

Calendar

MONDAY 21st NOVEMBER
TUESDAY 22nd NOVEMBER
WEDNESDAY 23rd NOVEMBER Year 7 Book Fair
THURSDAY 24th NOVEMBER KS4 and 5 Drama Trip External Students - Sixth Form Open Morning 9.00 - Midday (appointments only) Year 7 Book Fair
FRIDAY 25th NOVEMBER Year 7 Book Fair

Student Reception Assistants

	Period 2	Period 5
Mon 21st Nov	George Wade 10L6	Alex Walsh 10L6
Tues 22nd Nov	Dominic Williams 10L6	James Watkins 10L6
Wed 23rd Nov	Joshua Lack 10L7	Kye Ostler 10L7
Thurs 24th Nov	Kyle Scott 10L7	Morgan Chapman 10L8
Fri 25th Nov	Nathan Richens 10L8	James Robertson 10L8

Academy Term Dates



RSA Closes	Friday 16 th December (at 12.45 pm)
Spring Term 2016	
Training Day	Tuesday 3 rd January
RSA Opens	Wednesday 4 th January
Mid Term Break	Monday 13 th to Friday 17 th February

From the Vice Principal

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Year 11 preparations for mock exams starting week commencing Monday 5th December have begun in earnest.

In school we have:

- Run a Raising Achievement Evening for parents and students: looked at revision techniques, time and stress organisation.
- Run revision sessions for all of Year 11: looked at revision techniques particularly, mind mapping and revision cards.
- Asked staff to provide students with topic lists for each exam (available on the Academy website).
- Given students time to start a revision timetable.
- Ordered lots of revision guides and revision resources packs (available to purchase from Student Services).
- Issued the mock exam timetable.
- Asked staff not to set homework other than revision for the 2 weeks before the mock exams.

We would encourage all parents to take an active view in reviewing all of the above with their child to establish good routines and strategy around revision in the next few weeks.

We would also draw your attention to www.getrevising.com which all students can register for – this website is very useful for all sorts of revision materials and exam tasks.

Please do take a look at the Academy website for useful tips, PowerPoints and lists of topics for each subject:

<http://www.rsacademy.co.uk/?p=687>

Have a good weekend.

Mr Taylor

Congratulations Harriet!



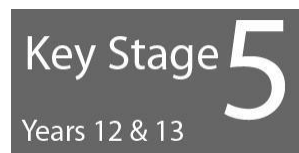
Harriet Jones, 7B12, is the first Year 7 student to achieve 50 reward stars from staff.

Harriet also gets 50 achievement points for herself, her tutor group and her House, as well as a bronze badge for her uniform. We hope lots more Year 7 students will follow suit soon.

Well done, Harriet. The silver badge awaits you when you get the next 50 stars...keep up the good work!

Ms Hedley

Key Stage 5 Opportunities



Open Morning
Thursday 24th November
9 am – Midday

Not currently studying at Robert Smyth Academy?

If you would like to experience our Sixth Form before making your decision then you should come along to our Open Morning.

During the morning you will have the chance to tour the Academy and Sixth Form Centre during a normal day, experience a taster lesson, speak to current students and find out what we can offer **YOU!**

To book your place, email:
lkirk@rsacademy.co.uk

Ms Kirk

Stars of the Week Week Ending Friday 11th November



Well done to the following students who have been awarded "Star of the Week".

Hannah Appleton 13B3	For regularly helping with the Tuesday Maths Surgery.
Kyle Bennett 11H6	Focused and working to the best of his ability.
Jonah Cripwell 10B10	For his USB design in Product Design.
Samuel Felton-Dobbs 13B7	For regularly helping with the Tuesday Maths Surgery.
Millie Gamble 11B1	Excellent preparation for the French speaking controlled assessment.
Evy Height 12B3	For always being helpful and proactive in tutor time.
Rebecca Iliffe 13H4	For excellent focus and dedication in history and achieving highly at A level.
Alexander Kenyon 13H5	For a really good end of topic test in Chemistry.
Jonathan Kim 13B8	For regularly helping with the Tuesday Maths Surgery.
Fergus Longley 13L2	For regularly helping with the Tuesday Maths Surgery.
George Martin 13H2	For regularly helping with the Tuesday Maths Surgery.
Ben Masters 13H4	For regularly helping with the Tuesday Maths Surgery.
Ellen McDonald 13H2	For regularly helping with the Tuesday Maths Surgery.
Omar Mohammed 11L6	Excellent preparation for the French speaking controlled assessment.
Charlotte Moncrief 13H9	For regularly helping with the Tuesday Maths Surgery.
Angus Nimmo 13B6	For regularly helping with the Tuesday Maths Surgery.
Josie Ronald 11H2	Working hard in Science lessons and making brilliant progress.
Chloe Smailes 13L7	For exemplary Politics homework regarding political parties.
Charlie Upfold 13H4	For regularly helping with the Tuesday Maths Surgery.

Ms Hedley

Year 13 Apprenticeship Opportunities



For students in Year 13 who are looking to find a higher level apprenticeship for next year – or even considering this as an option. LEBC (Leicestershire Education Business Company) are running a session at 12.45 pm in SF01 (upstairs in the Sixth Form Centre) on Tuesday 22nd November.

Ms Kirk

Sport



The following sport report has been submitted by Tom Rawlings, 13L2.

Could it be done on a cold night at Brockington College? The Robert Smyth Year 11 team faced Brockington College in a 'do or die' match that would see one team exiting the competition in the early knock-out stages.

An unfortunate 4-1 loss saw the Robert Smyth lads bombing out of a competition they have recently found form in. The first half had little in the way of chances for RSA with two early goals coming from Brockington. It was a high press and quick tempo half generating more chances for the opposition, despite a solid defence from the RSA back four, as well as a number of good saves coming from Jonny Wall.

By the second half the heavens had opened up leaving the pitch wet. These conditions favoured Robert Smyth, with early chances coming from Tommy Farr and Alfie Harris fortunately striking the post and bringing a quality block from the Brockington defender. The game climaxed with a goal and penalty conceded from a lapse in concentration. Luckily RSA received a consolation goal with an emphatic shin roll strike coming from Sam Rushby in the dying moments of the game. A disappointing result for a team showing such promise during the early stages of the competition. 'Man of the Match' was awarded to Alfie Harris.

Tom Rawlings - BBC News ©

Music



RSA Christmas Concert

The annual RSA Christmas Concert will take place on **Tuesday 29th November at 7 pm in the Main Hall**, we will feature all the RSA senior and junior ensembles, as well as A level soloists and the AS Music class. Tickets are £5 adults and £3 Under 19s from Student Services.

Mrs Petersen

Catering

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Chinese Cuisine
Tuesday 22nd November



We will be serving:

Set Meal for One

Battered Chicken or Quorn Balls
in a Sweet and Sour Sauce

Crunchy Vegetable Chow Mein

Egg-stra special Egg Fried Rice

Crispy Vegetable Spring Roll

Melt-in-the-mouth Prawn Crackers

All for £2.50

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Mrs Spencer and the Catering Team