

21st September 2018

Rushden Academy Newsletter



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Message From the Principal

Team Rushden - United we stand, divided we fall

Good afternoon

I hope that you have seen the 5 minute Tove Learning Trust film that is now on our website. It gives you an idea of how we work together and a sense of how our trust operates in order to get the best results for our pupils. You might even recognize some of the team especially those preparing for last year's Grease production.

This week's assembly has been all about Team Rushden's culture and thinking about what our values and expectations are. Mr Middleton shared some examples of what is, and isn't acceptable in some countries, for instance something simple like a thumbs up can mean great here and yet in other countries it is perceived as an insult. The assembly made us

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Principal's Message Continued...

think about the importance of our British values and how tolerant and respectful we should be of others. During our assemblies we endeavor to share important messages, each year group has a weekly assembly led by a senior leader and a weekly briefing led by their Head of Year. They help to remind us of the important things in life and it is a time to share our high expectations. We also reward good behavior, attendance and pupils' effort during these year group meetings too.

We are currently putting together a year 11 intervention timetable and the mock exam timetables for y10 and y11, these will be displayed on our website. We have calculated the number of school days to mock exams for y11 and school days to their real y11 GCSE exams. We will be sharing these countdown days with y11 pupils to emphasize the need to get into good routines now, for example to complete homework, to practice exam questions, to read through specifications, to attend period 6s and to make their own revision notes at home.

From Monday 24th September it is 50 days until the December mocks, 98 days until the March mocks and 134 days until 14th **May which is year 11's first GCSE exam**. No time to lose! In fact this applies to every year group. Pupils are here to gain a good education and become a fully rounded citizen so that they can enjoy life beyond Rushden Academy.

This year we have a wide range of trips on offer, many opportunities for careers advice and guidance and a rich and varied extra-curricular programme available. Pupils are encouraged to participate fully in the provision and we will ensure that we keep you updated each week.

From time to time, the press and other camera crews visit the school to take photographs and film footage of newsworthy events. These have been used, for example, in the school's prospectus, on the website, for power point presentations on public evenings and training events for teachers. If you do not wish your son/daughter's picture to be used in photographs or video clips please make sure that you make this clear on Rushden Academy data sharing consent form.

I am really looking forward to meeting prospective y5 and y6 parents on 8th October and sharing the journey of Team Rushden. I will of course mention that year y11 achieved record results this summer, some of the best GCSE results this school has achieved! In fact some of the results were better than pupils achieved nationally and we will continue to repeat this. It is very clear that we want the best for all of our pupils, please do come and visit us and see how well we are doing.

Kind regards

Mrs J Burton
Principal

How 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.

- ◆ 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 (the one Rushden Academy contacts you on) to 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 school 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.

Mr P Bocking
Assistant Principal

The Addams Family Update

This week we had our first rehearsal, with full cast and crew getting to know each other and the ensemble learning the first number!

We are really looking forward to the recall auditions on Friday.

The Performing Arts Team

Thank You to Park View Motors

Thank you to Park View Motors for displaying our open evening poster. Our open evening is on Monday 8th October 6:30pm.



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**Open Evening Monday 8 October 2018
commencing at 6.30pm**

We warmly invite you and your family to experience the transformation at Rushden Academy. We are part of a highly successful trust, Tove Learning Trust, and this year our year 11's achieved record results.

Come and meet Team Rushden and see what our students and staff say, come and experience what routinely happens at Rushden Academy.

**To reserve your place on an Academy tour with the Principal call
01933 350391**



TOVE LEARNING TRUST

Who's New to Team Rushden

Name: Mr J Brainwood

Date joined Team Rushden: April 2018 (returned after a few years away!)

Faculty/ job role: Teacher of Science/ Cultural Capital Development Officer

About me: Is there a saying that, 'All roads lead to back to Rushden'? It appears that way, having left my Head of PE post at the Academy in 2014 I have returned to join the Science faculty. Sadly, age catches up with all of us, and I had to hang up my PE kit and retrain wearing a lab coat. Sport still remains a major part in my life. In my competitive rugby days, before the game turned professional, I played at Harlequins, in London. Now I am just a very frustrated spectator, although my exercise has turned into weekly Latin and ballroom sessions. I am still holding off purchasing the sequined top and fake tan!



