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Newsletter

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Date	Event	Venue	Start/ Arrive/ Depart	Finish/ Collect/ Return
Sun 10				
Sept	Coda Recital	Theatre	15:00	17:00
Mon 11				
Sept	Year 7 & 8 team building	Wilderness Woods	09:00	17:00
		Nevill Golf Club	16:00	17:30
Tues 12				
Sep	Golf Club	Nevill Golf Club	16:00	17:30
Wed 13				
Sept	House Song & House General Knowledge	Theatre	08:40	
	Reception Information Meeting	Octagon	09:00	
	1st XI Football vs Sevenoaks Prep	Home	14:30	16:00
	Colts A Football vs Sevenoaks Prep	Away	14:30	16:45
	Colts B Football vs Sevenoaks Prep	Away	14:30	16:45
	Colts C Football vs Sevenoaks Prep	Away	14:30	16:45
	Colts D Football vs Sevenoaks Prep	Away	14:30	16:45
	Colts E Football vs Sevenoaks	Home	14:30	16:00
	U13 Hockey vs St Ronans	Away	14:30	16:45
	U11 Hockey vs St Ronans	Home	14:30	16:00
	U10 Hockey vs St Ronans	Home	14:30	16:00
Thurs 14				
Sept	U9A Football vs Claremont Prep	Away	14:30	17:15
	U9B Football vs Claremont Prep	Away	14:30	17:15
	U8A Football vs Claremont Prep	Home	14:30	16:00
	U8B Football vs Claremont Prep	Home	14:30	16:00
	U8C Football vs Claremont Prep	Home	14:30	16:00
Fri 15				
Sept	PA Breakfast	Dining room	08:30	09:30
	Lower & Upper School Assemblies		08:40	
	Yr 8 trip Dover Castle		09:00	16:00
Sat 16				
Sept	St Michael's U11 A & B Football Tournament	Away	08:30	13:00



NOTE FROM THE HEAD



I would like to warmly welcome you all back to the Autumn Term here at Rose Hill School. For some parents this will be your first Rose Hill newsletter, this is something which we produce on a weekly basis keeping you informed about the school calendar, activities and important messages .

It has been a very busy first few days back but I am so pleased to see the school come back to life after the long summer break. A very warm welcome to all the new families who are joining us this year. If you are new to the school, please make a note of Friday 15 September when the Parents' Association will be hosting a New Parents' Breakfast from 8.30am in the dining room. If you are a current parent who would like to hear about the PA or would like to meet some new parents, come and join us, please let the [office](#) know you are coming so we can cater accordingly.

The school has remained very busy throughout the summer, with the activity holidays and the swimming pool development. Work on the pool has gathered pace and the main building frame and walls are in place, along with the mains services. The project remains on track for completion early February 2018.

A reminder that summer uniform should be worn until half-term, unless advised otherwise.

After School Care: the 'morning session' runs from 8.00-8.25am in the Octagon. Children who are not collected at the end of the school day go to the Octagon where they are supervised until 4.00pm - the 'early session'. However, for those children who are staying later, the After School Care 'late session' begins at 4.00pm in the KW classroom and runs until 5.15pm.

To guarantee a place these must be made a term in advance and are booked using the online booking form found on the school [website](#) The After School Care agreement also needs to be completed and returned to the school office before your child's first session. Occasional bookings can be requested twelve hours in advance using the after school care email afterschoolcare@rosehillschool.co.uk. However, places can't be guaranteed and will be dependent on availability.

Keeping Pupils Safe... Part of the Government's Keeping Children Safe In Education (KCSIE) legislation focuses on online safety. At school, we spend some time advising our pupils about making the right choices. A recent survey showed that 65% of 8 – 11 year olds own a smartphone or tablet. How do you protect them from online dangers? In school we will be revisiting our 'Acceptable Use Policy' (AUP) with pupils, a copy of which is enclosed in the Pupils Planner for pupils in the Lower and Upper Schools.

For further information on supporting online behaviour we recommend: CEOPS <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

I look forward to seeing you at school soon and send you and your children best wishes for a happy and successful year at Rose Hill.

Yours sincerely

Emma Neville



CONGRATULATIONS

Jenny Groves and George Waller who completed their Level 5 Lexia Reading Core 5

Amelia Hemming who completed Touch-type Read and Spell Computer Course 6 over the summer holidays

PRE PREP HOUSE CAPTAINS

MacKinnon

Emily Ebbrell
Connor Horsell

Baden-Powell

Hugo Butcher
Elodie Clayton

Grange

Dylan Cox
Rebecca Seymour

MINDFULNESS

As many of you will know Year 6 have started their Mindfulness course, we are using **.b** (pronounced 'dot-b', which stands for stop and be) this is designed to introduce pupils to the potential benefits of mindfulness in the safety of the school classroom. Taught by well-trained teachers **.b** is aimed to dip children's toes into mindfulness in ways which they find helpful and enjoyable.

