

15th June 2018

Rushden Academy Newsletter



Message From the Principal

Team Rushden - United we stand, divided we fall

Today we say goodbye to year 11, they have been a fantastic year group and will be missed. We wish them every success as they move upwards and onwards, but before they do we still have to a couple of events like the last few GCSEs to sit for some, the prom, which is always stunning and of course results day on the 23rd August. Incidentally, we would really appreciate receiving back any revision guides, any text books or library books and any donations of school ties.

Year 10 are busy preparing for their end of year exams that start next week, a useful tool is GCSE pod and they should be accessing this along with other revision material. Year 10 have made good progress this year and are really stepping up to the demands of their challenging GCSEs. We are also preparing for the y10 enterprise event where they will have an opportunity to seek out information and guidance about certain jobs/careers. If you think you could offer some careers

advice and have ideas to share please do get in touch with Mr Brotherston.

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I am pleased to announce the following

HEAD BOY – JAMES WAREING

DEPUTY HEAD BOY – TOM CASWELL

HEAD GIRL – PAIGE HUMPHRISS

DEPUTY HEAD GIRL – CHELSEA CHAPMAN



My goodness the process was demanding and the students were fantastic throughout. We will be setting up a prefect leadership team and they will be making whole school decisions and leading on important matters.

We are pleased to announce that Mrs Hazelton has had a healthy 6lb and 4oz baby boy and they are calling him James. Team Rushden wish the Hazelton family well.

This week Mr Billam joined Team Rushden as an Assistant Principal and a Math's specialist, a brilliant addition to the team. He is already busy finalising next year's timetable and preparing us well for the new academic year. If you are considering a career change and are interested in working in a school, please contact us. We are looking to recruit cover supervisors / teaching assistants and/or potential trainee teachers. There is such a shortage nationally and we need to attract really good staff for our next generation. We have an outstanding nursery on site that opens term time only and we pride ourselves with the professional development opportunities here. It is a great career, very rewarding and the pupils in Team Rushden are really well behaved.

Just checking that you have booked your Grease tickets, rehearsals are underway and the pupils and staff are determined to make this another top show.

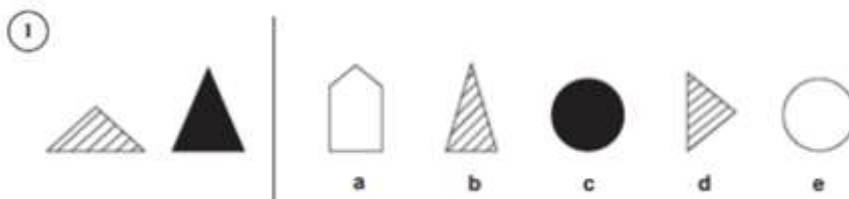
Thank you for reading and enjoy your weekend.

Mrs J Burton
Principal

Maths puzzle of the week:

In the image below, there are two figures (on the left) that are like each other in some way. Find which of the five figures on the right is most like the two figures on the left.

The answer will be revealed near the end of the newsletter.



Message From Our New Head Boy, Head Girl & Deputies



We are delighted to all be in our new positions of Head Girl, Head Boy, Deputy Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy, and to form a strong pupil body who will represent student voice and the school in both internally and in the community.

The process to get here has been long and very much like applying for a job. Head Girl Paige Explains how this was very stressful but a great way to prepare for the future. All applicants had to submit a formal letter before being short-listed to an extremely strong field. All candidates had to deliver a speech to an interview panel, 'I was extremely nervous beforehand but I really enjoyed the experience once I got in there.' Explained Deputy Head Girl Chelsea Chapman

Head boy James Wareing went on to tell us how 'the process gave us an idea of the rigorous nature of job application and interview process.' Deputy Head Boy Thomas Caswell, added 'it was a totally new experience for me.'

We are excited for the new challenges ahead and to start our new journey as the leaders of the student body. We want to assure everyone at Rushden Academy that they have students to talk to, to look out for them and to be presented with many opportunities over the year.

Congratulations to:

Paige Humphriss – Head Girl

Chelsea Chapman – Deputy Head Girl

James Wareing – Head Boy

Thomas Caswell – Deputy Head Boy

Miss R Burrows

Head of Year 10

PTFA Update

The PTFA (Parent's Teachers and Friends Association) will be meeting on Wednesday 20th June from 6pm until 7.30pm and are looking for new recruits.

