



Rushden Academy Newsletter

Aspire, Explore, Succeed

26/01/2024

Message From the Principal



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Team Rushden - United we stand, divided we fall

Dear Parent / Carer

At the end of another busy week there is lots to share in relation to what your children have been learning about this week.

Mr Noblett led assemblies for all year groups which celebrated World Religion Day. One of the fundamental British values is tolerance of different values, beliefs and cultures, and Mr Noblett's assembly took students on a virtual tour of different 'temples' from around the world. Students were encouraged to reflect on the rich diversity in different faiths before talking about how our students can demonstrate the value of tolerance within our school community. The closing statements encouraged students to be more curious and actively seek to learn more about the different members within our community, particularly those who may have different beliefs, to ultimately ensure a more inclusive community.

Year 9 students were off timetable all day on Thursday for a 'Building, Healthy Relationships Day' which was organised by our Ethos Team. The students had a fantastic day where they listened to various external speakers and completed various workshops on themes such as healthy online relationships and contraception. All students thoroughly enjoyed the day and the feedback on the sessions was overwhelmingly positive.

Year 13 students have spent the week completing their mock examinations which will offer an important insight into their progress to date. It will also allow teachers to explain their strengths and areas for development in detail so they all know where to focus their efforts as they enter the final run-up to their actual examinations in the summer.

With just 4 weeks until the February mock examinations, Year 11 students have been working hard to ensure that they improve on their grades from December. An update letter will be going to the parents of all Year 11 students updating you on their progress, attendance, conduct summary, and ultimately if they are eligible to attend prom at this stage. There is still time to improve their progress scores but in order to do so we would expect all students to be revising daily at this point in the year.

In relation to Go4Schools which is our online platform, we have looked at which parents and carers are using the platform regularly and this varies greatly across the school. With this platform providing live updates on behaviour, attendance and progress reports, it is important that all parents and carers are using the app so you are kept in the loop regarding your child's day to day school life. If you are having any problems accessing the app, please contact your child's form tutor who will be able to assist you with how to do so.

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Finally, it is a genuine pleasure to see individual students showing a real commitment to their own personal development by earning badges for the Rushden STARR award. There are several silver ties now in circulation and a much greater number of bronze ties. Seeing students wearing these special ties with pride is wonderful to see and reflect a high level of dedication to self improvement.

Have a restful weekend,

Yours sincerely,

Mr B Baines
Principal

This Week in PE

Under 13 Girls Futsal

Yesterday the Year 7 and Year 8 girls went to manor to play futsal against different schools. Each game was 10 mins long.

First we played Ferrers which they won 2:0 against us.

Next we played Huxlow which they won 2:1 and our goal was scored by Freya from Year 7.

The last game was against Manor which we won 1:0 which was again scored by Freya.

The girls who played and the positions were Eisha from Year 8 as goalkeeper, Persephonie, Kya from Year 8 and Kyanne from Year 7 played midfield, Saanvi from Year 8 and Amelia from Year 7 played defence and the two strikers were Oliva and Freya from Year 7.

Overall we came 2nd in the tournament all the girls had fun, were very happy about how they played and did their best. In the end it was a great day.

-Written by Saanvi Year 8

Under 13 Boys Futsal

The boys team won their tournament this week, and will be playing in the Futsal District Final on Thursday against Weavers! Well done boys and we look forward to seeing the results next week!

Lost Property

Please remind your child to check in reception if they have lost anything. We have a selection of items that need to be claimed.

Any items left unclaimed for 6 weeks are donated to our internal uniform stores or local charity shops.

This Week in Food Technology

We have been making an afternoon tea favourite – scones. Sultanas don't appear very popular with many of our students, but we have had some good successes.



Please may I remind parents of the following, in order to help us teach your children.

If we have a practical lesson, there may be optional ingredients you would like to provide from home, but everything to create the dish is supplied for you by the school. Your child **MUST** bring in a container or risk not being able to take food home.

We are governed by the rules of HACCP (Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point) and the following is not an option for me to ignore.

