



Rydon Community

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We returned for the Summer Term this week looking forward to all the events occurring this final term of the academic year. Time goes so quickly in school years and we must all remember to cherish what we have.

Over the Easter break staff have completed the Spring Term assessments. Therefore, **the pupils' Spring Term outcomes are available in Moodle under the Assessment tab.** Well done to the pupils for their continued efforts, progress and hard work.

This week I have seen plans, heard discussions and shared in the excitement about the Sussex schools' Gym competition, cross country (which is next Wednesday), Chithurst Monastery, CSI Storrington, Mocktails final, Weald and Downland, Sports Day, Chanctonbury Playscheme; naming just a few events. With an ethos believing in Opportunity + Confidence = Success we try and give a range of different learning experiences throughout the year to stretch and engage in differing environments. We provide more than most schools for our three years compared to others for five years.

One new event launched this week is a **photographic competition** celebrating "family." We teach our pupils the importance and diversity of family and by the closing date of the **22nd June** pupils, staff and parents can enter a black and white photograph reflecting an individual, a pair or a group. Please give all entries to Mrs Modder. Entries must be no smaller than 6 by 4 and no larger than A4. On any entry your name, form or contact details and the title must be submitted. Why not have a go and let's celebrate family in the Queen's ninetieth year? We hope to display them in celebration. We are looking for three prizes so if you are able to sponsor this event please contact me. Thank you.

With May fast approaching our Year 6s are working hard with the staff to develop their English and Maths skills further before the **SATS in early May**. This week we sent out letters about the SATS breakfasts supported by FORSA (Thank you). Although they are important exams we must all remember they are only a snapshot and with so many changes in the nature of these exams the pupils are doing very well to keep up. The staff are working extremely hard to support the pupils through this stressful time. No matter what happens keeping the pupils calm is essential to their success. Thank you every one for your help and support in this.

As you may be aware latest information from the Consultation was published in the Easter break. A Schoolcomms went out on Monday giving links etc. to the Scrutiny Committee's meeting on the 18th April. The meeting will be broadcast live via the internet, or view it later from the recent webcasts section of the West Sussex website. Access to the webcast will be available from this address:-

<http://www.westsussex.public-i.tv/core/portal/home>.

The Rydon Governors are continuing to present their case and viewpoint and as always the Governors and staff are all making sure the pupils do not have their education compromised because of this Consultation.

Over this year we have tried to create our own production "**Tales of Bagheera**". We did have to postpone due to my time constraints but my staff, as always team players, have picked up the rehearsal schedule. Staff have asked pupils to come to rehearsals on **Tuesday and Wednesday next week**. I urge the pupils to be there and anyone who wishes to join that hasn't before can come along also. This really is the last call out for the show to go on!

As mentioned earlier we are having our **annual cross country event next Wednesday 20th**. Pupils will arrive in PE kit and can wear outer PE attire during the morning if cold. Suitable footwear for running must be worn. To run such events it takes every member of staff to be involved. It is always an enjoyable event and worth the effort.

*Always considering the needs of your child,
Allison Murphy, Headteacher*

Lost property



We have a huge amount of lost property which we have on display outside the FT room until next Friday the 22nd April. If not claimed by this date, we will be donating it all to a local charity. Please ask your child/children to look through or if you would prefer to come in a look for yourself, you are very welcome.

Ferny Crofts Year 6 Residential Trip (10th -13th June 2016)



Ferny Crofts Year 6 Residential information evening will be held on **Wednesday 4th May – 6.30pm in the hall.**

This is an important evening giving details of the forth coming residential.

Dates for your diary

January			
Thursday	14th January	Year 8 Parents' Consultation Evening	3.15pm - 8.00pm
Friday	15th January	INSET DAY	
Tuesday	26th January	Year 8 Subject Open Evening at Shooting Fields	6.00pm - 8.00pm
February			
Thursday	4th February	Iceland Presentatrion Evening yrs 6 & 7 - Rydon's Main Hall	6.30pm - 7.30pm
Friday	5th February	DISCO *please note new times	
Tuesday	9th February	Year 6 Parents' Consultation Evening	
Wednesday	10th February	INSET DAY	
Friday	12th February	Year 8 Mocktails Apprentice Event at Rydon	During the school day
	15th - 19th February	HALF TERM	
March			
Thursday	10th March	Fairtrade Cake Sale	Break & Lunch time
Tuesday	15th March	Year 7 Hampton Court Visit (Classes TBC)	
Thursday	17th March	Year 7 Hampton Court Visit (Classes TBC)	
Friday	18th March	DISCO *please note new times	6.00pm - 8.00pm
Monday	21st March	Spring Concert at Rydon *please note change of date	7.00pm - 9.00pm
	25th March - 8th April	EASTER BREAK	
April			
Monday	11th April	Summer Term begins	
Wednesday	20th April	Cross Country - all years *please note change of date	12.00noon - 3.00pm
May			
Monday	2nd May	Bank Holiday	
Wednesday	4th May	Ferny Crofts Infornation Evening	6.30pm
	9th - 12th May	SATS Year 6 National Curriculum Tests	
Friday	13th May	Year 6 'Beyond to Oort Cloud'	
Tuesday	17th May	CSI Storrington / Yr7 Cuckmere Haven (classes TBC)	
Wednesday	18th May	Year 7 Parents' Consultation Evening *please note change of date	3.15pm - 8.00pm
Thursday	19th May	INSET DAY *please note change of date	

Friday	20th May	DISCO *please note new times	6.00pm - 8.00pm
Monday	23rd May	CSI Storrington / Yr7 Cuckmere Haven (classes TBC)	
	30th May - 3rd June	Half Term	
June			
	10th - 13th June	Year 6 Ferny Croft Residential	
Thursday	16th June	Year 6 Weald & Downland Locality project (classes TBC)	
	17th-20th June	Year 7 Windmill Hill Residential	
Thursday	23rd June	Year 6 Weald & Downland Locality project (classes TBC)	
Monday	27th June	Olympic Legacy Games	Pupils only
	29th/30th June & 1st July	Production - 'Tales of Bagheera' - date TBC	
July			
Wednesday	6th July	Transition Day events	
Friday	8th July	DISCO *please note new times	6.00pm - 8.00pm
Wednesday	13th July	Sports Day	Parents from 12.45
Tuesday	19th July	Rewards Trip	
Wednesday	20th July	Sports Day back up date	
Thursday	21st July	Year 8 Dinner Dance	6.30pm - 10.00pm
Friday	22nd July	Last Day of Term	Finish at 2pm

Sep-16			
Monday	5th September	INSET DAY	
Tuesday	6th September	Year 6 only - start Autumn Term.	
Wednesday	7th September	Whole school return for Autumn Term.	