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Calendar

MONDAY 5th DECEMBER
TUESDAY 6th DECEMBER
WEDNESDAY 7th DECEMBER
THURSDAY 8th DECEMBER Year 11 Mock Exams
FRIDAY 9th DECEMBER Year 11 Mock Exams

Student Reception Assistants

	Period 2	Period 5
Mon 5th Dec	Samuel Cleary-McHarg 7B11	Oliver Coe 7B11
Tues 6th Dec	Jake Coleman 7B11	Gauthier Cruycke 7B11
Wed 7th Dec	Niamh Ford 7B11	Maxwell Gent 7B11
Thurs 8th Dec	Emily Goddard 7B11	Natasha Hemmings 7B11
Fri 8th Dec	Alex Herdman 7B11	Francesca Higgins 7L11

Academy Term Dates



RSA Closes Friday 16th December (at 12.45 pm)

Spring Term 2016

Training Day Tuesday 3rd January

RSA Opens Wednesday 4th January

Mid Term Break Monday 13th to Friday 17th February

From the Principal

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Thank you to all of you who came along to the Christmas Concert on Tuesday evening. I'm sure you'll agree that it was a thoroughly enjoyable evening with so many impressive performances from students in all year groups. Well done to all those involved and many thanks to the performing arts and, of course, our catering team, for organising such a superb evening.

On a much less festive theme, Year 11 students begin mock exams which run up until the end of term. All students have received a timetable for the exam period which is also available on our website, along with useful tips for preparation and revision. The mocks are an important opportunity to sit assessments in exam conditions and to find out what needs to be done to reach target grades in the summer.

Parents of Year 10 students will receive their first Current Achievement Grades, along with an assessment of their attitude to learning. This report is an important indicator of the progress that students have made in their first term with us and, most importantly, how focussed they are on their studies. I know that, as parents, you will take this opportunity to discuss these grades with your son or daughter and help them to identify helpful targets to enable them to hit the ground running at the start of the spring term.

Have a good weekend.

Sue Jones

Year 7 Rewards

Congratulations to the following students in B12:

Evie Van Nierop Oliver Turner
Emma Martin Romily McCalla
Lauren Thorpe

These students will receive their bronze badge in recognition of hard work and progress in lessons as evidenced by 50 reward stars given to them by staff. They also receive 50 achievement points for themselves, their tutor group and their House.

They deserve to be congratulated. Well done!

Ms Hedley

Stars of the Week Week Ending Friday 25th November



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

Abigail Archer 11B1	Led an outstanding leadership session to the Btec group for PE. Excellent all round effort in lessons and at extra-curricular events.
Shanel Asker 11H1	Excellent effort in homework and brilliant contribution to lessons all week. Science neurone Rap Star!
Matthew Brown 13H10	Excellent leadership and assistance with extra-curricular activities in PE.
Lauren Chantler 13B7	Excellent leadership and assistance with extra-curricular activities in PE.
Naran Darjaa 12B2	Consistent standard of work and enthusiasm in G&P!
Harley Gibson 10L5	Harley has never played rugby before starting at RSA; he made his debut with a solid performance.
Ben Holland 11H2	Extra-curricular leadership and assistance in PE.
Zoe Marlow 11H3	For ongoing commitment and positive attitude in Art!
Ailsa McDonald 10B4	Outstanding achievement in swimming.
Becki Robbins 12H6	Consistent effort and enthusiasm in G&P!

Ms Hedley

Faculty Student of the Month

Each month teachers of KS4 classes nominate a student for this award and the Head of Faculty chooses a deserving winner in their subject area. Teachers nominate students for many different reasons, but it is always a student who has impressed whether that be through their attitude to learning, effort levels, progress, achievement or contribution to the community. Students get 50 achievement points for their tutor group and house. Such students are a delight to teach, role models for their peers and should be very proud to have received the recognition. **Well done to November's winners:**

Business Studies

Megan Connolly, 11B10

Leisure and Tourism – excellent work this month.

Design

Jonah Cripwell, 10B10

For positive attitude, endless hard work and perseverance.

English

Rebecca Schmalbach, 11H5

Fantastic application to studying – going the extra mile. Doing extra work and progressing rapidly.

Humanities

Josie Ronald, 11H2

Hard work, great focus and achievement in her History CA.

Maths

James Whelan, 11B4

For continued hard work.

Media

Alicia Fretter, 11B6

Consistent effort in class and excellent standard of homework.

MFL

Adam Smith, 11L10

Working really well and focussed in all lessons.

PE

Abigail Archer, 11B1

Excellent enthusiasm in all areas. Leading very good sessions in Sports Leadership and being actively involved in extra-curricular activity (Hockey and Football) throughout the month.

Performing Arts

Kraeshan Martes, 11L3

Good progress in practical work for GCSE Dance. Excellent work and always polite in Arts Award lessons.

Science

Ben Evans, 11L6

Showing an excellent analysis and evaluative approach in his coursework.

Ms Hedley

Calling all Year 11 Art Students!

Your FINAL coursework deadline (60% of your mark) is Thursday 8th December, straight after your mock exam. This is for BOTH projects. Lunchtime clubs will run daily TO SUPPORT YOU.

Miss Kenworthy

Year 10 Work Experience 2017

Last week we launched Work Experience 2017 in a Year 10 Assembly.

Year 10 Students will have the opportunity to go on work experience for a week during the summer term **Monday 3rd July – Friday 7th July.**

Applications for this need to be handed in to the main office by **Monday 20th February 2017**

Interest for work placements (listed below) need to go through the main office by **Friday 16th December** (the deadline has been extended) and **not** through direct contact with the organisations:

- Police
- Joules (Retail and Head Office)
- Protheroes
- Wooden House Kennels
- Fleckney Primary School
- Town and Country Vets
- Ashtree Vets

Letters and application forms have been distributed to Year 10 students, but they are also available on our website <http://www.rsacademy.co.uk/?p=62>

Please contact the work experience admin team if you have any enquiries.

Mr Webb & the Work Experience Team

Careers in Health and Caring Professions

Health Education England working across the East Midlands is working with a range of organisations across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland to stage a free event open to schools, colleges and the public, showcasing the huge range of careers in the NHS and Social Care.

The event will take place on the 8th March 2017 at Leicester Race Course from 10 am to 6 pm.

For more details go to:

www.hee.nhs.uk

Mr Webb

Christmas in Café Nouveau



From **Monday 5th December** come along and sample our Christmas treats!

Look out for our infamous hot roast turkey baguette; it's delectably indulgent, containing roast turkey, sausage, stuffing and cranberry sauce. The baguettes will be available on Tuesday and Thursday.

We will have a selection of festive shortbread for you to nibble on with one of our speciality coffees – why not try cinnamon or toasted marshmallow syrup for a winter twist.

And not forgetting our Christmas party on **Wednesday 14th December** at 12.30 pm in Café Nouveau. Tickets are available on a first come, first served basis from Mrs Blackler.

Christmas in Sixteen07



Come along and celebrate Christmas in Sixteen07. A Christmas lunch will be available on **Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th December** - £2.30 per meal. Details for this special lunch will be available shortly.

We will also be serving 'festive baguettes' containing:

Turkey, bacon and cranberry sauce
or
Brie and cranberry

When it's frosty outside, why not try a sparkly hot chocolate.

Come in and see if you are a winner – we will have Christmas stickers hidden. Will you find a sticker? There could be one in your pasta pot or jacket potato.

Find a sticker to grab a prize!

Mrs Spencer & the Catering Team