One of our agenda items will be to look at how we promote our school to new parents on Tuesday 26th June as part of the transition from year 6 into 7. If you are interested in helping out on the evening or would like to get involved in any of our future activities or events then please come along or contact j.holmes@rushden-academy.net.

We always welcome new parents, we can't run the PTFA without you!

Jo Holmes

On behalf of the PTFA



Returning items to the school

Could all of the students leaving Rushden Academy please ensure that they return any textbooks to their teachers and any library books to the School Library.

Also, if you have any revision guides for any subjects that you no longer need or want, please bring them into the school so that other students can make use of them.



School ties which are no longer needed can be returned to the school office.

Good luck with your last few exams and with whatever the future holds for you!

Year 11 Destinations 2018

The Department for Education currently requires that we collect information about the intended learning destinations from every student who leaves Rushden Academy at the end of Year 11. Year 11 students have already completed "The September Guarantee" with Timely Advice indicating the offers they have for September 2018. Avril from TimelyAdvice will continue working with students to provide careers advice and guidance and ensure they have a sustainable destination following their results. She can be contacted on the emails shown below to arrange appointments or support with interviews and applications.

avril@timelyadvice.org.uk or a.bartley-Smith@rushden-academy.net or for urgent support call her on 07505354015.

After results day, Year 11 students will make a final decisions and confirm their places. If a student's choice of destination has changed after results day, we as an academy need to confirm the new destination for each student.

Year 11 students who are not staying on to our sixth form in September 2018 must confirm their actual destination no later than Wednesday 19th September 2018, so that the school can comply with this legal requirement in due time.

We require the following information:

- ◆ Name of school or college being attended.
- ◆ Name and level of the course being undertaken
- ◆ For apprenticeships, the employer's name, start date and the training provider associated with the apprenticeship

This information should be emailed to Mr Brotherston (c.brotherston@rushden-academy.net).

Mr C Brotherston

Subject Lead for Computing, Business & Careers

Maths puzzle of the week answer:

B. All figures must be triangles with a flat side at the bottom.

Grease Cast Interview

Tell me about your character, Danny

He's cooler than I am for a start! So he was a difficult character to portray, especially when you watch John Travolta in the film – now he is cool! He's actually quite sweet at heart but I feel like he is scared to tell the T-Birds how he really feels as he thinks they would take the mick!

What's been the biggest challenge for you in playing this role?

American accent is a big one! It's so hard to get right! Fitting in to being the lead role in a musical as well because it's totally new to me. I've never really been involved with musicals and NEVER expected when I started Rushden that I would be performing in one, let alone as Danny, so that's been a huge challenge for me.

How did you become involved in Grease?

I always came to watch the school shows and secretly wanted to be up there. I had thought about auditioning for 'our House' but bottled out. Then our first performance as part of the BTEC Performing Arts course was the pantomime and I had such fun, singing and dancing and generally having a laugh on stage. But by then it was too late for Our House as they had already been rehearsing for a term. Then someone dropped out and Mrs Ede asked me if I wanted to step in. And the rest is history.

So when did you decide acting was something you wanted to do?

I can actually pinpoint the exact moment when I realised I wanted to be an actor. I had injured my knee and had stopped playing rugby because of it. I was sat at home re-watching Dr Who. It was an episode with David Tennent and I thought 'How cool would it be to be this person' and that was it!

What has been the biggest influence in your success?

Proving people wrong! Showing people that I can do things that they thought I couldn't. I want to be successful and I refuse to be someone who didn't make it.

How are rehearsals for Grease going?

Depends on what we are doing (laughs nervously) some songs still need work but it's all coming together and I'm really excited about it. Nervous but excited.

What is your favourite part of the show?

Ooooooooooooo! Either 'Grease Lighting' or 'Shaking at the High school hop'. Grease lighting because it's THE song and it's with my boys! And 'Shaking at the High School hop' because it's so much fun to do.

What would you say to anyone thinking about doing next year's show?

Just go for it! Because even if you don't get the part you wanted, you are still part of the family and you will still have a great time doing it.

So when is Grease happening?

17th, 18th, 19th July. Tickets are on sale now. Oh and if you're coming on the Thursday – don't forget to dress up for our Grease Themed night!



Name: Cameron Browne

Character in Grease:
Danny Zuko

Year Group: 13

Studying: BTEC Performing
Arts / Acting

Pink Ladies

Boogie on down to the grooviest joint in town ...