- No false nails or nail varnish
- No facial piercings (all must be removed)
- Long hair must be tied back
- Rings and bracelets must be removed

Sadly, if these steps can't or won't be taken, then your child will not be allowed to stay in the lesson. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Mr J Brainwood

Easter Prize Draw

We are pleased to announce that the Easter Prize Draw is back by popular demand.

It is bigger and better than last year!

Let's go Team Rushden!



EASTER PRIZE DRAW

GREGGS **Nando's**

£300 WORTH OF VOUCHERS
Split into £5, £10, £20 vouchers

HEAVENLY DESSERTS
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Various Easter Eggs up for grabs too!

As stated in Mr Firth's assembly at the start of the year we have attendance rewards each full term. Reasons such as medical and religious etc are taken into account.
Criteria (04/01-22/03):

- 93-94.9% - 1 Entry into the prize draw
- 95-96.9%- 2 Entries
- 97%-100%- 5 Entries

Please note if you are suspended internally or externally then you will be disqualified from the draw. The draw will take place in the last week of March. Good Luck!

This Week in Creative Arts

This week our year 11 students across all the Creative Arts subjects have been working exceptionally well!

Exam projects have started and CA6 has been absolutely buzzing this week with our incredibly motivated cohort. Just take a look at how many of them were in the department just last night, look at those smiling faces!

It has been so wonderful and heart warming to see our students engaging with their projects afterschool volunteering up their own time to do so, a truly fantastic level of commitment.



Team Rushden values ever-present with teamwork, sharing ideas and students helping one another all around.

From all of us in the Creative Arts department - a massive well done!

We look forward to seeing you again next week with more creativity and all the exciting new ideas these projects will bring, keep up the hard work!



Summer Rewards Trips

Team Rushden, are you eligible for our Summer Rewards Trips?

Your attendance and TRPs from October 30th to March 28th will all count, so keep up the hard work! #TeamRushden #Rewards

THE CRITERIA

- **95% AND ABOVE ATTENDANCE**
(MEDICAL/RELIGIOUS ETC ARE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT).
- **300 TRPS OVERALL ONCE NNS HAVE BEEN TAKEN OFF**
- **NO SUSPENSIONS (INTERNAL OR EXTERNAL).**
- **NO OUTSTANDING DETENTIONS AT THE POINT OF CREATING FINAL LISTS.**
- **NO MORE THAN 2 REMOVES**

THE CRITERIA PERIOD WILL RUN FROM OCTOBER HALF TERM UNTIL EASTER AND WAS SHARED IN LAST TERM'S REWARD ASSEMBLY.

**REWARD
TRIPS
2024**



Geography & Business Studies Mash Up - Design Your Own Ethical TNC

Over the last few weeks, the Geography department has teamed up with the Business Studies department to give Year 8 students a taste of setting up their own company.

Geography and Business Studies are closely interlinked as we use a lot of the same skills and terminology so it was lovely to see the students put their learning into action and see how it could help them in life beyond school.

Last term, students studied globalisation and non-ethical companies like those involved in fast fashion and the Rana Plaza disaster. At the start of this term, students learned about ethical companies ready to create their own ethical transnational corporation. Students worked in groups to come up with:

- An ethical product idea and a clear explanation for why they chose it.
- A map showing where they would source, produce and sell their product and why they have chosen those places.
- An advert for their product which promotes how their company would behave ethically in a global market.

Students were encouraged to use a variety of skills which will be useful both in the classroom and also outside of school including creativity, collaboration, commitment, confidence, communication, curiosity and craftsmanship. Some students were even brave enough to present their ideas to the rest of the class at the end of the lesson.

We had some wonderful ideas including:

- A stationery company which would donate pens, pencils and books to a school in a low income country for every purchase you made.
- A jewellery company using lab-grown diamonds instead of those mined through the forced labour of men, women and children in places like the DRC.
- A clothing company which used plastic from the oceans to turn into fashion garments.
- A tech company which used solar-panels to power their factories and their products.
- An ice-cream company which provided plant-based options and avoided using fossil fuels to transport their products.

Other members of staff who were invited to visit our lessons and ask the students about their companies were highly impressed with the thought that had gone into them.

