Rushden Academy Newsletter

Aspire, Explore, Succeed

26/05/2023

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Team Rushden - United we stand, divided we fall

Dear Parent / Carer

It has been a very busy end to the term with lots of different activities taking place across the school. I can't believe there is just one term left of the year; it has genuinely flown by! However, every single day of the 5 terms so far, something has happened to remind me just how fantastic



the students and teachers are here and it is a real privilege to lead the school.

There was no rest for the Year 11s as they continued their busy exam schedule with various exams taking place this week including their second English Literature paper and their physics paper. Similarly, many of our Year 13 students were also undertaking various A level examinations this week.

Heads of Year led the assemblies to their respective Year Groups and gave out a large number of awards for both student conduct and attendance which is always a nice way to end a term.

Our final workshops of the term were aimed at Year 9 students and focused on the topic of County Lines. This is a topic that forms part of the statutory Relationships and Sex Education programme and the workshops helped students to recognise activity which could be associated with County Lines whilst also providing advice about what to do if they have concerns about friends being involved.

Wednesday was Fun on the Field which was another opportunity for students to be rewarded for their conduct and attendance. There were bouncy castles and inflatables along with music for students to enjoy and the glorious weather made it an even more enjoyable experience.

On Thursday evening, we welcomed a large number of you into the academy for Rushden's Got Talent 2023. There were 7 fantastic acts that performed in the competition with both dancing and singing skills on display. Once again, I was in genuine awe at the incredible talent of our students as well as their confidence to perform in front of such a large audience. Miss Montgomery also performed in the competition performing a stunning operatic piece which was thoroughly enchanting. Any of the 7 acts would have been worthy winners but a big congratulations to Samuel who took the title with his evolution of dance performance.

Whatever you have planned for your children next week, I hope you have a lovely time.

Yours sincerely,

Mr B Baines Principal

Online Safety: Omegle

We have had reports from parents that some of our students are using the social media platform - OMEGLE

Omegle advertises itself with the strapline "Chat with random strangers online - it's fun, it's a new experience every time."



On their own site Omegle states: "predators have been known to use Omegle, so please be careful."

For more detail visit Internet Matters (link below) but please ask your children whether they are using this platform and talk to them about the dangers of communicating with strangers online.

https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/news-blogs/what-is-omegle-what-parents-need-to-know/ #:~:text=Its%20site%20states%20%E2%80%9Cpredators%20have,personal% 20information%20online%20with%20strangers.

Lost Property

Please remind your children to check lost property in main reception if they misplace any items.

Any items that remain unclaimed for more than 4 weeks are donated to our internal spare uniform supplies or to local charities.



This Term in Geography

As part of their Urbanisation and Migration unit, Year 8 Geographers have been learning about how cities develop. They have learned about the favelas in Rio and the changes Singapore made to become socially, economically and environmentally sustainable and are now working in teams to apply that knowledge.

They are working as groups of urban architects and planners to design a new sustainable city in Brazil. The city is similar to Rio de Janeiro or Singapore before it was regenerated and must be socially, environmentally and economically sustainable. Each member of the group is responsible for either social, economic or environmental sustainability and there is a list of building regulations the teams need to abide by such as not building key infrastructure near rivers or oceans in case of flooding and providing enough housing for the city's four million residents.

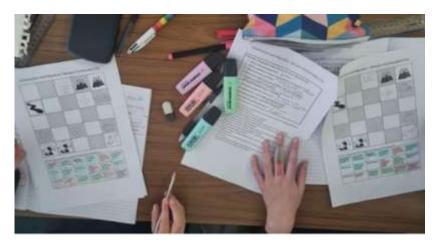
This project is designed to make students 'think like a geographer' and see how the skills they use in class can be useful in the wider world. Already there are some phenomenal cities being planned so I look forward to watching their presentations.





Keep aiming high Year 8!