KEY DATES

Autumn term 2017

Wednesday 6 September—Friday 15 December

Half term 23 October—Friday 3 November

- The Carol Service takes place at St John's Church on the evening of Thursday 7 December
- Christmas Fair takes place on Saturday 9 December from 10.30am.

Spring term 2018

Wednesday 10 January—Thursday 29 March

Half term 12-16 February

Summer Term 2018

Wednesday 25 April—Saturday 14 July

Half term 28 May—1 June

Our full Calendar is available on the school website and all details of events and fixtures can be downloaded.



NEW STAFF

We warmly welcome some seven new members of staff this term.

Mrs Corinne Hart – Year 2H
Dr James Tuck – Head of Latin
Mrs Kerry Thomas – Year 1S
Mrs Clare Rowton - Marketing & Communications
Mrs Emma Stancliff – School Secretary Receptionist
Mrs Jane Morgan – Head of Learning Skills, SENCO
Miss Daisy Skinner and Miss Nerea Lopez – Gap Students

ESSENTIAL SPORTS KIT—BOYS

As we approach the end of the first week could I politely draw your attention to some items of PE and games kit that are essential for the boys. A number of boys haven't had these items this week. Thank you. Simon Hinchliffe.

1. White PE socks
2. White PE shorts
3. White PE polo shirt
4. Indoor and outdoor trainers
5. Maroon football socks
6. Maroon games shorts
7. Maroon games shirt
8. Shin pads
9. Football boots

PARENTMAIL UPGRADE

ParentMail, the service we use to send communications out to parents, was recently upgraded to their new service, ParentMail PMX. Unfortunately the migration of data to the new service did not go as smoothly as we'd expected, leaving us with a number of parents whose accounts did *not* move over correctly.

Some of the new features of ParentMail PMX include:

- *An app available on Android and iOS to pick up school messages instantly.*
- *An account simply for school messages (away from your busy email inbox!)*
- *Connect to other schools, nurseries or clubs that use ParentMail using your single account.*
- *Highlight important messages or archive old messages to make life easier.*

If you have not received an email to register and update your personal information or have another query regarding ParentMail, please let me know by emailing parentmail@rosehillschool.co.uk so that I can update or fix your account.

Many thanks for your patience while we try get outstanding issues resolved and missing accounts added.

Anthony Horner



SENIOR SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

Save the Date... We have our **Future Schools' Evening** booked for **23rd January 2018** at Rose Hill School. With guest speaker Richard Cairns, Headmaster Brighton College and a wide range of secondary schools attending. More information to follow.

There are a number of Open Days coming up this month for 13+ entry.

Battle Abbey, Co-Ed Day & Boarding

Saturday 16th September 10.30am—1.00pm

telephone 01424 772385 or email office@battleabbeyschool.com

Bede's, Co-Ed Day & Boarding

Saturday 16th September 9.30am—12 noon +44 (0) 1323 443838 or email via admissions@bedes.org

Bethany School, Co-Ed Day & Boarding

Saturday 23rd September 10.00am—1.00pm 01580 211273 or registrar@bethanyschool.org.uk

Brighton College, Co-Ed Day & Boarding

Saturday 30th September 9.30am—noon 01273 704200 or registrar@brightoncollege.net

Caterham School, Co-Ed Day & Boarding

Saturday 23rd September 9.30—noon 01883 335 058 or admissions@caterhamschool.co.uk

Kent College, Girls Day & Boarding

Saturday 30th September 2017: 9.30am - 1.00pm [Book now](#)

Lingfield College, Co-Ed Day

Tuesday 26 September 2017 (Y8 Experience Day) Saturday 7 October 2017, 9.45am - 1.00pm (no appointment necessary) The Admissions Office 01342 838153 or email admissions@lingfieldcollege.co.uk

Tonbridge School, Boys day & Boarding

Saturday 23rd September 2017 at 10.00am

Please arrive promptly as the Headmaster will address visitors at 10.15am.

Please [complete our booking form](#) if you wish to attend this Open Morning.

Worth School, Co-Ed Day & Boarding

Saturday 7th October [book now](#)

We are always pleased to discuss future schools, please contact the school for an appointment.



MUSIC AT ROSE HILL

Children from Year 1 are able to start music lessons at Rose Hill (subject to suitability!) and there are currently spaces available for the following instruments at Rose Hill: Violin, Clarinet, Saxophone, Flute, Recorder, Guitar, Piano, Trumpet, Drums, Cornet, Trombone, Cello and Singing. Taster lessons can be arranged.

Please contact Mr Everist if you are interested or would like further advice music@rosehillschool.co.uk

Learning to Persevere

When it comes to learning a musical instrument, practice definitely makes perfect but, as Suzie Gouldstone of Highfield Prep explains, children also learn self-discipline, motivation and perseverance. Read the full article [here](#).