Some students have also expressed an interest in taking Geography or Business Studies (or both!) at GCSE.

Keep aiming high, Year 8!

Miss Kinsman and Mr Smith

Rushden Academy SAS

SAS REMINDER

All squad members have received a consent form to be part of the SAS for the rest of the school year - anyone who hasn't returned theirs by next Wednesday, 31st January, will be removed from the SAS list. We have lots of students who would like to join the team, so will allocate any vacated places to them.



SAS This Week

This week Squad Fizzy Baguette visited The Beeches Care Home and did a quiz with the residents. Who sang the famous 'The White Cliffs of Dover' song? - Vera Lynn!

Squad Phoenix went litter picking and then helped move some gravel to the reflection garden area. Thank you for all your hard work!

#TeamRusden #RASAS #Ethos #GraceFoundation



Rushden Academy's Social Action Squad's (SAS) are always looking for opportunities to help within the community. If you know of anywhere we could help or support please let us know. We are looking for one off opportunities, short term commitments and long term projects.

To contact the Social Action Squad, email socialactionsquad@rushden-academy.net.



Performing Arts Update

Drama:

Year 9 have been continuing looking at devising and creating their own performances. This week we have based the drama around a series of cardboard boxes and asked the students to start thinking about and exploring a story that could come from this. We have seen some good use of explorative strategies and some very clever and unique ideas about the box's origins. Well done year 9.

Dance:

Year 10 dancers have been introduced to their component 2. Students have been set the stimulus of 'Transformation' which they have been busy researching various professional repertoire which clearly highlights their interpretation of the word. It has been a busy week of research in which students have been discussing their potential range of physical skills, technique and quality of movement in various dance genres. All dancers are excited for the challenge ahead.

Music:

Year 7 have been working really hard on using both hands when playing the keyboard and have progressed really well! Those who have previously had lessons on the keyboard have been great team leaders and have enjoyed being able to try the harder melodies.

Year 9 have also been demonstrating key skills when creating their compositions in groups such as: teamwork, communication and determination to develop their skills further this term.

It's also great to see a lot of year 10's going the extra mile in their Btec lessons and taking ownership of their practical and theory work.

High School Musical: School Edition

This week there has been a very big focus on running the opening of the show. The students have been very focused and determined to make sure they are perfecting the first song and the opening scene of dialogue.

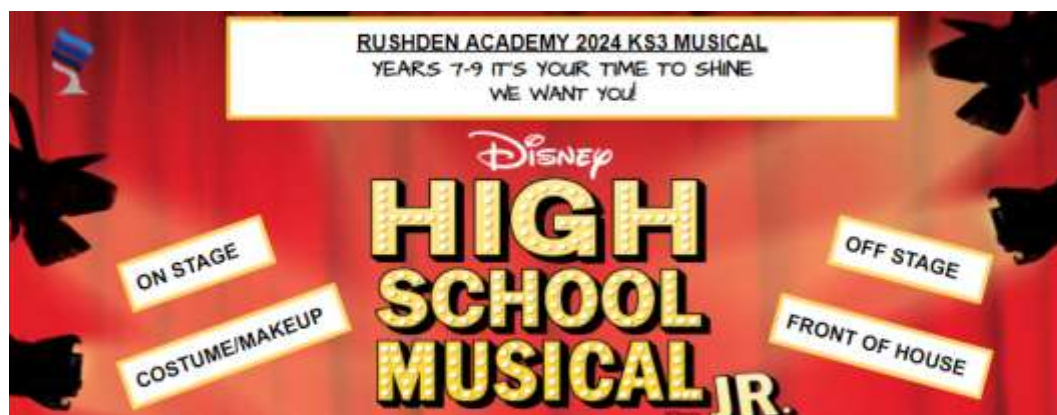
On Thursday there was continuation of the singing practice and the students have thoroughly impressed all of us with their commitment and professionalism. Next week we'll be looking at a new musical number and continuing with our dialogue scenes.

We Will Rock You Musical

We have been looking at multiple musical numbers this week and rehearsing singing the numbers. There has also been more choreography that has been added. All of the cast have been working on their precision and technique and have been showing their commitment.

