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# Rushden Academy Newsletter

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## Message From the Principal

Team Rushden - United we stand, divided we fall

Good afternoon

How vibrant year 11 parents evening was last night with an incredibly high turnout, over 80%! Thank you, thank you. It is fantastic that students are clear about what they need to work on and they say they have all the resources they need.

As ever we are so keen to know how we can help further, after all we are on this journey together.

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## Principal's Message Continued...

As you may be aware I sometimes get to visit other schools and see how they are doing, it gives me an opportunity to test where we are as a school and bring back ideas for us to work on. I would like everyone to be able to say that they know our values which sit below our Team Rushden banner and those are being smart, respectful, hard-working & resilient and obviously being a team player. It makes me smile when a pupil reprimands another and automatically says 'well that's not Team Rushden is it?' I wonder if they ever say this at home?!

Homework is an integral part to school life, it gets our pupils into good habits and prepares them for their exams and possibly the world of work. Using resources like GCSEPod and YouTube to access learning from a different perspective is useful especially to help retain and learn information over time. Practicing exam papers over and over is vital.

We will be publishing assessment information for all year groups in advance of students sitting them so that our pupils can get into good habits and prepare well. We will also have consolidation lessons where we focus on previous learning and skills to help students retain information and apply it in their assessments. The learning for life days will continue to build the skills needed to lead a happy and successful life in modern Britain.

This school is going from strength to strength, we rely on everyone to keep communicating on this, whatever your thoughts are, we will listen and act. The links we have with our trust, Tove Learning is incredibly strong and we are fortunate to be learning from the best. We should be very proud of our achievements to date and without your support we would not be making the progress we are, so once again thank you.

Have a lovely weekend.

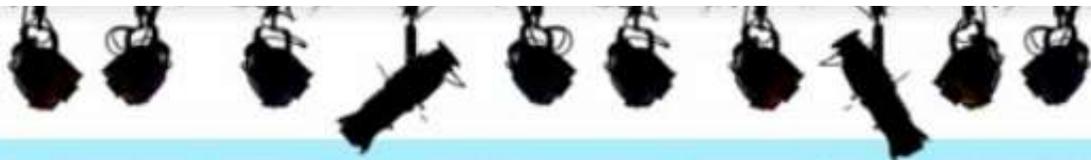
Mrs J Burton  
Principal

## GCSEPod

GCSEPod currently cover 20 subjects across the curriculum, all carefully mapped to the main exam specifications. Provided are ready-made revision playlists for upcoming exams, all available at the touch of a button. There are up to 30 new Pods published every single week and they are committed to an ongoing and proactive publishing programme in response to specification and technology changes.

There is also a page full of resources for parents on how to support your child.

GCSEPod has been proven to assist with learning from year 7-11 in the run up to exams so please access this important resource. All students have been given access, so there is no excuses!



RUSHDEN ACADEMY  
PRESENTS

WEDNESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY - 7.30PM



# PERFORMING ARTS SHOWCASE

A NIGHT OF DANCE, DRAMA  
AND MUSIC FROM Y7-Y13



TICKETS £3  
FROM  
RECEPTION OR  
AVAILABLE ON  
THE DOOR

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## Careers Day for Year 8

This week year 8's Learning for Life day was all based around careers and their futures, especially as they are going to be choosing their GCSE options in the next few months.

The students began discussing what careers they may want to do in the future, what qualifications and skills they will need, and what pathways they can take to reach their career goals. Students then went into the computer rooms and were looking at CV writing, which they can use and build on for the rest of their working lives.

We were fortunate enough to invite in guest speakers from the local company RPC Plastics who spoke to the year group about what jobs and opportunities a local company can offer right on their doorstep. We also had the pleasure of people from other small local businesses talking to the students in their form groups to enlighten them on their journeys into business. The aim of this was to show students what industries are actually out there. We had Thrapston Tiling, AMPS Wine merchants, IMC Pro Solutions, Harmonisation, Enterprising East Northants, RedHead Voiceovers, along with 6 gentlemen from the local rotary group who brought a wealth of experiences with them to share with the students.

Career pathways were the hot topic of the day; looking at GCSE's, A level's at 6th form, colleges, degrees at university, apprenticeships, international companies and what schemes are offered to train people up in companies such as in RPC plastics and McDonalds.