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BIRDS

Danny's Diner

Come and chow down on a delicious burger or frankfurter ahead of the final Grease performance on Thursday 19th July.

Open for one night only, jive on down and enjoy a traditional American diner meal including main, pudding and beverage for just £10.00 per person.

There are only 50 diner places available with allocations being on a first come, first serve basis.

Plus ... Get Seated First!

Diners will also receive priority audience entry (with pre-purchased ticket)

*Don't leave Danny 'stranded at the drive in'. **BOOK NOW!***

To book and pre-order e-mail k.steele@rushden-academy.net

Don't forget to dress up!

Y9 End of Year Exams

Please ensure students are watching the videos on GCSE pod, and completing the multiple choice questions. May I take this opportunity to remind students they will need pen, pencil, ruler, rubber and scientific calculator for their science exam.

Thanks

Miss C Wiles
Head of Science

TARGET



SPEAK OUT. YOU'RE NOT ALONE!

Service Six TARGET project engaged 1001 young people, 525 of whom were disadvantaged. All resided in Northamptonshire or Leicestershire and were aged between 1 and 25 years of age, with most between 9 and 17 years. 793 young people responded to semi-structured questionnaires and they told us:

- 27% are regularly harassed online by strangers
- 36% have received pornography involving them
- 26% have used pornography
- 19% have been asked to meet strangers
- 4% have met strangers
- 27% reported to an adult

Furthermore disadvantaged young people are:

- 4% more likely to receive sexually explicit images or videos
- 4% more likely to send out sexually explicit images or videos
- 27% more likely to send out sexually explicit material willingly
- 27% less likely to report unwanted stranger contact and/or receipt of sexually explicit material to an adult



If you feel you are being **Targeted** go to the app store and find our app **TARGET**

This app can give you support advice and tips which are full of cartoons and video clips.

The helpline is contactable via telephone, email, Facebook and WhatsApp messenger.

The helpline currently operates Mondays and Fridays, 4.30pm - 8pm:

Telephone:

07734 053209

Email:

helpline@target6.co.uk

Facebook:

0166 Target



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Y10 Mock Exam Timetable

DATE	MORNING		AFTERNOON		
	1 + 2	3 + 4	5 + reg		
MON 18th JUNE	ENGLISH Paper 1 (SH) 1hr 45 mins	142	ICT (SH) 1hr 45 mins FRENCH LIST Higher (VOC2) 45 mins FRENCH LIST Found (VOC2) 35 mins	29 3 28	NORMAL LESSONS
TUES 19th JUNE	SCIENCE Paper 1 (SH) 2hrs	142	MATHS Paper 1 (SH) 1hr 30mins	142	NORMAL LESSONS
WED 20th JUNE	SCIENCE Paper 2 (SH) 2hrs	140	GEOGRAPHY (SH) 1hr 30mins FRENCH LIST Found (VOC2) 35 mins	60 28	FRENCH LIST Found (VOC2) 35 mins
Thurs 21st JUNE	ENGLISH Paper 2 (SH) 2hrs	142	MATHS Paper 2 (SH) 1hr 30mins	142	
Fri 22nd June	SCIENCE Paper 2 (E10) 2hrs (AD,KC only) NORMAL LESSONS Exam rooms in use for GCSE/IGCE Exams	2	HISTORY (SH) 1hr 45 mins	106	NORMAL LESSONS
Mon 25th June	FRENCH Speaking		FRENCH Speaking		FRENCH Speaking
TUES 26th JUNE	FRENCH Speaking 10A DRAMA (tbc) 2hrs 10B DRAMA (tbc) 2hrs	21 22	FRENCH Speaking 10A DRAMA (tbc) 2hrs 10B DRAMA (tbc) 2hrs	21 22	FRENCH Speaking
WED 27th JUNE	FRENCH Speaking GCSE Music (tbc) PA4 10F PRODUCT DESIGN (T10) 2hrs	9 14	FRENCH Speaking GCSE Music (tbc) PA4 10F PRODUCT DESIGN (T10) 2hrs	9 14	FRENCH Speaking
THUR 28th JUNE	10A ART (T3&T10)) 2hrs FRENCH Speaking 10A PRODUCT DESIGN (tbc) 2hrs	26 29	10A ART (T3&T10)) 2hrs FRENCH Speaking 10A PRODUCT DESIGN (tbc) 2hrs	26 29	10F PRODUCT DESIGN (T10) 1hr 10A ART (T3&T10)) 1hr 10A PRODUCT DESIGN (tbc) 1hr FRENCH Speaking
FRI 29th JUNE	10B ART (T3&T10)) 2hrs 10B DANCE (Stage) 2hrs FRENCH Speaking BTEC Music (tbc) PA4 10B PRODUCT DESIGN (tbc) 2hrs	21 10 5 27	10B ART (T3&T10)) 2hrs 10B DANCE (Stage) 2hrs FRENCH Speaking BTEC Music (tbc) PA4 10B PRODUCT DESIGN (tbc) 2hrs	21 10 5 27	10B ART (T3&T10)) 1hr 10B PRODUCT DESIGN (tbc) 1hr FRENCH Speaking