With our school's addition of Bohemian Rhapsody, the cast have been working through the challenging vocal requirements with Mr Foreman. We will see the continuation of this in the coming weeks.

Performing Arts Update





TRAIN TO TEACH **OPEN EVENT**

Tuesday 13th February 2024

Open evening 5pm - 7pm

GUTP House, Sponne School, Towcester, NN12 6DJ

Please email gutprecruitment@sponne.org.uk with your name and subject of interest to register your attendance

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- Maths*
- PE

*Bursaries available, eligibility criteria applies

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TIME OUT FOR PARENTS



DADS

Workshops for fathers of children up to 16 years

Dates:

Every Sunday 7:30-9:30pm

25th February - 24th March 2024

This course will be run online via Zoom

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Common-sense, jargon-free information
and ideas to help you to engage with your
children and boost your relationship



At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, users and trusted adults with the information to take an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many apps which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit nationalonline-safety.com/parent-guides for further guides, links and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

MYLOL

AGE RESTRICTION
13-19

MyLOL is a free social networking and dating site aimed at teens. Profiles can publicly display users' images and information, including sexual orientation and personal interests. The service bills itself as "the number one teen dating website in the world", claiming to have more than a million users globally. Despite its popularity, the MyLOL app is no longer available from Google Play or the App Store, although the site is still active. In some countries, police forces and schools have previously warned parents about "sinister predators" and "inappropriate activities" on the site.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

FLIMSY AGE GATES

Although MyLOL states it is exclusively aimed at users aged between 13 and 19, there is no credible age verification system to prevent a younger child – or an older adult – from signing up to the platform. Coupled with the fact that it's impossible to establish a user's true identity on MyLOL, this raises a serious concern that the site could be used for grooming.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

MyLOL maintains that it monitors all uploaded images for nudity or sexual content. It also claims to be able to detect suspicious keywords. However, there have been numerous reports of explicit content being found on the platform, with users often posting provocative, semi-nude pictures of themselves and engaging in flirty or sexually explicit conversation.

POTENTIAL CYBER-BULLYING

MyLOL lets users 'vote' on other people based solely on their appearance, much in the same vein as the now-defunct site Hot or Not. This feature could easily lead to distress and bullying, especially if a young person's profile pics receive an unflattering response. Various reviews of MyLOL have noted that bullying frequently becomes an issue in the platform's chat groups and private messages.

IN-APP SPENDING

MyLOL is free to join and use, but it also offers paid-for memberships. Users who have paid money get their profile promoted at the top of the site and in search results. They can also earn additional credits for increased engagement with the platform – such as sharing, replying to messages and voting. At the time of writing, the monthly membership fee was \$9.95 (just under £9).

DATA COLLECTION

According to its privacy policy, MyLOL collects user data including email addresses, contact details and interests. While the company says it is committed to protecting users' privacy, the small print states that information may be shared externally. MyLOL claims to follow procedures to keep data secure, but does not specify what these procedures are, or whether such information is encrypted.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

MyLOL makes it easy to connect with strangers. In fact, the site's rewards feature encourages users to send private messages to people they don't know. There have been several media stories of adults posing as teens on MyLOL to connect with minors, which could lead to extremely dangerous situations, such as a young person meeting up with someone who has been posing under a false identity.

Advice for Parents & Carers

DISCUSS ONLINE DATING

It's vital to talk to your child about the possible dangers of platforms like MyLOL – particularly the threat of online predators. Remind them of the risks of sharing intimate images and information with strangers and emphasise that most people don't realise they're being 'catfished' until it's too late – it really isn't wise for a young person to meet up with someone they've only spoken to online.

RESTRICT IN-APP SPENDING

If your child has access to a bank card or other payment method, they may be enticed into signing up for MyLOL's premium features. Having their profile boosted and receiving more attention could be especially tempting if their friends also use the site. You could consider altering their device's settings to disable internet purchases, or at the very least keeping an eye on their online spending.