Miss J Kinsman Head of Humanities



Dinner with Rushden Rotary

On Wednesday a small group of year 9 students, Mr Smith and myself had the pleasure of attending the Rushden Rotary Club meeting at The Stanwick Hotel to give feedback to the members on the Prison, Me? No Way! Day that was held back in March.

The event is very kindly and generously funded by the Rushden Rotary Club each year and without their support, our students would miss out on the strong messages delivered by the Prison, Me? No Way! team.



Kieran, Logan, Xander and Lucie overcame their nerves to stand in front of over 30 Rotarians and give a short speech on what they had enjoyed about the day and the impact it had on them.

They were congratulated afterwards by many of the attendees and both Mr Smith and I were incredibly proud of how they had represented the Academy.

We look forward to hosting the event again next year with the support of the Rotary Club.

Mrs G Brainwood & Mr A Smith



Year 7 District Athletics

We took a team of keen Year 7s over to Wollaston this week to take part in the district athletics competition. There were 6 schools in attendance so it was a tough field.

On the track we started off with a fantastic win in our first race with Imogen winning the girls 200m. It was a close race and she dug deep over a tough distance for Year 7. Well done Imogen!

We then had Taylor and Elliot running in the 800m. They both went off quick and Taylor took the lead by some distance right at the start and Elliot was a close second. Some doubted they would keep that quick pace over the full 800m but they did and Taylor came in first with an amazing time of 2min 40 seconds and Elliot was a close second with an impressive 2min 50 seconds. Well done on this fantastic achievement boys!

We continued with some more great efforts on the track from Eisha, Lewis, Harvey, Persephonie and Leila. We finished with a fab relay from the girls coming 4th and the boys team earning 3rd place.

We also had some great efforts in the field from Kai too and a great result from Charlie earning a second in the Javelin. Well done Charlie!

We were so impressed and proud with the team's performance and their overall attitude and effort throughout. They also supported each other and their fellow competitors showing a real Team Rushden attitude. Well done guys!



Sport Leadership Event

On Tuesday afternoon we hosted the Primary School Cricket Festival with 4 of our feeder schools attending: Whitefriars, Higham Ferrers Juniors, South End and Henry Chichele.

Our team of Sports Leaders including Callum R, Callum E, Oliver S, Sam P, Dempsey D, Kieran M, Ben R, Luke C, Elliott C and Finley M were fantastic as always and received some really good feedback from the Primary Schools and Ed.

As part of their roles they had to umpire, score and help coach the younger students, showing vast amounts of encouragement throughout.

They were a credit to the academy and yet again demonstrated their leadership skills and qualities to the highest level!





Police Surgeries During June

Officers from your East Northants Neighbourhood Policing Team will be holding the following Surgeries using our Police Beat Bus in Rushden next month:



Saturday 10th June

10am-Midday at Rushden Lakes (near Greggs)1-2.30pm at Waitrose Car Park, Crown Park

Tuesday 27th June

10am-Midday at Asda Car Park Washbrook Road 1-2.30pm at Sainsburys Car Park High St. South



Northamptonshire Neighbourhood

Alert

Please feel welcome to visit us to discuss any issues that may be causing you concerns.

Rushden Academy SAS... Coming Soon...



Introducing the New 6th Form Leadership Team

We are proud to announce the new 6th Form leadership team..... Head Boy: James Head Girl: Lucy Deputy Head Boy: Cody Deputy Head Girl: Joanna KS4 Leader: Alicia & Amy KS3 leaders: Jay Charity leaders: Malachi, Jakub & Angelina





Watch this space for news about their ideas and upcoming events!!!

Mrs A Owen Assistant Principal Director of KS5

Freedom Leisure



junior dodgeball

Thursdays (Term Time only)

£4 a session

7 - 13yrs

4 - 5pm Pemberton Centre, Rushden

For more information please contact: Jackie Ackroyd - Active Communities Coordinator Jackie Ackroyd@freedom-leisure.co.uk

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To book contact: The Pemberton Centre 01933 350324 www.freedom-leisure.co.uk





Xplorer is a family friendly navigation challenge that is educational and fun and gives children a sense of adventure as they explore the park to find markers.