Many of our students did not have a clue what they wanted to do when they are older, but it is good to see and hear the conversations that were going on, hopefully giving them a better vision of who they want to be and where they want to go in life.

Mrs M Blackmore  
Head of Year 8

## Year 10 Learning For Life Day

On Wednesday the 23rd, as part of the Learning for Life Day, the Year 10s had presentations from the Guiding Young Minds (GYM) a group that works to prevent knife crime as well as support victims. Students learned about the laws around knives and how to keep themselves safe. The GYM group also talked about values, that coincide with those that we have here at Rushden Academy, to treat others with respect at all times. If anyone feels that they would like further support from this organization relating to keeping safe from gang or knife crime culture please see Mrs Gurnham for a referral form.

Mrs A Gurnham  
Head of Year 10

Northamptonshire



# YOUNG CARER YOUTH GROUP!

FUNDED BY CHILDREN IN NEED



Crafts - Games - Team Challenges  
Music - Chill Time - Food Crafts

Every Month From  
17:30 - 19:00

CORBY

KETTERING

WELLINGBOROUGH

NORTHAMPTON

DAVENTRY



Contact Rosie about  
coming to a group near you  
07496955802  
(Whatsap Available)



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no. SC039557

## Thank You From Rushden Sanctuary

Just before Christmas the Year 8s pulled together and donated bags of food to the local homeless shelter in Rushden along with some coats that had been in lost property for months. It was fantastic to see the work they do at the Sanctuary in town and we hope to continue to support them throughout the year and not just at Christmas. It was then lovely to come back to school and receive a thank you card for our generosity.



## Lesson 6 Timetable for Year 10

Lesson 6 is now being offered to all year 10 students in the following subjects: - English, Maths, Science, French, History and Geography. These lessons are afterschool sessions that focus on specific topics in the given subject area. The purpose of these lessons is to give students extra help in topics that they might have struggled with as well as extending the learning for topics covered in class. I would strongly encourage all year 10 students to attend these sessions.

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Week 1	French	History Geography	
Week 2	Science	English	Maths

## Year 7 E-Safety Day

Year 7 had a hard hitting E-Safety day, which has opened their eyes to the dangers of the ever changing online world. Year 7 experienced two real life stories Breck's Last Game and Kayleigh's Love Story. Also, they have explored the dangers of sensitive information being put on social media, with students discussing the importance of having strict privacy settings on their social media accounts.

Mr C Smith  
Head of Year 7

## Year 11 Period 6 Timetable

Please find below the Year 11 period 6 timetable. These sessions provide an excellent opportunity to catch up on missed work, revise specific topics, increase grades, improve exam techniques and access additional teacher support.

This year the Year 11 Prom will be held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, please save the date in your diary. In order for your son or daughter to receive their invitation to the Prom they will need to attend at least 10 after school sessions with at least 50% of these from core subjects. If they reach 30 sessions then they will receive a £5 reduction on the Prom ticket price and 50 sessions will result in a £10 reduction, both of these must include 50% core.

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 1- Core Subjects</b>	<b>Science</b>	<b>English</b>	<b>Maths</b>		
<b>Week 2- Options Subjects</b>	<b>1. Travel and Tourism</b>  <b>2. Drama</b>  <b>3. French- Starting from January</b>	<b>1. Geography</b>  <b>2. History</b>  <b>3. ICT</b>	<b>1. Photography</b>  <b>2. Art</b>	<b>1. Childcare</b>  <b>2. Sport</b>	<b>The weekend</b>

## Focus eLearning

The Science Department have recently purchased a piece of software called Focus eLearning that KS4 students can use for revision and help with required practicals. It contains interactive practicals that can be used to revise or to catch up with missed work. There are also KS3 practicals and revision work. The link to access the software is placed on the website (under Teaching & Learning - Science, it can be found on the right hand side under Science links (see picture right)

### SCIENCE LINKS

- [BBC Education \(Home\)](#)
- [Focus eLearning](#)
- [Sciber Monkey](#)

Students can also log in using the website [www.focuselearning.co.uk](http://www.focuselearning.co.uk) with the username: student@rushdenacademy32861 Password: 8grw58art

Miss E Jepson  
Science Faculty

# THE PARENT BREAKTHROUGH

TUESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2019

SPONNE SCHOOL

6.30 – 8.00PM

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN SIMPLE AND EFFECTIVE COACHING STRATEGIES TO CREATE LASTING TRANSFORMATION IN YOUR LIFE AND THE LIFE OF YOUR CHILDREN?

