



MIDHURST MATTERS

Date	Year Group	Events/Details
Monday 20 January	10	UL Exams
	11	Progression Interviews
	11	Rewards Trip to Flip-Out - Evening
Tuesday 21 January	11	Exams
	11	Progression Interviews
Wednesday 22 January	11	Exams
	11	Progression Interviews
	11	Year 11 Final Push Evening
Thursday 23 January	11	Progression Interviews
	9	GCSE Options Evening 5.30-7pm in the Theatre
Friday 24 January	11	Progression Interviews

Austen	Kipling	Tennyson	Woolf
101,201 (7,033)	117,481 (6,915)	113,261 (7,474)	120,478 (7,876)

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This week I will be handing my opening message over to our new Head Girl and Head Boy. May I introduce Kelly and Ben.

Hi, I'm Kelly, I am so tremendously thrilled and honoured to have the privilege of calling myself the new Head Girl. Since starting at MRC, I have always felt so supported; so heartened by both the teachers and students alike – I truly wouldn't be the person I am today if it wasn't for the teacher's fostering their belief in me and driving me to really become the best version of myself. And so, I would like to give back to the school and also cultivate a positive difference, together with Ben, so that students and the school community can see that our school isn't just a high achieving school, but a school that likes to have fun too!

Hi, I'm Ben and I can say with so much excitement that I am the new Head Boy of MRC. This school has it all, from great teachers to students who want to have fun but are just as happy to really work hard and I am honoured to play a role in helping everyone to achieve the best they can. Alongside Kelly, I am determined to really make a difference and give back to the school that has helped me so much.

We are both so excited and eager to do our best as your new Head Boy and Head Girl and to implement new and exciting ideas that stem from the students' voices and finally, to uphold the benchmark that was so successfully set by Monty and Lyra. Thank you!

Kelly and Ben
Head Girl / Head Boy

KS3 & KS4 ASSESSMENT DIARY

Week Beginning: 20 January 2025

At MRC, students in Years 7-10 sit three assessments per year, with Year 11 sitting more, especially in core subjects, to help preparations for GCSE exams in the summer. These assessments support students to reflect on their progress, provide opportunities to practice and prepare for KS4 GCSE assessments in a 'low stakes' situation, provide teachers with an objective and comprehensive piece of work to judge students progress and an opportunity to report to parents/carers an accurate measure of their child's academic progress. These assessments cannot be 'failed' and simply give us all an indication of progress and attainment in different subjects – for many an encouragement, for a few some motivation to commit to hard work and progress.

Assessments are coming up for the following year groups:

- **Year 11** : in class assessments are taking place now
- **Year 10** : in class assessments begin for all subjects from 20 January 2025 onwards
- **Year 9** : in class assessments for all subjects (except English, mathematics and science) in the fortnight beginning 3 February 2025 United Learning assessments for English, mathematics and science in the fortnight beginning 27 January 2025
- **Year 8** : United Learning assessments for English, mathematics and science in the fortnight beginning 27 January 2025
- **Year 7** : United Learning assessments for English, maths and science this coming week 20 January 2025 onwards

Detailed dates for assessments are found via the link below. This page is updated every week : <https://www.mrc-academy.org/curriculum/assessment-dates>

Over the next week or two, class teachers will be sharing details of forthcoming assessments with your child, including the length of assessment, type of questions, topics that will be in the assessment and some revision activities that will be useful to help your child prepare. This will be available on Arbor as an assignment. Additional information and revision guidance can be found on the college website (<https://www.mrc-academy.org/curriculum/revision-resources>) at any time; this page provides useful ideas and strategies to support independent and effective revision by any child at any time.

Experience shows us that students who are well rested, have had a good breakfast and are properly prepared with the right equipment experience less stress and anxiety before assessments, and perform better. We thank you for supporting your child in their preparation.

We are also mindful that these assessments can create a degree of stress and anxiety – please do contact your Head of Year for support and advice should this be the case.