Summer 2023 events:

- Wednesday 26th July 2 4pm: Thrapston, Peace Park (NN14 4jU)
 Thursday 27th July 10am 12pm: Twywell, Hills and Dales
- (NN14 4AW) * please note postcode will take you nearby, Hills and Dales is located on the road to Cranford from J11 from A14.
- Friday 28th July 10am 12pm: Rushden, Hall Park (NN10 9ES)

£1 per child

For more information contact: jackie.ackroyd@freedom-leisure.co.uk

01933 352981



Performing Arts Update



Drama:

Year 8 have been completing some Elizabethan assessments with Shakespearan scripts. They have been analysing the language and considering how to communicate meaning to an audience. We have also been learning about a thrust staging type which has an audience on 3 sides of the stage. The students have been learning how to tackle this challenge and how the use of movement is important within staging types.

Dance:

Year 9 students have been looking at the Roles and Responsibilities within a dance production. The students have been involved in various explorative tasks including a role of a Choreographer, Costume Designer and Dancer. Students have shown good commitment towards fulfilling their role each lesson and have produced some very good choreography, costume designs and performances to an audience.

Music:

Year 7 students have been forming their bands this week and choosing a Pop song to perform. Within their bands students have been assigning roles and taking on performance roles or drummers, keyboard players, ukulele players and vocalists. Students have the option of 7 different songs including Riptide, Shotgun, Demons, Call Me Maybe, Ocean Eyes, I Want It That Way and Budapest. Students never fail to surprise us with their knowledge of songs and we have had many a sing along this week while learning individual parts.

Performing Arts Career of The Week: Pattern Cutter

Pattern cutters create pattern templates based on drawings from a fashion designer to make clothes.

- follow the designer's notes and instructions
- drape and pin material pieces onto a dummy to get the right fit, then cut out a pattern based on the pieces
- alter and shape flat, standard pattern 'blocks' into a style
- modify non-standard pattern 'bases' taken from the company's pattern library
- work with machinists to make up product samples
- use computer-aided design programs to make up patterns
- use traditional hand-drawing methods
- check quality
- work with designers and garment technologists to produce a final pattern ready for production

Estimated Annual Salary: £18,000-£30,000 per year



Performing Arts Update

Rushden's Got Talent:

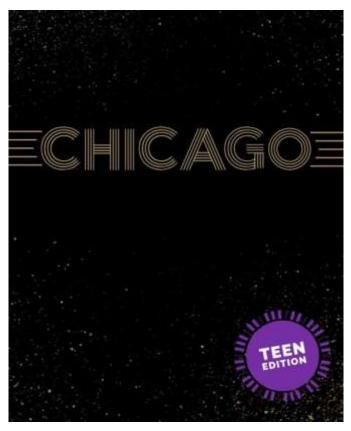
This week saw the return of the much anticipated Rushden's Got Talent. There were some amazing acts that absolutely blew us away and thoroughly impressed the audience and the judges. It always impresses us how much talent Rushden has and the confidence of some of our students to go out and do their best! Congratulations to Sam C who blew us away with his Evolution of Dance piece! A very well deserved win.

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

Coming next term....

Keep an eye out for updates on our whole school musical, Chicago, and for information on when ticket sales open!



Hair & Beauty at Rushden Academy

Please be aware we are a training salon, so appointments may be cancelled due to absences of the students.

Your hair and beauty services will be carried out by a student and will be supervised by a member of staff.

Treatments that are offered will vary, dependant upon the assessment criteria that is needed at the time by the students.

The prices for colouring does not include a cut, but does include a finish.

For any treatments with colour, a skin test needs to be completed 24-48 hours prior to the services.