THIS IS FOR YOU – THE PARENT WHO WANTS TO OFFER A REVOLUTIONARY TYPE OF PROVISION FOR THEIR CHILD.

IN THE WORDS OF FREDERICK DOUGLAS –  
"IT IS EASIER TO BUILD STRONG CHILDREN THAN TO REPAIR BROKEN MEN."

## \*\*THE PARENT BREAKTHROUGH\*\*

AN INTERACTIVE 1.5 HOUR WORKSHOP TO HELP YOU AND YOUR CHILD TO LIVE THEIR BEST LIFE.

I BELIEVE THAT EMPOWERED CHILDREN BECOME RESILIENT ADULTS AND IT ALL STARTS AT HOME. PARENTS HAVE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ROLE TO PLAY AS THEY ARE THE EXPERTS WHEN IT COMES TO THEIR CHILDREN.

IF YOU WOULD TO RESERVE A PLACE PLEASE CONTACT ANNE-LOUISE JAMES  
EMAIL [ALJAMES@SPONNE.ORG.UK](mailto:ALJAMES@SPONNE.ORG.UK) OR RING 350284 EXT 237

 **Student**  
Breakthrough



## English Faculty Year 11 Period 6 Timetable

The following timetable is based on how year 11 performed in their English Language Paper 2 mock. Each member of staff has taken a question to focus on and will teach the skills to excel in this question.

Session 1 takes place on Tuesday 15th January

Session 2 takes place on Tuesday 29th January

Session 3 takes place on Tuesday 12th February

Question Focus	Staff/Room	Sessions
Question 3	Miss Monkman E3	S1: Analysing structure S2: Analysing language S3: Language and structure together and key terminology
Question 6	Miss Neville E5	S1: Being critical S2: Using SITE S3: Offering judgements and solutions
Question 7B	Miss Fox E6	S1: Comparative terminology S2: Understanding ideas and perspectives S3: Finding similarities and differences
Transactional writing	Mrs Westley E9	S1: Understanding PALF (purpose, audience, language and form) S2: Paragraphing and SPaG S3: Developing points and structuring writing

## Safe Parking in Rushden Academy Car Park

Dear Parents / Carers

If you come into the car park to drop off / collect your son/daughter before or after school please be aware of where you are parking. Please do not park where you may be blocking the line of sight of the zebra crossing as this is a safety concern.

## 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

## 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.



# Alumni

We are keen to find out what our ex-students from Rushden Academy/ former Chichele School have achieved since leaving us. We would like to know how your careers have progressed and how Rushden supported you.

We aim to inspire and encourage our current students at Rushden Academy and publicise the success of our former students to the community.

If you are a former student who would like to participate then please follow this link to fill out our survey form.

<https://goo.gl/forms/LWGa3zhJzF6ZVDsZ2>

Or email us your information and a photo if you wish at

**Alumni.RushdenAcademy@gmail.com**



*#TeamRushden*



## LGBTQ+ Weekly 'Safe Space'

Following discussion within our school forum and a proposal put forward by one of the forum members, the school council and forum voted unanimously for a weekly LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Transgendered, Questioning, 'Plus') group to start at school. The group will meet on a Wednesday lunch-time in the hub-lounge and discuss issues that relate to equality within the school and feeling safe.

The group will be supported by Mrs Blackmore and is open to students of all ages.

Jo Holmes  
Well-being Lead





## Uganda Tour 2019

In February 2019 a group of 6th form students from across the TENC schools will be travelling to Uganda to participate in the Jinja International Youth Conference. This is a fantastic opportunity for the delegates to experience and engage with a different culture, present their views on global topics and have them challenged by the other conference delegates.

To support our delegates, please join our easyfunding page. By signing up to the website, every time you do an online shop with one of the associated retailers, they will donate a small percentage of your order cost to your chosen cause. So every weekly shop, or even some of your Christmas shopping, can contribute to raising the money to send our delegates on this exciting journey.