EXPLAIN PRIVACY RISKS

Before your child begins using a service such as MyLOL, it's important that they understand the potential pitfalls of giving out their personal data on this type of platform. Explain to them, for example, that they shouldn't divulge any personally identifying information to people who they don't know, as scammers can be quite convincing when attempting to steal someone's identity.

SET UP LOCATION ALERTS

If you're worried that your child may be planning to meet up with someone they've met on MyLOL, you could consider utilising GPS or WiFi location tracking technology to follow their whereabouts in real time. You can even set up a virtual boundary or 'fence' and opt to receive an alert to your phone if your child enters or exits a specified area.

Meet Our Expert

Cathy Hoyle is an experienced technology journalist with a wealth of more than 15 years in the industry. Previously the editor of technology website The Register, Cathy is now a freelance technology journalist, writer and consultant.



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After School Clubs Timetable



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Netball (Year Groups will Train Separately)	Basketball (Year Groups will Play Separately)	Fitness Suite	Football (Year Groups will Train Separately)
<i>Please note, clubs are for boys and girls of all ages, everyone is welcome! Clubs are free and all you need to do is go to the changing rooms after school, get changed and get involved!</i>			

Library Extra-Curricular Activities

Monday

Lunch-time	After-School
	
Board & Card Games	Student Library Assistants Meeting

Tuesday

Lunch-time	After-School
	
Chess	Chess



Wednesday

Lunch-time	After-School
	
Jigsaws	Rushden Academy Newspaper

Thursday

Lunch-Time	After-School
	
Tranquil Thursday - reading, homework, quiet voices	Role-Playing Games

Friday

Lunch-time	After-School
	
Fill-it-in Friday - crosswords, word searches, colouring, sticky note art etc.	Closes at 3.15pm

NB: For any after-school activities you'll need to get a parental consent letter from the Library.

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.

Aiden

You always try your best and are keen to act on feedback to improve your work. This shows hard work and resilience. Well done! Mr Ross



Aged 13-24?

Text the NHFT
Sexual Health team
for confidential
advice and
support!

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Chathealth.nhs.uk
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CONTRACEPTION AND MUCH
MORE!



Numeracy Problem of the Week

There are 81 players taking part in a knock-out quiz tournament.

Each match in the tournament involves three players, and only the winner remains in the tournament.

How many matches are required until there is an overall winner?

Last Week's Solution: 2, 6, 19, 23

Join the Google Classroom code **h2fcjll** to submit your answer



Year 11 February Mock Exam Timetable

If you do not have an exam you will be in your normal lessons.
You will be given a 30 minute slot for French/German speaking mocks.