CODA presents:

Concerts Originaux Des Amis | Registered Charity No. 286544

Ella Rundle (cello)

Miho Kawashima (piano)

Beethoven Sonata Op.5 No.2
Dvorak Rondo
Franck Sonata in A major

Sunday 10th September
3pm
Rose Hill School (main theatre),
Tunbridge Wells,
TN4 9SY

Tickets available from our website, Brittnens
or here: www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/397621

Website: www.codatw.co.uk
Twitter: @CODA_TW
Facebook: www.facebook.com/CODATWells/

This year sees a wonderful line up of recitals from CODA, who house their Yamaha grand piano at Rose Hill and hold regular concerts in the theatre.

CODA was founded by Arthur Boyd and its origins date back to 1982 when he had the idea of chamber recitals to support young and up-coming professional musicians by providing a venue for them to perform.

CODA is a registered charity (No. 286544) and pride themselves on their reputation as a welcoming and friendly organisation with a distinctive personal touch. All those attending recitals have the opportunity to meet and chat to the artists over refreshments after the performance and entry is free for children 16 and under.

Hannah Skottowe and Alex Metcalfe are both on the committee and encourage Rose Hill parents and pupils to support CODA by coming along!



PARENTS ASSOCIATION

From all of us on the Rose Hill School Parents Association (PA) we do hope you had a fantastic summer holiday and that you and your children are looking forward to a fun filled 2017/2018 academic year.

We hope to see you at the **Parent Association Breakfast** on Friday 15th September. At 8.30 a.m. in the Dining Room, please email the [office](#) to let us know you are coming.

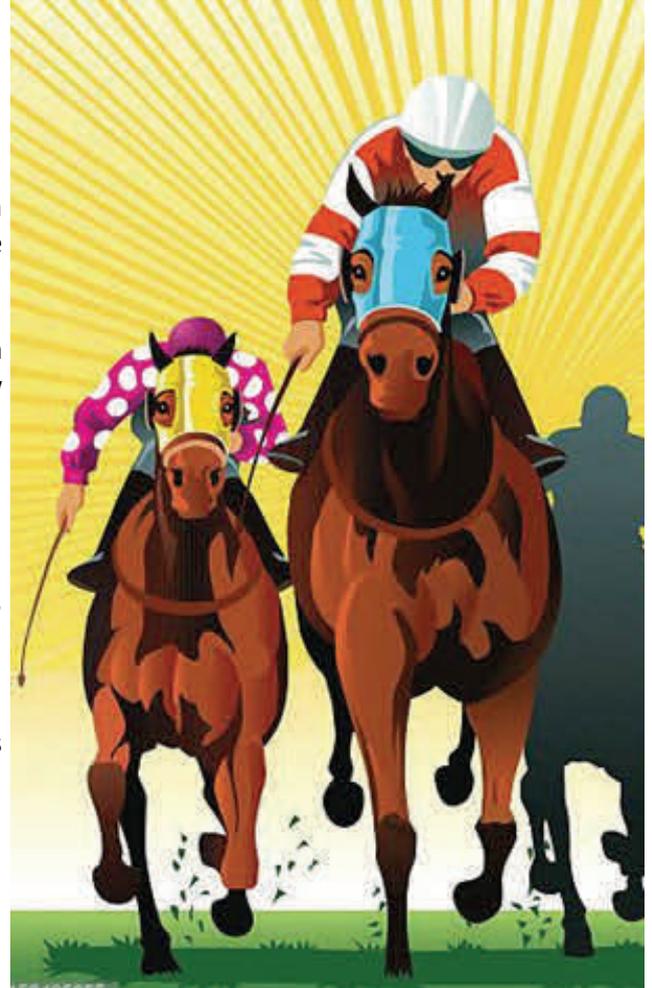
We'd like to take this early opportunity to introduce you to a ****NEW**** PA event taking place this year and in only a few weeks time!

Please put Thursday 5th October in your diaries and join us for...'**Race Night**'.

Kick off will be from 7.30pm for a night of mixing, mingling, meeting new people and having fun betting on the horses!

First Race is at 8pm, 8 races in total.
Tickets will go on sale next week at £12.00 per person (includes food).

More information to follow.





LUNCH MENU

Monday	Beef stew & Cheese cobbler, boiled potatoes, mixed vegetables Quorn and vegetable stew Strawberry mousse
Tuesday	Roast chicken thighs, roast potatoes, beans & carrots Quorn roast Greek yogurt & toppings
Wednesday	Macaroni cheese and mixed salads (V) Chocolate crispy cake
Thursday	Lasagna bolognaise, garlic & plain bread Vegetarian lasagna Fruit jelly
Friday	Cod goujons, chips, baked beans and petite pois Cheese omlette Fruit crumble, & custard
DAILY SALAD BAR	<i>A vegetarian soup will be available daily as an addition to the above menu At least 2 options of a meat /fish based dish & at least 1 vegetarian main course. Up to 10 side salads, plus freshly baked baguettes for added carbohydrate, grated cheese as an option with the vegetarian soups on Tuesdays for added protein.</i>

ROSE HILL COSTUMES

Catherine Bellinger has very kindly agreed to help with costumes for this terms production but will need assistance. If there are any parents who could volunteer to help please email catherine.bellinger@googlemail.com (with the subject Rose Hill costumes)