Call us to book your appointment or for further enquires 01933 417858

Beauty Price List

Facial treatments	
Cleanse and make up	£8.00
Facial with cleanse and mask	£6.00
Luxury facial	£7.00
Holistic treatments	
Massages:	
Indian head massage (30mins)	£7.00
Indian head massage (45mins)	£8.00
Hot stone (back only)	£8.00
Hot stone (full body)	£12.00
Full body massage	£11.00
Back, neck & shoulder massage	£7.00
Body treatments	
G5 massage	£9.00
Infrared	£5.00
Manicure & pedicure	
Mini manicure (file/polish)	£3.50
Manicure	£5.00
Luxury manicure	£7.00
Mini pedicure (file/polish)	£3.50
Pedicure	£5.00
Luxury pedicure	£7.00
Re varnish	£3.00
Nail art extra	£3.50

Hair Price List	Level 2	Level 3
Styling		
Wash & blow-dry/set	£5.00	£6.00
Ladies cut	£5.00	£10.00
Restyle	£8.00	£12.00
Wash, cut & finish	£10.00	£13.00
Restyle and finish	£8.00	£15.00
Gents	£5.00	£7.00
Conditioning treatment (with finish)	£10.00	£12.00
Colouring		
Quasi permanent colour		
Full head - short hair (long hair)	£12.00 (£16.00)	£16.00 (£20.00)
Semi permanent:		
Semi permanent - short hair (long hair)	£10.00 (£13.00)	£11.00 (£14.00)
Colouring and permanent tinting		
Full head - short hair (long hair)	£13.00 (£19.00)	£20.00 (£25.00)
Roots only	£10.00	£13.00
Roots & refresh - short hair (long hair)	£13.00 (£20.00)	£20.00 (£25.00)
Highlights/Lowlights		
With cap	£12.00	£15.00
Woven - short hair (long hair)	£22.00 (£27.00)	£27.00 (£30.00)
T-section - short hair (long hair)	£12.00 (£17.00)	£20.00 (£25.00)
Flashes (per pack)	£3	.00
Lightening products bleach		
Full head - short hair	£22.00 (£25.00)	£25.00 (£28.00)
Spectrum (specialised tonal highlighting) extra £8.00	
Extras		
Colour mousse - £1.00		
Eraser colour remover & colour correction	on - (Consultation n	leeded)
Toner - £5 extra on top of the colour ser	vice	



Rushde Acade	en my			LEARNING TRUST
	Lite	eracy Ch	allenge	
Task 1: Fill in	the missing vow	vels to give the	word that match	es the definition:
1) a quarter	of the circumfer	ence of a circl	e:Qdr_nt	
2) Multiplied	by four: Q o	dr_pl_c_	t_	
3) . One of fo	our offspring bor	n in a single bi	rth: Q d r _ p	l_t
Task 2: Choo following se		ad- words froi	n Task 1 that fit(s)	each of the
	ures had to be p he four guests.	printed in	to ensure t	nere were
2) We are lea	rning about	in r	naths this week.	
3) My neight	oour is going to b –	e very busy –	she has just given	birth to
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Numeracy Problem of the Week



An examination paper is made by taking 5 large sheets of paper, folding the pile in half and stapling it.

The pages are then numbered in order from 1 to 20.

What is the sum of the three page numbers that are on the same sheet of paper as page number 5?

Last Week's Solution: 5

Join the Google Classroom code f2esulr to submit your answer

Cost of Living	g Support
Warm Spa	aces
Organisation	Opening Times
Salvation Army	Mondays 10am-2pm
St Mary's Church, Rushden	Tuesdays 10am-2pm
Wesleyan Church, Rushden High Street	Wednesdays 10.30am-1.30pm
St Mary's Church, Rushden	Thursdays 12 noon-4pm
Rushden Town Council (Rushden Hall)	Fridays 1.30pm-3.30pm
Rushden Library	Monday-Friday 9am-6pm
	Saturdays 9am-5pm
Hope Methodist Church, Higham Ferrers	Tuesdays 1pm-3pm
St Mary's Church, Higham Ferrers	Thursdays 10am-2pm

Food Bank

Encompass

19-21 Church Street Rushden 01933 733001

Info@encompasscharity.org.uk

NN10 9YU

School are able to make referrals so that you receive additional support

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION INCLUDING FINANCIAL SUPPORT

https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/cost-living

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following students for achieving star of the week.