P1 + P2		P3 + P4		Reg + P5	
MON 26th FEB	COMBINED SCIENCE Physics (SH) 1hr 15mins TRIPLE SCIENCE Physics (SH) 1hr 45mins	134 21	MATHS Paper 1 (SH) 1hr 30mins (non-calculator)	155	Normal lessons
TUES 27th FEB	ENGLISH LIT Paper 1 (SH) 1hr 45mins	155	BUSINESS Paper 1 (SH) 1hr 45 mins CHILDCARE (SH) 1hr 45mins	55 21	GERMAN LISTENING (SH) H 45mins F 35mins
WED 28th FEB	COMBINED SCIENCE Biology (SH) 1hr 15mins TRIPLE SCIENCE Biology (SH) 1hr 45mins	134 21	SOCIOLOGY Paper 1 (SH) 1hr 45mins	74	Normal lessons
THURS 29th FEB	MATHS Paper 2 (SH) 1hr 30mins (calculator)	155	HISTORY Paper 2 (SH) 1hr 45mins	101	Normal lessons
FRI 1st MARCH	ENGLISH LANG Paper 1 (SH) 1hr 55mins	155	CHILDCARE (SH) 1hr 45mins GEOGRAPHY Paper 1/2 (SH) 1hr 30mins	1 41	Normal lessons
MON 4th MARCH	COMBINED SCIENCE Chemistry (SH) 1hr 15mins TRIPLE SCIENCE Chemistry (SH) 1hr 45mins	133 22	BUSINESS Paper 2 (SH) 1hr 45 mins	55	FRENCH LISTENING (SH) H 45mins F 35mins
TUES 5th MARCH	MATHS Paper 3 (SH) 1hr 30mins (calculator)	155	GERMAN SPEAKING SPORT (SH) 1hr 30mins	3 45	GERMAN SPEAKING
WED 6th MARCH	FRENCH SPEAKING GEOGRAPHY Paper 3 1hr (SH) SOCIOLOGY Paper 2 (SH) 1hr 45mins	7 3 74	FRENCH SPEAKING HISTORY Paper 3 (SH) 1hr 20mins	4 101	Normal lessons
THURS 7th MARCH	GERMAN SPEAKING HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE (SH) 2hrs PHOTOGRAPHY 11B (CA6) 2hrs (LH)	4 26 27	GEOGRAPHY Paper 3 1hr (SH) GERMAN SPEAKING PHOTOGRAPHY 11B (CA6) 2hrs (LH)	38 7 27	PHOTOGRAPHY 11B (CA6) 1hr (LH)
FRI 8th MARCH	DRAMA 11C (STUDIO) 2hrs (ALG) PHOTOGRAPHY 11D (CA6) 2hrs (SAN)	26 17	DRAMA 11C (STUDIO) 2hrs (ALG) PHOTOGRAPHY 11D (CA6) 2hrs (SAN)	26 17	DRAMA 11C (STUDIO) 1hr (ALG) PHOTOGRAPHY 11D (CA6) 1hr (SAN)
MON 11th MARCH	ART (CA4) 2hrs (JC) DANCE (HALL) 2hrs (COG) DRAMA 11D (STUDIO) 2hrs (JED) FRENCH SPEAKING GRAPHICS (CA6) 2hrs (LH)	26 16 26 6 15	ART (CA4) 2hrs (JC) DANCE (HALL) 2hrs (COG) DRAMA 11D (STUDIO) 2hrs (JED) FRENCH SPEAKING GRAPHICS (CA6) 2hrs (LH)	26 16 26 6 15	ART (CA4) 1hr (JC) DANCE (HALL) 1hr (COG) DRAMA 11 D (STUDIO) 1hr (JED) GRAPHICS (CA6) 1hr (LH)

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

KS4 Timetable Summer 2024

DRAFT

	Mon 29th April	Tues 30th April	Wed 1st May	Thurs 2nd May	Fri 3rd May
PM 1.30pm				BTEC ICT Unit 3 1 hr 30 mins	
	Mon 6th May	Tues 7th May	Wed 8th May	Thurs 9th May	Fri 10th May
AM 9am		BTEC H & SC Unit 3 2 hrs		BTEC Sport Unit 2 1 hr 30 mins	Biology Paper 1 (CS) 1 hr 15 mins
					Biology Paper 1 (Trp) 1 hr 45 mins
PM 1.30pm					German Paper 1 & 3 F 1hr 20 mins / H 1hr 45 mins
					Sociology Paper 1 1 hr 45 mins
					BTEC Childcare Unit 3 2 hrs
	Mon 13th May	Tues 14th May	Wed 15th May	Thurs 16th May	Fri 17th May
AM 9am	English Lit Paper 1 1 hr 45 mins	French Paper 1 & 3 F 1hr 20 mins / H 1hr 45 mins	History Paper 1 1 hr 15 mins	Maths Paper 1 1 hr 30 mins	Chemistry Paper 1 (CS) 1 hr 15 mins
					Chemistry Paper 1 (Trp) 1 hr 45 mins
PM 1.30pm		Business Paper 1 1 hr 45 mins			Geography Paper 1 1 hr 30 mins
		Chinese Paper 1 & 3 1 hr 50 mins			
	Mon 20th May	Tues 21st May	Wed 22nd May	Thurs 23rd May	Fri 24th May
AM 9am	English Lit Paper 2 2 hrs 15 mins	German Paper 4 F 1 hr 10 mins / H 1hr 20 mins	Physics Paper 1 (CS) 1 hr 15 mins	English Lang Paper 1 1 hr 55 mins	French Paper 4 F 1 hr 10 mins / H 1hr 20 mins
			Physics Paper 1 (Trp) 1 hr 45 mins		
PM 1.30pm		Sociology Paper 2 1 hr 45 mins	Chinese Paper 4 1 hr 25 mins		

