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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Planning and Development Day – Parental Invite

On 20th June, there is a Planning and Development day where students will not be in school.

Instead, we will be hosting a whole-school planning and development morning, with a sequence of workshops designed to allow us to reflect on the year so far, and plan for future developments at Rugby High School with an invited group of staff, students and parents.

As you can imagine, we cannot accommodate all parents in this process, but if you would be free to join us from 8.45am-12.30pm on Thursday 20th June, could you please drop me a line expressing your interest. You will need to be available for the whole morning session.

There will be a small pack of information to read ahead of the event in order that our discussions can be as focused and productive as possible.

I apologise in advance to those of you who may be disappointed in not securing a place to join us; my aim is to have parent representatives from each year group.

I hope you will be able to join us for an exciting event that will allow us to plan for the further development of the school as a whole community.

Replies need to have reached me by 3:45pm on Friday 7th June, you will be informed of your place by Wednesday 12th June.

Best wishes,

Mr Grady

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Clay Pinch Pot Workshop for Year 10

The clay pinch pot workshop was generally a new experience for most of the students that took part. To start, it involved taking the skill of making a pinch pot with clay, and then developing it with your own ideas to make fascinating and new sculptures!

Mainly, the theme was animals but by the end of the session, everyone's own experimenting resulted in a real variety of creations. From swans to delicate flowers, it was obvious that the experience of using clay was a brilliant way for the students to be creative and try something new – as well as becoming a new media to work with again in the future.

Thank you so much to local artist Virginia Dowe-Edwards for running this workshop. She will be returning after half term once she has fired the sculptures so that we can paint them.



By Anoushka Dutta in Year 10

Jasmine Gardosi to lead poetry workshop with Year 10 students!



Year 10 students will have the opportunity to work with Jasmine Gardosi on Wednesday 5th June as the initial part of a Warwickshire-wide School Poetry Slam organised by Matt Black. Thanks to the generosity of the PTA and support of Warwickshire Library Services, Rugby High School is hosting this exciting event.

Jasmine is the current Axis Slam Champion and former Cheltenham Poetry Festival, Mix It Up Midlands and

International Pangaea Poetry Slam winner. She has appeared on BBC Radio 3's The Verb, BBC Asian Network and at Glastonbury Festival. Her debut pamphlet *Hurtz* is published from Verve Poetry Press.

Students will have the opportunity to work collaboratively to create their own spoken word pieces and workshop in a friendly, informal environment. This is a day when students can develop their powers of expression, communication skills and enjoy sharing spoken word and poetry. They will also be able to hear Jasmine perform, which will be inspirational!



SUMMER RESIDENTIAL COURSES – LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE

It's almost time for Summer which means our University residential STEM courses will be running!! It's the ideal time for young people to experience University life, enhance their UCAS forms, make friends and start the next academic term buzzing with new ideas. Please do share this information with your students

The following courses have places available – for full entry requirements and booking, click below:-

[Girls into Physics](#) (Year 10)

[Structural Engineering](#) (Year 12)

[Girls into Electronics](#) (Year 11 – 12)

[Nuclear Engineering](#) (Year 10 –11)

[Electrical and Electronic Engineering](#) (Year 12)

[Civil Engineering](#) (Year 12)

If you have any questions, please contact the team on [01926 333 200](tel:01926333200) or email info@smallpeicetrust.org.uk

Regards,

The Smallpeice Team

Calling parents - Careers advice

As Year 12 start their Next Steps Careers Programme after their exams, we are looking for parent speakers who would be prepared to come into school to give an informal workshop/talk to small groups of students about their work. We are interested in hearing about a wide range of jobs, the highs and lows, the training and the prospects.

These would mostly take place on Tuesday 2nd or 9th July in the morning.

If you are willing to help, please email - g.brown@rugbyhighschool.co.uk

PTA Raffle Tickets

Raffle Tickets for the PTA Grand Draw have been sent home with students. Please look out for them and support the PTA Grand Draw which will be drawn on June 7th, 2019.



There are many wonderful prizes to be won, including a £100 cash prize, vouchers for the Huntsman Carvery in Dunchurch, dinner for 2 at Casa Loco plus more.



The money raised by the Grand Draw goes directly back into school and supports such projects as a Poetry Workshop for English, CREST projects in Science and the newly installed water fountains around school.

Please consider supporting the PTA Grand Draw. With each ticket purchased, you are helping to enhance your child's education at Rugby High School.

Looking for something to read? KS3 Book Recommendation

When a creature dies, its spirit can go looking for somewhere to hide.

Some people have space inside them, perfect for hiding.

Makepeace, a courageous girl with a mysterious past, defends herself nightly from the ghosts which try to possess her. Then a dreadful event causes her to drop her guard for a moment.

And now there's a ghost inside her.

The spirit is wild, brutish and strong, but it may be her only defence in a time of dark suspicion and fear. As the English Civil War erupts, Makepeace must decide which is worse: possession – or death.



Maths Quiz 542

What is the maximum number of spots?

Six-sided dice have their spots arranged so that the opposite sides add up to 7. If 8 dice are arranged in a 2x2x2 cube on a solid table, what is the maximum number of spots that could be visible from one position?

Answer to Maths quiz 541

8 hours and 47 minutes

Diary Dates

Year 8 STEM Event - All Day

Year 12 Internal Drama Examination

Thursday 23rd May

HALF TERM

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May

Year 9 Bronze DofE

Friday 31st May to Sunday 2nd June

Year 11 Study Leave Begins

Year 12 Exams Begin

Year 10 Geography Trip to the Carding Mill Valley, Shropshire

Monday 3rd June

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Tuesday 4th June

Year 10 Poetry Workshop

UCAS Trip Year 12

Wednesday 5th June

Year 8 Black Country Museum Trip

Thursday 6th June

Year 10 Geography Trip to the Carding Mill Valley, Shropshire

Friday 7th June

Intermediate Biology Olympiad Year 12

Friday 7th June to Friday 14th June

Year 7 Trip to Bilton

Tuesday 11th June

Year 7 Parents Evening #1 (7R & 7H)

Thursday 13th June

Year 10 (a few students) Trip to George Elliot Hospital

Year 7 Parents Evening #2 (7S & 7G)

Monday 17th June

Year 10 Duke of Edinburgh Silver Expedition

Tuesday 18th June to Friday 21st June

Year 5 & 6 Open Evening

Wednesday 19th June

Planning & Developing Day - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Thursday 20th June

Year 9 Exams Begin

Monday 24th June

Year 7 Introduction to Food Preparation & Nutrition Day

Tuesday 25th June

Next Steps Day Year 12

Year 10 Drama Examination

Wednesday 26th June

Year 6 Induction Day

Thursday 27th June