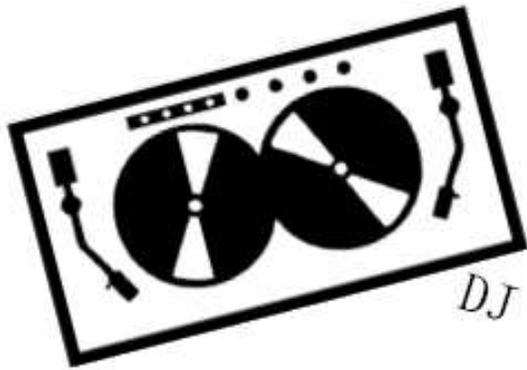
Name: Miss C Wiles

Date joined Team Rushden: April 2018

Faculty/ job role: Head of Science

About me: I have been teaching science for 11 years, and understand the struggle that students have studying science, having been told by my science teacher many years ago that I wasn't very good at it! It just shows that with determination and a passion for the subject you can achieve! My aim as head of department is not only to guide students through their exams but for them to leave Rushden Academy with an enquiring mind. Science is just about being brave enough to ask the right questions and having the determination to experiment and try again until you get an answer. I love how science can make the world make sense and make it totally confusing at the same time! I also love to run, kickbox and tapdance - a random selection of hobbies I know.





DJ



Piano

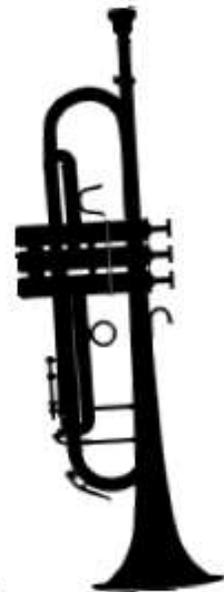
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an instrument
at Rushden
Academy!

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Guitar



Brass



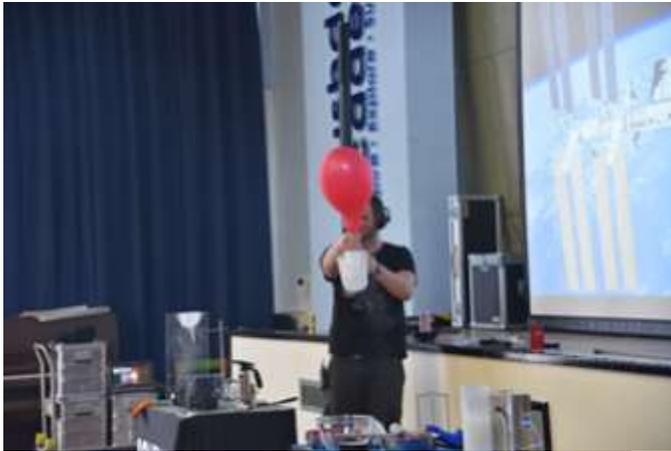
Drum Kit



Strings

Science Show

Students in year 9 and 10 were treated to a fantastic, loud and at times a little bit smelly show by the science museum. The show is to coincide with a trip for 60 lucky students to visit an exhibition on the Soyuz Capsule next week at Peterborough Cathedral. The hour long show included many explosions to explain to students Newton's 3 laws and how forces link closely to space travel. Students also learnt about rocket fuel and space food.



MFL News

It's been a busy start to the new academic year in MFL. We have re-launched our Target Language competition where students earn points for using French or German in their lessons. These points add up, not only in their teams in class, but count towards a whole year group total. Winners last week were Year 7 with 58 points.

We are also nominating students of the week for each year group from our classes, based on effort and attitude to learning. Harry Craven, Brodie Pickard, Josie Corr, Lara Bullock and Liam Pilcher were our first set of students who have impressed us with their start to the academic year.

Lunchtime clubs are now up and running every lunchtime in the Languages Hub. We have something for everyone with games, music and French films. Students from all years groups are welcome to bring their lunch along and join in.

And finally, looking ahead we have the European Day of Languages on 26th September. We will be celebrating with a whole week of language related activities – students need to watch the notice boards for more information.