	Mon 27th May	Tues 28th May	Wed 29th May	Thurs 30th May	Fri 31st May
	HALF TERM				
	Mon 3rd June	Tues 4th June	Wed 5th June	Thurs 6th June	Fri 7th June
AM 9am	Maths Paper 2 1 hr 30 mins		Geography Paper 2 1 hr 30 mins	English Lang Paper 2 1 hr 55 mins	
PM 1.30pm		History Paper 2 B1-B4 1 hr 45 mins	Business Paper 2 1 hr 45 mins	Contingency session in the event of national or significant local disruption to exams in the UK.	Biology Paper 2 (CS) 1 hr 15 mins Biology Paper 2 (Trp) 1 hr 45 mins
	Mon 10th June	Tues 11th June	Wed 12th June	Thurs 13th June	Fri 14th June
AM 9am	Maths Paper 3 1 hr 30 mins	Chemistry Paper 2 (CS) 1 hr 15 mins Chemistry Paper 2 (Trp) 1 hr 45 mins			Geography Paper 3 1 hr 15mins
PM 1.30pm		History Paper 3 1 hr 20 mins		Contingency session in the event of national or significant local disruption to exams in the UK.	Physics Paper 2 (CS) 1 hr 15 mins Physics Paper 2 (Trp) 1 hr 45 mins
	26th June 2023 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.				

KS5 Timetable Summer 2024

DRAFT

	Mon 29th April	Tues 30th April	Wed 1st May	Thurs 2nd May	Fri 3rd May
AM			BTEC PA Unit 1 3 hrs	BTEC Sport Unit 2 2 hr 30 mins	BTEC Science Unit 3 Part A - 45 mins Part B - 1 hr 30 mins
9am					
	Mon 6th May	Tues 7th May	Wed 8th May	Thurs 9th May	Fri 10th May
AM				BTEC ICT Unit 2B 2 hrs	BTEC Business Unit 2B 3hrs
9am					
PM			BTEC ICT Unit 2A 3 hrs	BTEC Business Unit 2A 2hrs	BTEC Sport Unit 19 2 hr 30 mins
1.30pm					
	Mon 13th May	Tues 14th May	Wed 15th May	Thurs 16th May	Fri 17th May
AM		Business Paper 1 2 hrs	German AS Paper 1 1 hr 45 mins	Geography Paper 1 2hrs 30 mins	Psychology Paper 1 2 hrs
9am			Core Maths Paper 1 1 hr 30 mins	GCSE Maths Paper 1 1 hr 30 mins	BTEC Sport Unit 22 3 hrs
PM	BTEC H&SC Unit 1 1 hr 30 mins		BTEC Sport Unit 1 1 hr 30 mins	BTECBusiness Unit 3 2hrs	BTEC H&SC Unit 2 1 hr 30 mins
1.30pm					BTEC ICT Unit 1 2hrs
	Mon 20th May	Tues 21st May	Wed 22nd May	Thurs 23rd May	Fri 24th May
AM	Sociology Paper 1 2 hrs	Business Paper 2 2 hrs	Psychology Paper 2 2 hrs	History Paper 1 2hrs 15 mins	English Lit Paper 1 2 hr 30 mins
9am	BTEC H&SC Unit 4 3 hrs	German AS Paper 2 1 hr 30 mins		Core Maths Paper 2 1 hr 30 mins	Physics Paper 1 2 hrs
		BTEC Science Unit 1C 40 mins		BTEC CPLD Unit 1 1 hr 45 mins	BTECScience Unit 5P 50 mins
				GCSE English Lang P1 1 hr 55 mins	
PM	Media Paper 1 2 hrs	BTEC Science Unit 1B 40 mins	Fur Maths A Paper 1 1 hr 30 mins	English Lang/Lit Paper 1 1 hr	BTECScience Unit 5B 50 mins
1.30pm			BTEC Science Unit 1P 40 mins	BTEC Science Unit 5C 50 mins	
	Mon 27th May	Tues 28th May	Wed 29th May	Thurs 30th May	Fri 31st May
HALF TERM					