***There are over 3000 retailers for you to purchase through which will help to support us!***



To support us, please follow the link below and register your details (no financial details are taken), then use the links on their page to take you to your favourite retailers who will then donate a small amount to our fundraising efforts.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ratripuganda/>



## Rushden Academy Hair & Beauty Salon Price List

<u>Hair Price List</u>	Level 2	Level 3
<u>Styling</u>		
Wash & Blow-dry set	£4.00	£5.00
Ladies Cut	£4.00	£5.00
Restyle	£7.00	£9.00
Wash, cut and finish	£7.00	£8.00
Restyle and finish	£8.00	£10.00
Gents cut	£3.00	
Conditioning Treatment	£3.00	£4.00
<u>Colouring</u>		
Quasi permanent colour:		
Full head (short hair)	£11.00	£15.00
Full head (long hair)	£15.00	£19.00
Semi permanent colour:		
Semi colour (short hair)	£9.00	£10.00
Semi colour (long hair)	£12.00	£13.00
<u>Colouring and permanent tinting</u>		
Full head (short hair)	£12.00	£18.00
Full head (long hair)	£18.00	£23.00
Roots only	£9.00	£11.00
Roots and refresh (short hair)	£12.00	£18.00
Roots and refresh (long hair)	£18.00	£23.00
<u>High/Lowlights</u>		
With cap	£10.00	£13.00
Woven (short hair)	£20.00	£25.00
Woven (long hair)	£25.00	£28.00
T-section (short hair)	£10.00	£18.00
T-section (long hair)	£15.00	£23.00
Flashes (per pack)	£2.00	
<u>Lightening products bleach</u>		
Full head (short hair)	£20.00	£23.00
Full head (long hair)	£23.00	£26.00
Spectrum - specialised tonal highlighting	Extra £7.00	
<u>Extras</u>		
Colour mousse	£1.00	
Eraser colour remover & colour correction	Consultation needed	

<u>Beauty Price List</u>	
<u>Facial Treatments</u>	
Cleanse and make up	£6.00
Facial with cleanse and mask	£4.00
Luxury facial	£6.00
<u>Eye treatments</u>	
Tinting and waxing:	
Lash tint*	£3.00
Brow tint*	£3.00
Lash and brow tint*	£6.00
Brow tidy	£3.00
Lip and chin wax	£4.00
<u>Holistic Treatments</u>	
Massages:	
Indian head massage (30 mins)	£6.00
Indian head massage (45 mins)	£8.00
Hot stone (back only)	£7.00
Hot stone (full body)	£10.00
Full body massage	£10.00
Back, neck & shoulder massage	£6.00
<u>Body treatments</u>	
G5 body treatment	£6.00
Infrared with back massage	£9.00
<u>Manicure and pedicure</u>	
Mini manicure (file/polish)	£3.50
Manicure	£4.50
Luxury manicure	£6.00
Mini pedicure (file/polish)	£3.50
Pedicure	£4.50
Luxury pedicure	£6.00
Re varnish	£2.50
Nail art extra	£2.50
*patch test required	

## PE ACTIVITIES AUTUMN 2018



AFTER SCHOOL (3.30-4.30pm)

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

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

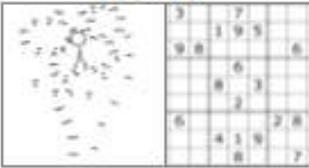
## LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES



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

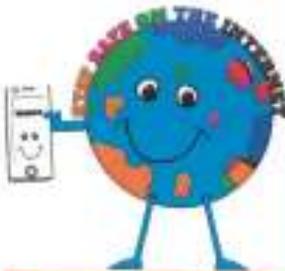
# Lunch-time Activities in the Library

Day	Activity
<b>Monday</b> 	<b>Philosophy Club</b> – Debate & discuss some issues that may affect you...would you eat a sheep if it could talk??
<b>Tuesday</b> 	<b>Short Story Writing</b> – Have some fun making up stories with other students...there will be competitions!
<b>Wednesday</b> 	<b>Chess Club</b> – with the help of our chess expert, Mr. Sims, come and learn or develop your chess skills.
<b>Thursday</b> 	<b>Tranquility</b> – come and have a quiet read, a quiet draw or get on with some homework...quietly.
<b>Friday</b> 	<b>Fill-it-in Friday</b> – 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 contacted online by strangers
- 30% have received pornography involving them
- 26% have had sexual messages
- 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
- 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 in games 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@service6.co.uk  
Facebook:  
One 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