Rushden Academy Awards Evening - Thursday 27th September

Our Academy 'Oscars' is set to go ahead next Thursday and excitement is mounting within the school – here are a few key reminders

- ◆ Our student award winners need to arrive in the Gym to register no later than 6pm
- ◆ Parents/carers should be seated by 6.15pm in readiness for the opening 'welcome' by the Head Boy and Girl
- ◆ Please make sure you have confirmed attendance as seats are limited and we cannot guarantee that late requests can be accommodated
- ◆ We would encourage wherever possible that only 1 seat is requested rather than two based on the restrictions set by our health and safety measures and insurance
- ◆ There will be an opportunity to take personal photos at the end of the evening
- ◆ All trophies awarded must be returned by the end of the evening for display
- ◆ It is anticipated that the evening will end at approx. 7.30pm

We are really looking forward to presenting our awards to our worthy student winners from 2017-18

Mr R Middleton
Vice-Principal

School Trips Open to Year 7's

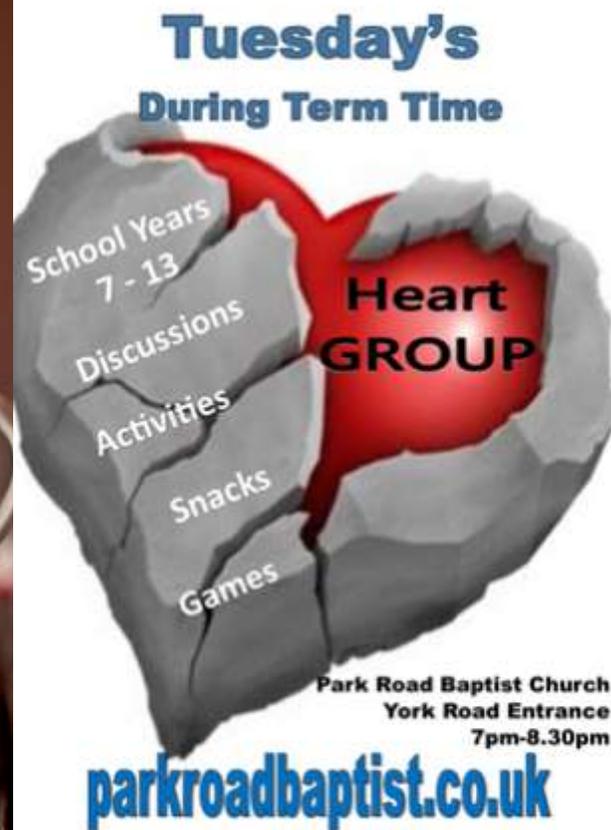
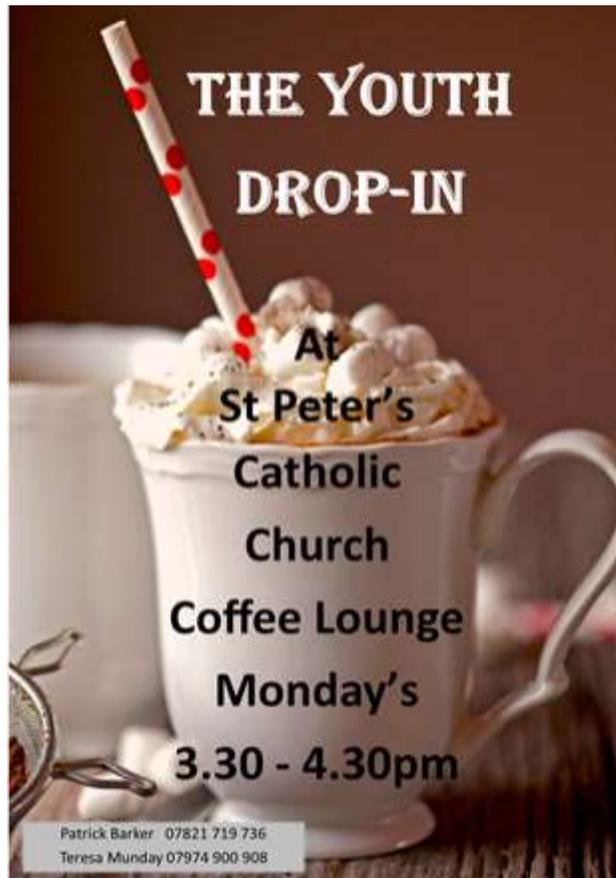
A day trip to France on 12th July 2019 and a residential visit to Boppard, Germany in October 2019 are open to year 7 students. For more information please talk to Mrs Brainwood or download the trip letters from the school website.