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Stars of the Week Winners

Well done to everyone who received a nomination for Star of the Week this term.

The prize draw resets after half term! Will you be in with a chance of winning next half terms vouchers?

Make sure you:

- Contribute to lessons - Try your hardest - Are a Team Player - Are respectful

Then who knows, it might be YOU!

The Rules...

- 1. Only one voucher per student.
- 2. The winners will be drawn on a random number generator. Each Star of the week is allocated a number prior to the draw.
- 3. Winners will be emailed to let you know when you can collect your vouchers after half term. The vouchers have been drawn by Mr Smart and Student Reception.
- 4. The draw starts with the £5 vouchers first, followed by the £10 vouchers and then lastly the £15 voucher. This order is to increases the chance of those who have more entries winning the higher voucher. Should you be chosen more than once then you will be awarded the higher value voucher and the voucher that becomes invalid will be redrawn.

GOOD LUCK!



Stars of the Week Winners





KS4 Summer Exam Timetable

	Mon 5th June	Tues 6th June	Wed 7th June	Thurs 8th June	Fri 9th June
AM	English Lang Paper 1		Maths Paper 2		Geography Paper 2
9am	1 hr 55 mins		1 hr 30 mins		1 hr 30 mins
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PM	French Paper 4		History Paper 2 B1-B4	Confingency session in	Biology Paper 2 (CS)
.30pm	F 1 hr 10 mins / H 1hr 20 mins		1 hr 45 mins	the event of national or	1 hr 15 mins
				significant local disruption	Biology Paper 2 (Trp)
				to exams in the UK.	1 hr 45 mins
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	Mon 12th June	Tues 13th June		Thurs 15th June	Fri 16th June
AM	English Lang Paper 2	Chemistry Paper 2 (CS)	Maths Paper 3	History Paper 3	Physics Paper 2 (CS)
9am	1 hr 55 mins	1 hr 15 mins	1 hr 30 mins	1 hr 20 mins	1 hr 15 mins
		Chemistry Paper 2 (Trp)			Physics Paper 2 (Trp)
I		1 hr 45 mins			1 hr 45 mins
PM	Business Paper 2			Confingency session in	Geography Paper 3
.30pm	1 hr 45 mins			the event of national or	1 hr 15mins
				significant local disruption	

<u>28th June 2023</u> Contingency day in the event of national or significant local disruption to exams in the UK. Candidates should be available up to and including this date.

	Mon 5th June	Tues 6th June	Wed 7th June	Thurs 8th June	Fri 9th June
AM	English Lang/Lit Paper 2	Geography Paper 2	Business Paper 2	English Lit Paper 2	Physics Paper 2
9am	2 hrs	2hrs 30 mins	2 hrs	2 hr 30 mins	2 hrs
	BTEC L3 H&SC Unit 3		Spanish Paper 1		Sociology Paper 2
I	1 hr 30 mins		2 hrs 30 mins		2 hrs
	GCSE English Long P1		GCSE Maths Paper 2		BTEC ICT Unit 1
	1 hr 55 mins		1 hr 30 mins		2hrs
РМ	Psychology Paper 3	Maths Paper 1	Biology Paper 1		History Paper 2
1.30pm	2 hrs	2 hrs	2 hrs		1 hr 30 mins
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			2hrs 30 mins	local disruption to	
			2hrs 30 mins	exams in the UK.	
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AM	Chemistry Paper 1	History Paper 3	Business Paper 3	English Lang/Lit Paper 3	Biology Paper 2
9am	2hrs 15 mins	2hrs 15 mins	2 hrs	2 hrs	2 hrs
	GCSE English Lang P2		Spanish Paper 2	Physics Paper 3	
	1 hr 55 mins		2 hrs	2 hrs	
			GCSE Maths Paper 3		
			1 hr 30 mins		
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PM	Computer Science 1	Maths Paper 2	Further Maths FM1	Confingency session in	Further Maths FS1
1.30pm	2hrs 30 mins	2 hrs	1 hr 30 mins	the event of national or significant local	1 hr 30 mins
			Sociology Paper 3	disruption to exams in	
			2 hrs	the UK.	
	Mon 19th June	Tues 20th June	Wed 21st June	Thurs 22nd June	Fri 23rd June
AM	Computer Science 2		Biology Paper 3		Chemistry Paper 3
9am	2hrs 30 mins		2 hrs		1 hr 30 mins
РМ	Chemistry Paper 2	Maths Paper 3			Further Maths D1