Students taking maths and science exams will need a calculator

French students will be taking only one of the listening sessions - on students individual timetable

French speaking - Students given their own time, they take about 30 mins

Y12 Mock Exam Timetable

YEAR 12 MOCK EXAMS SUMMER 2018

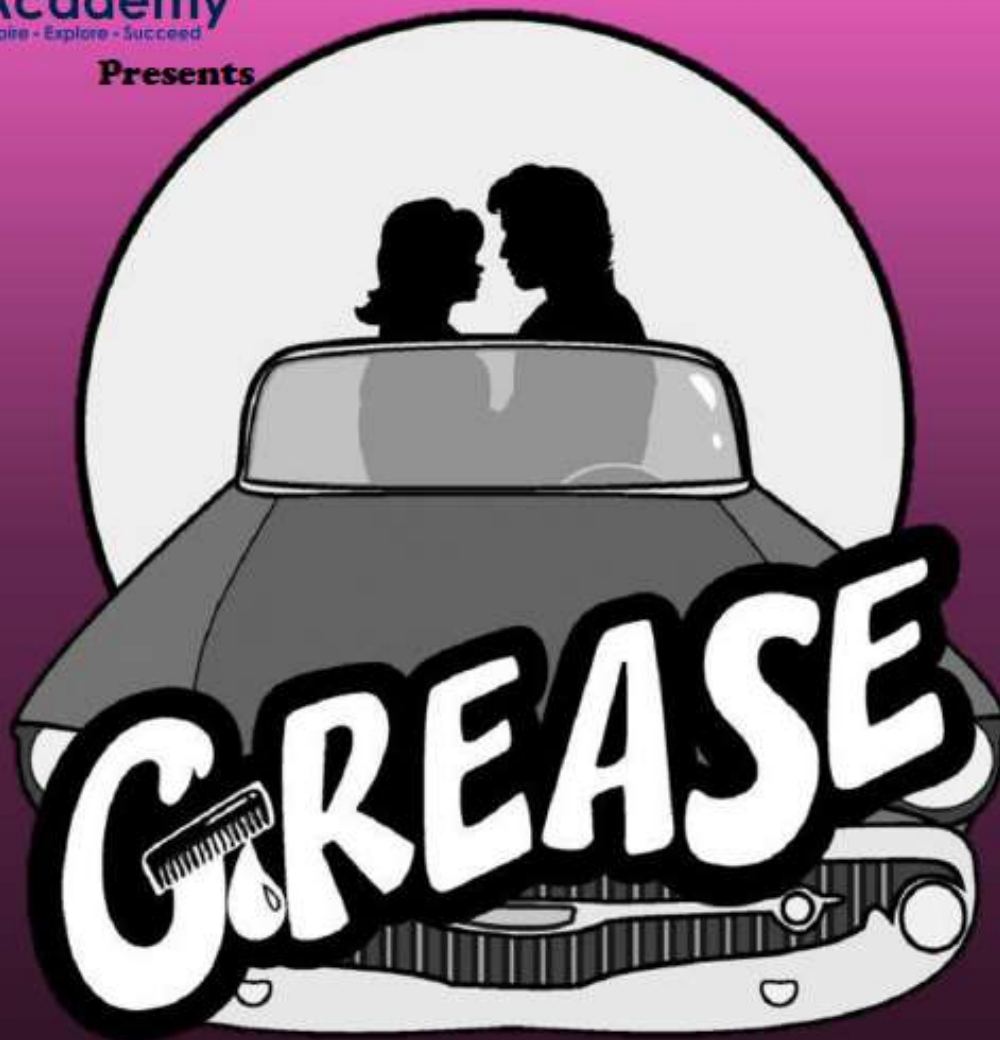
Yr 12 (New Specs) - Formal assessment

Students will sit their exams in homebase schools unless indicated otherwise

(Year 12 Art at Rushden, Music at Ferrers)

