly inspired by what they saw and all had their own opinions on which act deserved to win.

As we were leaving, our students met one of the acts that had wowed them the most and learnt that the group of three female rappers were in Year 11 in a school in south London, our students were polite and praised the act on how well they had performed before getting a quick photo before they left.

We hope Future Makers will continue this opportunity each year for our students to see some amazing work and inspire them to be the best they can be as we have such a talented bunch of students here at Rushden Academy!



Othello

Various year 9s, 10s and sixth formers went to Oxford Playhouse on Thursday to see Frantic Assembly's Othello.

The show is a reimagined version of Shakespeare in the style of physical theatre, something that our year 10s are beginning to study and that the sixth formers know well and have used within their work.

The trip was a resounding success and all have said that they enjoyed it. Physical theatre is an innovative strand of performance and it was wonderful to allow our students to experience that.

Stars of the Week

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How to Access Go4Schools

Go4Schools is the online system that Rushden Academy uses to track student attendance, student progress and assign homework tasks.

Students and parents can access this at home to keep up to date, by checking timetables and homework deadlines. Student progress reports will be published through Go4Schools 3 times a year.

Please follow the instructions below to access Go4Schools.

Student access to Go4Schools

- ◆ Go to the Go4Schools student access page (on the top right of the Go4Schools home page)
- ◆ Type in your school email address in the first time user box (your computer login in followed by @Rushden-academy.net)

First-time User?

If you haven't logged on to GO 4 Students before, type your email address and click the "please send me a password" button.

Email address:

Please note, if you are having problems with your password please contact your school. For Data Protection reasons we are unable to divulge or set passwords for students ourselves.

Please send me a password

- ◆ This will send you an email link with your password
- ◆ Login with your new password

Parental access to Go4Schools

- ◆ Go to the Go4Schools parent access page
- ◆ Enter your email address (the one Rushden Academy contacts you on) in the first time user box
- ◆ This will send you an email link with your password
- ◆ Login with your new password

If you haven't received an email in 5 minutes, please double check you have your email typed in correctly and ask them to send the password again. If you have any problems accessing Go4Schools do not hesitate to contact the academy.

You also have access to the Go4Schools app that can be downloaded from the Apple Store or Google Play.

Mr P Bocking
Assistant Principal

Are you looking for a career change? Are you interested in training to teach?

Rushden Academy has a proven track record in successfully supporting trainee teachers on programmes leading to QTS. Many of our staff, past and present, have been trained at the school and an even larger number have completed main placements and second placements here before securing teaching jobs elsewhere.



As a school with a strong and successful record for training new teachers to the profession, Rushden Academy works closely with School Centered Initial Teacher Training (SCITT) providers to provide fully supported and mentored school placements on a variety of routes.

If you are interested in a new career or are looking for more information about routes into teaching, then please contact Gail Brainwood, Director for Learning on 01933 350391 or by email: g.brainwood@Rushden-academy.net

Are You Eligible for Free School Meals?

If you are in receipt of any of the following, your child may be eligible for free school meals.

- Income Support
- Income based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit, with no element of Working Tax Credit, and a household income below £16,190 (as assessed by HM Revenue and Customs)
- Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
- Universal Credit - income dependant

You can check your eligibility and apply for free school meals through Northampton County Council by clicking [here](#).

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

sex **DRUGS**
contraception **exam anxiety**
BULLYING family issues
alcohol **SMOKING**

HEALTHY EATING body image
social networking & cyber bullying

SELF HARM MENTAL HEALTH
relationships

for friendly, helpful advice
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CHAT Youth Counselling
Starting Wednesday 3rd November

CAFE AND CHAT

YOUNG PERSON'S EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING DROP-IN

EVERY WEDNESDAY, 4-8PM,
30 MARKET ROAD,
THRAPSTON NN14 4JU

IN A BIT OF A CRISIS? WE'RE HERE TO HELP. JUST COME ALONG

Need relationship advice? Having trouble at school? Just feeling a bit low? Come talk to us for free and confidential support and advice.

NEED TO CHAT TO SOMEONE IMPARTIAL ABOUT SOMETHING?

CHAT Youth Counselling

MENTAL HEALTH DROP-IN SERVICES FOR 11-18 YEAR OLDS IN NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

If you find yourself needing support, we're here to listen and help in your time of need. Book an appointment by calling the numbers or drop in during our opening times.

Monday 4pm - 8pm
the lowdown,
3 Kingswell Street,
Northampton, NN1 1PP
01604 654385

Tuesday 4pm - 8pm
Youth Works at Corby Mind,
18 Argyle St, Corby NN17 3RU
01536 518339

Wednesday 4pm - 8pm
Chat,
Souster Youth Building,
30 Midland Road, Thrapston,
NN14 4JU
01832 274422

Thursday 4pm - 8pm
Youth Works,
47 Rockingham Rd,
Kettering, NN16 9HX
01536 518339

Friday 4pm - 8pm
the lowdown,
3 Kingswell Street,
Northampton,
NN1 1PP
01604 654385

Saturday 10am - 2pm
Service Six,
15 Sassoon Mews,
Wellingborough,
NN8 3LT
01935 277530

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