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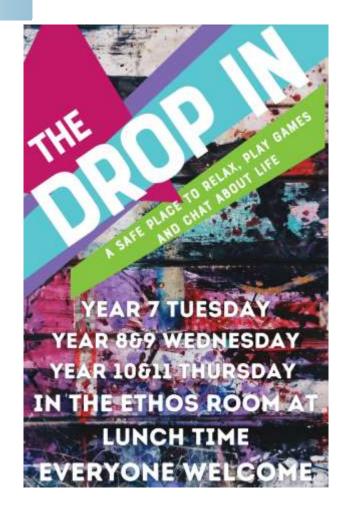
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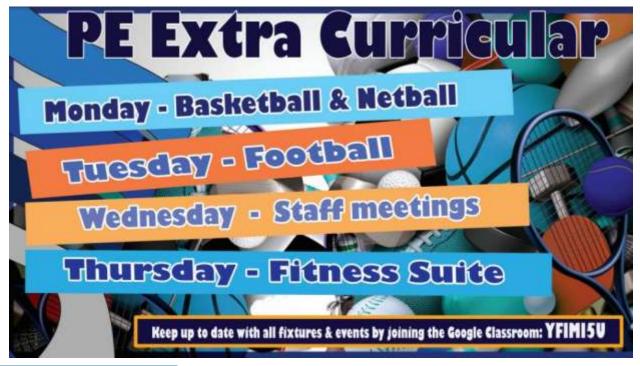
MOCK EXAMS

If you do not have an exam you will be in your normal lessons. For French and German speaking tests you will be given your own individual 30min slot between 26th and 30th June.

SOCIOLOGY (SH) 1hr 45mins	4	COMBINED SCIENCE Biology (SH) 1 hr 15mins TRIPLE SCIENCE Biology (SH) 1 hr 45mins	134	Normal lessons	
ENGLISH LANG Paper 1 (SH) 1hr 55mins	156	MATHS Paper 1 (SH) 1hr 30mins (non-calculator)	156	Normal lessons	
BUSINESS (SH) thr 30 mins	28	COMBINED SCIENCE Chemistry (SH) 1 hr 15mins 134 TRIPLE SCIENCE Chemistry (SH) 1 hr 45mins 22	134 22	Normal lessons	
COMBINED SCIENCE Physics (SH) 1 hr 15mins TRIPLE SCIENCE Physics (SH) 1 hr 45mins:	134	HISTORY (SH) thr 10mins	112	GERMAN LISTENING (VOC) H 45mins F 35 mins	18
GEOGRAPHY (SH) 1hr 30mins	43	MATHS Paper 2 (SH) 1hr 30mins (calculator)	156	Normal lessons	
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Normal lessons		Normal lessons		Normal lessons	
PHOTOGRAPHY 10B (CA6) 2hrs (LH)	26	PHOTOGRAPHY 10B (CAB) 2hrs (LH)	26	PHOTOGRAPHY 10B (CAB) 1hr (LH)	26
GRAPHICS (CA6) 2hrs (LH)	14	GRAPHICS (CA6) 2hrs (LH)	14	GRAPHICS (CA6) 1hr (LH)	14

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









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: <u>g.brainwood@Rushden-academy.net</u>

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 <u>here</u>.