	MON 2nd July	TUES 3rd July	WED 4th July	THURS 5th July	
AM	12 Psychology 12 French Paper 1 12 Maths Paper 1 (Jacob F)	2hrs 1hr 45 mins 2hrs	4hrs 1hr 30mins 2hr 30mins 2hr 30mins 1hr 45 mins 2hrs	12 English Lang/Lit 12 French Paper 2 12 Geography 12 Physics 12 Sociology (Chloe C, Milly P)	2hrs 1hr 45 mins 2 x 1hr 1hr 30mins 2 hrs
		12Art (RUSHDEN) 12 Chemistry 12 Dance 12 English Literature 12 German Paper 1 12 Music		12 Biology paper 2 12 Business 12 Computer Science 12 German Paper 2 12 Graphics 12 Drama	1hr 30mins 2hrs 2hr 30mins 1hr 45 mins 1hr 30mins tbc
PM	12 Core Maths 12 Law 12 Maths Paper 1	1hr 30mins 2hrs 2hrs	1hr 1hr 30mins	12 Sociology 12 Biology paper 1	2hrs 1hr 30mins
		12Art (RUSHDEN) 12 History		12 Maths Paper 2 12 Media 12 Phil & Ethics	1hr 15mins 1hr 15mins 1hr 20mins

Presents



July 2018

17th Tues 7:30pm

18th Weds 7:30pm

19th Thurs 7:30pm

Tickets: £5.00

Available at RECEPTION

Doors open @ 7:15pm

Show start @ 7:30 pm

**Book, Music, and Lyrics by
Jim Jacobs and Warren Casey**

'Hopelessly Devoted to You',

'You're The One That I Want',

'Sandy' and 'Grease'

are used by arrangement

with Robert Stigwood.

Literacy at Rushden

Literacy in form-time



All form groups are going to be developing their literacy skills in one form time every week .

Students will be developing their vocabulary by looking at new words every week and how to use

Vocabulary enables us to interpret and to express. If you have a limited vocabulary, you will also have a limited vision and a limited future.

— Jim Rohn —

Research (Nagy 1980, Beck, McKeown et al 2002) suggests a student learns around 3000 new words every academic year. Research suggests that this figure relies heavily on wider reading and less than 10% of these words are explicitly taught. Encourage your child to read to widen their vocabulary!

THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT

MISCHIEF MAKERS

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2018

Parent Literacy Tips

If your child is aged between 13 and 24 then you can contact your local public library this summer to find out about more about helping with the Summer Reading Challenge as a volunteer. For more details visit the Reading Challenge website:

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



Carnegie Book Award 2018

The Carnegie Book Award 2018 is almost at a close, with the winner of both the Carnegie Medal and the Amnesty International prizes set to be announced at 1pm on Wednesday 20th June. The Book Shadowing Group has had some great discussions about the books, their plotlines, characters and how to relate the issues raised in the books to the world we live in. This week we will be having our own 'Book Oscars' and will be nominating books in categories such as best character, best sub-plot, best twist. We'll announce the winners of both this and the Carnegie Awards in next week's newsletter.