ParentPay

Rushden Academy is now a cash free school. From this point forward all trip payments are now only accepted through ParentPay. Logins for ParentPay can be obtained from the IT department.

Move to Google Drive

Over the next month Rushden Academy will be moving some of our processes, such as email and file storage, to G-Suite. This should be a seamless transition with a short period of down time. We will provide you with more information closer to the transition date.



PE ACTIVITIES SUMMER 2018



AFTER SCHOOL (3.30-4.30pm)

MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI
All Boys & Girls DANCE Main Hall (CP)	All Boys FOOTBALL Field (CS, AM, SH)	All Boys & Girls FITNESS (PE STAFF)	All Boys & Girls MULTI-GAMES Sports Hall (PE STAFF)	HAVE A GOOD WEEKEND!
All Boys & Girls FITNESS Fitness Suite (Commando Joes)	All Girls NETBALL Courts (RBE, RBU)	All Girls FOOTBALL Field (MLB)		
All Boys & Girls RUGBY Field (BS)	NETBALL AND FOOTBALL FIXTURES	Yr10 – 13 DofE PE1 (BS)		

*Please see the fixtures board for the latest fixture-lists and team news

LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES



	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI
SPORTS HALL	ALL YEARS BADMINTON (SF)	Year 7/8 DODGEBALL (RBE/AM)	Year 9 DODGEBALL (SH)	Year 10/11 DODGEBALL (RAB)	ALL YEARS BADMINTON (CS)

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.

University of Northampton Opportunities

At Rushden Academy we work with the University of Northampton to offer learning and enrichment opportunities both inside and outside of the academy. The opportunities are used to improve motivation, knowledge, resilience and aspirations amongst others. In order to be involved we will securely share some information with the University, this data will then be stored on a password protected server.

If you have any questions please contact the University by phone or look at www.ico.org.uk as stated at the bottom of the privacy notice below.

Mr T Billam
Assistant Principal

EMWPREP East Midlands Widening Participation Research and Evaluation Partnership

EMWPREP privacy notice

If your child/dependant is taking part in a Higher Education Provider outreach or recruitment activity, to ensure this and any further activities they take part in are useful, effective and reaching the right young people, we need to gather certain information (including information about your child/dependant's ethnicity and disability) which will be analysed and used by the East Midlands Widening Participation research and Evaluation Partnership (EMWPREP) and associated partners for research purposes only.

EMWPREP is a collaboration of Midlands-based Higher Education providers that offers a targeting, monitoring and evaluation service for the outreach initiatives delivered by each partner. Detailed information on EMWPREP and how we collect and use the data can be found at: www.emwprep.ac.uk/data-sharing-policy.

For research purposes we may share the data held on this form with one or more of the following receiving organisations:

- partner Higher Education providers in the Midlands
- your child/dependant's school or college
- your child/dependant's school or college's Local Authority
- third-party activity providers working with partner Higher Education providers in the Midlands, and
- third party data processors working with partner Higher Education providers in the Midlands

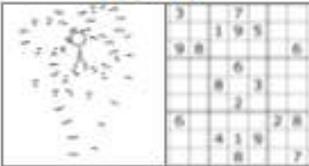
EMWPREP and the receiving organisations may then link data from this form to additional educational data about your child/dependant (including Department of Education attainment data held on the National Pupil database, ILP records, UCAS record and/or HESA student records). We may access data and use it to monitor the impact of our activities.

Any personal data we collect will only be share with the partners mentioned above. All research publications will be anonymised so individuals cannot be identified and the data will not be used for any other purpose. Data will be processed in accordance with the relevant data protection legislation. Members of the Pathways Consortium will rely on either 6(1)(e) or 6(1)(f) according to their interpretation of the regulation. This will be clarified as soon as clear guidance emerges from the ICO. For more information, please see www.ico.org.uk/ or call 01509 223462.