	Mon 3rd June	Tues 4th June	Wed 5th June	Thurs 6th June	Fri 7th June
AM 9am	Geography Paper 2 2hrs 30 mins	Sociology Paper 2 2 hrs	English Lit Paper 2 2 hr 30 mins	Business Paper 3 2 hrs	English Lang/Lit Paper 2 2 hrs
	GCSE Maths Paper 2 1 hr 30 mins			Physics Paper 2 2 hrs	
				GCSE English Lang P2 1 hr 55 mins	
PM 1.30pm	Fur Maths A Paper 2 1 hr 30 mins	Maths Paper 1 2 hrs	Biology Paper 1 2 hrs	Contingency session in the event of national or significant local disruption to exams in the UK.	Further Maths FM1 1 hr 30 mins
	Psychology Paper 3 2 hrs	Media Paper 2 2 hrs	Graphics 2hrs 30 mins		History Paper 2 1 hr 30 mins
	BTEC L3 H&SC Unit 3 1 hr 30 mins				
	Mon 10th June	Tues 11th June	Wed 12th June	Thurs 13th June	Fri 14th June
AM 9am	Chemistry Paper 1 2hrs 15 mins	History Paper 3 2hrs 15 mins	English Lang/Lit Paper 3 2 hrs		Biology Paper 2 2 hrs
	GCSE Maths Paper 3 1 hr 30 mins				
PM 1.30pm	Computer Science 1 2hrs 30mins	Maths Paper 2 2 hrs		Contingency session in the event of national or significant local disruption to exams in the UK.	Further Maths FS1 1 hr 30 mins
		Sociology Paper 3 2 hrs			
	Mon 17th June	Tues 18th June	Wed 19th June	Thurs 20th June	Fri 21st June
AM 9am	Physics Paper 3 2 hrs	Chemistry Paper 2 2hrs 15 mins	Biology Paper 3 2 hrs		Chemistry Paper 3 1 hr 30 mins
PM 1.30pm		Computer Science 2 2hrs 30 mins		Maths Paper 3 2 hrs	Further Maths D1 1 hr 30 mins
26th June 2024 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.					

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How to Access Go4Schools

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

Students and parents can access this at home to keep up to date, by checking timetables and behaviour events. 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, Assistant Principal 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 **contraception** **DRUGS**
exam anxiety
BULLYING family issues
alcohol **SMOKING**
HEALTHY EATING body image
 social networking & cyber bullying
SELF HARM **MENTAL HEALTH**
 relationships

for friendly, helpful advice
 TEXT YOUR SCHOOL NURSE ON
07507 329 600

It's confidential

WELLBEING CAFÉ
 A DROP-IN SERVICE FOR 11-18 YEAR OLDS

OPEN

CHANGE OF VENUE

Book an appointment by calling the number provided or drop in during our opening times.

Tuesdays 4pm - 8 pm
 Rushden Mind
 Phoenix House,
 Skinner's Hill, Rushden
 NN10 9YE
 01933 277520

Support and Advice
 Wellbeing Activities
 Peer Support
 Parent Support is Available

YOUTH WORKS
 Time 2 TALK
 CHAT

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 Argyll St, Corby NN17 9RU
 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 277535

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1:1 SUPPORT AND ADVICE
 ALSO AVAILABLE REMOTELY
 1:1 PARENT SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE

the lowdown
 St Andrew's
 YOUTH WORKS
 CHAT

#weareNHS

CAMHS LIVE
 #MYMINDMATTERS

WE KNOW IT CAN BE HARD TO GET HELP.

CAMHS LIVE CAN BE ACCESSSED VIA YOUR PHONE, TABLET OR LAPTOP AND IS A WEB CHAT. IT IS HERE TO HELP YOU ACCESS THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES YOU MIGHT NEED. SPEAK TO OUR ADVISORS ABOUT THE RIGHT OPTION FOR YOU.

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WWW.NHS.UK/US/0CAMHS/LIVE

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 Where Young Minds Matter

MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR YOU, WITH YOU