**"Once you learn to read you will
be forever free"**

Frederick Douglas, African-American social reformer

Rushden Academy
Performing Arts Faculty
Present



Year 9 Showcase

21st June

**An evening of work from
Performing Arts Students**



Year 10 Showcase

27th June

**An evening of work from Music,
Dance & Drama**

MACBETH



**BTEC Performing Arts showcase
Presenting
MACBETH
5th July**



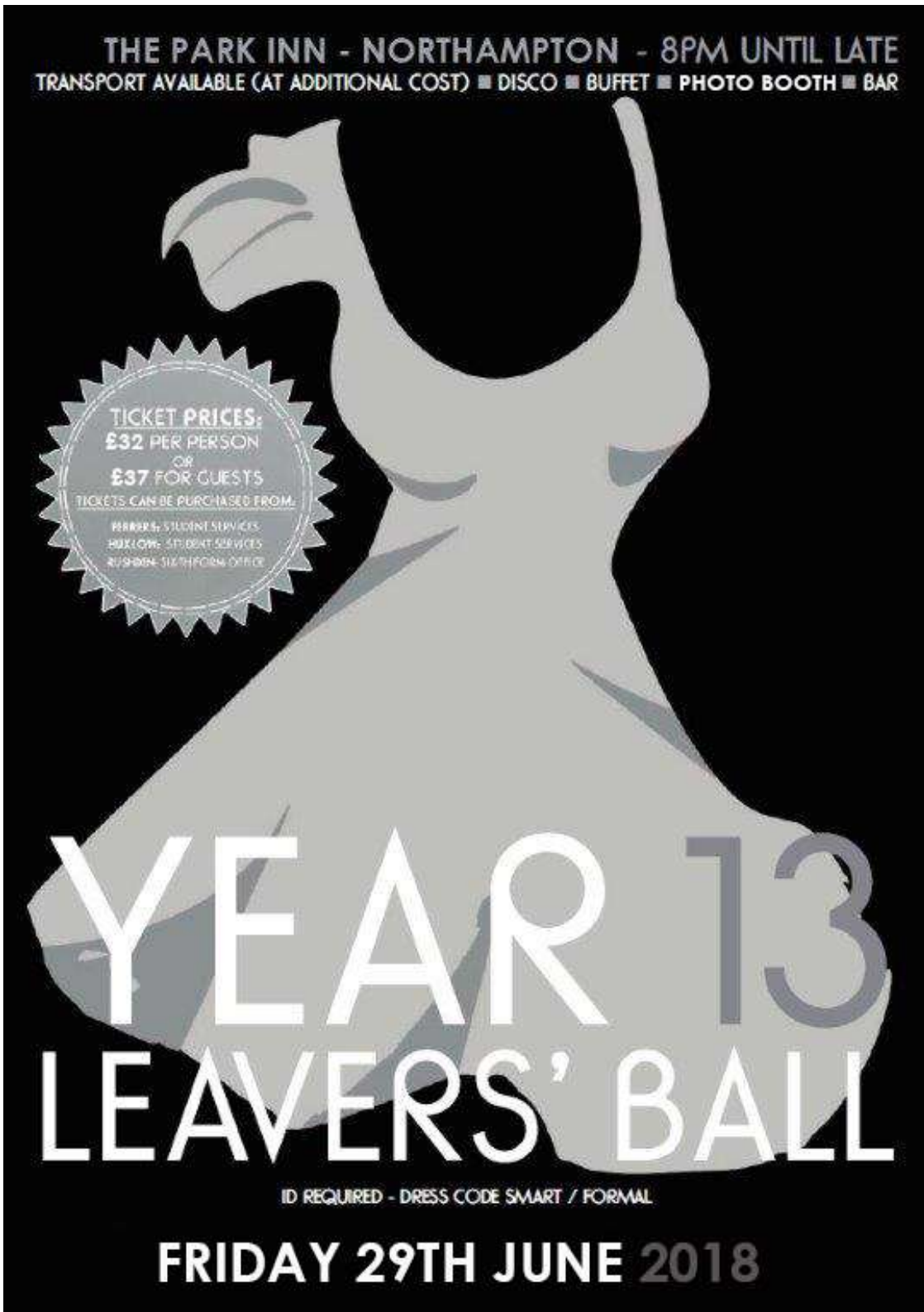
Rushden Academy Present

GREASE

17th, 18th, 19th July

7.30pm Rushden Academy

Tickets on Sale Now for Y13 Prom



THE PARK INN - NORTHAMPTON - 8PM UNTIL LATE
TRANSPORT AVAILABLE (AT ADDITIONAL COST) ■ DISCO ■ BUFFET ■ PHOTO BOOTH ■ BAR

TICKET PRICES:
£32 PER PERSON
OR
£37 FOR GUESTS
TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM:
HARRIS - STUDENT SERVICES
HUXLOW - STUDENT SERVICES
RUSHMORE - STUDENT SERVICES

YEAR 13
LEAVERS' BALL

ID REQUIRED - DRESS CODE SMART / FORMAL

FRIDAY 29TH JUNE 2018

PE ACTIVITIES SUMMER 2018

AFTER SCHOOL (3.30-4.30pm)

MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI
Yr 7-11 BOYS AND GIRLS DANCE (CP)	Yr10 -11 DofE Expedition Training (BS)	Yr 7-11 BOYS AND GIRLS FITNESS SUITE (PE STAFF)	Yr 10-11 GCSE DANCE (CP)	Yr 7-11 BOYS AND GIRLS FITNESS SUITE (PE STAFF)
Yr10 -11 DofE Skills: First Aid (BS)	FUTSAL (MD, SH)	Yr10 -11 DofE Expedition Training (BS)	BTEC SPORT IT5 (BS)	BTEC SPORT PE1 / IT5 (SHA, BS)
			ROUNDERS (SF, RAB)	Yr 11 NCFE IT5 (SF)



PE ACTIVITIES SUMMER 2018

LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES








	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI
Field	RECREATIONAL GAMES (BS)	RECREATIONAL GAMES (BS, SH)	RECREATIONAL GAMES (BS, SF)	RECREATIONAL GAMES (BS, RAB)	RECREATIONAL GAMES (BS, SH)
Tennis Courts	TENNIS (CP)	TENNIS (JBr (B))	TENNIS (JBr (A))	TENNIS (JBr (B))	TENNIS (JBr (A))

If weather permits the field will be open at lunchtimes. Please play ball games in the designated areas. You are welcome to bring your own ball for use at break and lunch times, however there are balls available to loan from PE staff.

Food will not be allowed inside the PE facilities, please use the eating areas before attending your club.



Rushden Academy Extra-Curricular Timetable

	Lunch Time 1.15pm – 1.45pm	Room	After School 3.30pm – 4.30pm	Room
Monday	Library: Games Club Performing Arts: Rehearsals PE: Badminton, Table Tennis, Football 	Library PA Block Gym/SH/Courts	Library: Homework Club PE: Yr7-11 Dance Club Maths: Homework Club Art and Design: STEM Club 	Library Field ICT 1 T8 Library Field/Courts
Tuesday	PE: Football, Dodgeball, Table Tennis Library: Managa Drawing Performing Arts: Rehearsals	Gym/SH/Courts Library PA Block	Library: Homework Club PE: Yr7 & Yr8 Football, Yr7-11 Netball Performing Arts: Grease Rehearsals Additional GCSE: Computer Science	Main Hall ICT 2
Wednesday	PE: Football, Table Tennis, Dodgeball Library: Chess Club Performing Arts: Rehearsals Science: Science Club 	Gym/SH/Courts Library PA Block S1	PE: Girls Football Library: Homework Club Art and Design: Art Club Additional GCSE: Music 	Field/Gym Library T8 Music Room
Thursday	PE: Football, Table Tennis, Dodgeball Library: Tranquil Thursday Performing Arts: Rehearsals Outlet Faith Club 	Gym/SH/Courts Library PA Block T10	PE: Fixtures Library: Homework Club Library: Chess Club PE: Trampoline, Duke of Edinburgh, Yr 10-11 GCSE Dance 	Library Library HALL, ICT Room
Friday	PE: Badminton, Football, Table Tennis Library: Fill-it-in Friday Performing Arts: Rehearsals 	Gym/SH/Courts Library PA Block	PE: Yr7-11 Fitness Suite, BTEC Sport Performing Arts: Rehearsals Staff Sport	Fitness Suite Studio

Extra-curricular clubs and activities are a different way to learn and develop new skills and meet new people often in a less formal and more relaxed atmosphere. Here at Rushden Academy there are many, varied opportunities for students to enjoy. Those students we see take part in extra-curricular, grow morally, culturally and physically. Clubs are at lunch time while others take place after school. Sometimes clubs can lead to residential and reward trips. All our normal club sessions are free.

Homework Timetable

Key Stage	Year Group	Week 1					Week 2				
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	7	MFL	Science MFL	History	English Mathematics	Geography	English	Science	Geography History	Mathematics	MFL
	8	Science	English	Geography History	French	Mathematics	Science French	English	Geography History	French	Mathematics
4	9	French Option BY	Mathematics	English	Science Option A	History Geography Option BX	French Option BY	Mathematics	English	Science Option A	History Geography Option BX
	10	History X Geography X	French X History Y Geography Y	Mathematics Science	English French Y	Option A Option B	History X Geography X	French X History Y Geography Y	Mathematics Science	English French Y	Option A Option B
	11	Mathematics Science		Option C	Option B	English Option A	Mathematics		Option C	Option B Option D	English Option A

At Key stage 3 occasionally a class will not have the subject on the day above. Homework will be set on the lesson closest to the one stated above.

Subjects at KS3 that have one or two lessons a cycle will have homework set during the lesson when it occurs.