Upcoming PE Fixtures

Week	FOOTBALL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1		17-Sep	18-Sep	19-Sep	20-Sep	21-Sep
	HUXLOW	9BOYS FOOTBALL (A)	9BOYS FOOTBALL (A)		8BOYS FOOTBALL (A)	
2		24-Sep	25-Sep	26-Sep	27-Sep	28-Sep
	WEAVERS	8BOYS FOOTBALL (A) 9&10 NETBALL @MANOR	8BOYS FOOTBALL (A) 9&10 NETBALL @RUSHDEN	10BOYS FOOTBALL (A) Yr9 RUGBY @ R&HRFC (ALL SCHOOLS) 12PM	9BOYS FOOTBALL (A)	
1		01-Oct	02-Oct	03-Oct	04-Oct	05-Oct
	SCH		9&10 NETBALL @RUSHDEN		9BOYS FOOTBALL (A)	
2		08-Oct	09-Oct	10-Oct	11-Oct	12-Oct
	MANOR	OPEN EVENING	10BOYS FOOTBALL (A) 9&10 NETBALL @FERRERS	9BOYS FOOTBALL (A) SG Yr 7/8 Dodgeball Boys @ Weavers	8BOYS FOOTBALL (A) 11-12 OPEN EVENING	
1		15-Oct	16-Oct	17-Oct	18-Oct	19-Oct
	WRENIN		8 BOYS FOOTBALL (A) SG Rowing @ Huxlow 9&10 NETBALL @RUSHDEN	10 BOYS FOOTBALL (A)		End of Term

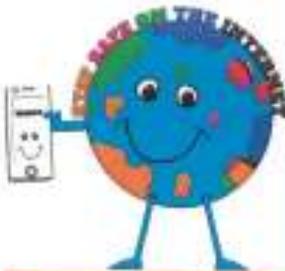
Lunch-time Activities in the Library

Day	Activity
Monday 	Philosophy Club – Debate & discuss some issues that may affect you...would you eat a sheep if it could talk??
Tuesday 	Short Story Writing – Have some fun making up stories with other students...there will be competitions!
Wednesday 	Chess Club – with the help of our chess expert, Mr. Sims, come and learn or develop your chess skills.
Thursday 	Tranquility – come and have a quiet read, a quiet draw or get on with some homework...quietly.
Friday 	Fill-it-in Friday – Take one of our tricky word searches, dot-to-dot, colouring pages or other puzzles to try and complete.

The Library is available for students to do homework or Accelerated Reader (AR) quizzes every day before school, break and lunch-time.



TARGET



Service Six

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 21 years of age, with most between 9 and 17 years. 799 young people responded to semi-structured questionnaires and they told us:

- 27% are regularly bullied and online by strangers
- 30% have received pornography involving them
- 26% have had pornography
- 19% have been asked to meet strangers
- 6% have met strangers
- 22% reported to an adult

Furthermore disadvantaged young people are:

- 6% more likely to receive sexually explicit images or videos
- 6% more likely to send out sexually explicit images or videos
- 27% more likely to send out sexually explicit material willingly
- 22% 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 in graphics 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:

07774 053209

Email:

helpline@targetonline.co.uk

Facebook:

Onix Target



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Extra Curricular Timetable 2018-19

	Lunch Time 1:15pm - 1:45pm	Room	After School	Room
Monday	MFL Film Club Performing Arts - Open Block	Languages Hub PA Block	Study Club (3:10pm - 4pm)	Library
Tuesday	MFL Games Performing Arts - Open Block	Languages Hub PA Block	Study Club (3:10pm - 4pm) GCSE Art & Photography Club (3:10pm - 4:15pm) Addams Family Rehearsal (3:10pm - 5pm) Backstage Crew (3:10pm—5pm)	Library T10 Main Hall
Wednesday	Spanish Games Performing Arts - Open Block Computing Club	Languages Hub PA Block IT2	Study Club (3:10pm - 4pm) Chess Club (3:10pm - 4:pm)	Library Library
Thursday	MLF Games Performing Arts - Open Block The Outlet	Languages Hub PA Block The Hub	Study Club (3:10pm - 4pm)	Library
Friday	MFL Film Club Performing Arts - Open Block	Languages Hub PA Block	General Show Rehearsal (3:15pm - 5pm)	Main Hall



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