REVISION MATTERS

All schools test students regularly to gauge progress and report to parents. To help MRC students learn good exam technique, stay calm and do well in exam conditions we test students in core and foundation subjects from Year 7 onwards. By the time our students sit their actual GCSEs, and A levels, the exam room environment feels very familiar, so they can concentrate well on each question paper. Currently, Year 11 students must sit between 25 and 30 GCSE papers over 5 weeks of the summer term.

In view of our students needing to remember and answer questions on so much content, we are continuing to teach students more about why revision is needed and how to do it effectively. Each year group will have time dedicated to learning about and practising revision techniques in assemblies, tutor time and lessons. This year we want students to master a small number of revision techniques that they can apply independently when tests are coming up, so they can enter each test or exam feeling well prepared and confident.

Effective revision should be **FLAT!**

- **Focused**, put phones away, turn off the TV, find a quiet space and concentrate
- **Long term**, planned for rather than last minute, checking what's going to be tested to make the revision useful and relevant.
- **Active**, doing something creative, colourful, verbal or thoughtful with a sheet, notes or learning materials, not just copying it out.
- **Transformed**, the revision notes, card, audio recording made should look different and or be summarised and be useful for a quick refresher the day before an exam

Your child may already like making the following or should soon be trying out mind maps, flowcharts and timelines. They might play Snowball, Chocolate Bar, Lift Pass or Odd One Out in class and then demonstrate these revision tools to you at home. To read more about these revision tools and maybe try them out to help your child revise please follow this link <https://www.mrc-academy.org/curriculum/year-11>.

Thank you to so many parents and carers who support children at home with revision. We hope everyone will find some of these games and techniques help them revise and retain more knowledge and skills before exams.



YEAR 11

Progression Interviews

All Year 11 students will be having their Progression Interviews with a member of SLT (Senior Leadership Team) or the Sixth Form Team, to discuss their career aspirations and their plans for next year.

We are pleased to confirm that all current students who achieve the required grades are automatically reserved a place in MRC Sixth Form. Students will receive a conditional offer letter once all interviews are completed.

Elevate Education Webinar

Elevate Education are hosting the next Live Parent Webinar: How to Help Your Child Improve Their Note Taking on Tuesday 21 January 6-7pm. [Click here to join.](#)

The Final Push Evening Year 11 - Wednesday 22 January

We enjoyed meeting you all at the face to face consultation evening on Wednesday evening, a great turn out and many useful conversations were had. We hope you found the evening beneficial.

The Year 11 team are looking forward to seeing you all again on Wednesday 22 January for the Final Push Event, which aims to equip you with tips, support and ideas to help you assist your child in these final months. Starting informally at 5.30pm with a presentation at 6pm. There will then be the opportunity to continue conversations started at the consultation evening or start new ones if needed. Thank you for your continued support during this important year.

Mrs Lunskey

COLLEGE NOTICES

MRC COMMUNITY DAY 2025 - SAVE THE DATE

Attention all local businesses, agencies and groups!

The Midhurst Rother College Community Day 2025 will be held on Saturday 26 April from 10am-2pm.

It's a great event where we open up the College to demonstrate what our community has on offer and for you to advertise your wares and also grab a few sales too. Stalls are free of charge to all.

If you would like a space at the event please use this link to express interest:

[MRC Community Day -Expression of Interest](#)

Midhurst Rother College Community Day Saturday 26 April 2025 10am-2pm

Calling all local businesses, agencies and groups to join us at this event to

- share your skills
- demonstrate your crafts
- promote your goods
- recruit new members
- engage with the local community

It's all about what's on offer on our doorstep!

ALL STAND & EXHIBITION SPACE FREE OF CHARGE

For more information email: madeline.hathaway@mrc-academy.org
or contact the College Office: 01730 812451



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DEPARTMENT NEWS

DANCE DEPARTMENT

NYDC Dance Workshop

Last term our dance students had the great opportunity to attend the NYDC Dance workshop. This workshop is lead by professional Dancers from the Sadler's Wells National Youth Dance Company, introducing and practicing a choreography from a professional choreographer.

To see our students coming out of their shells and coming out of this workshop with so much confidence and skills was absolutely fantastic!

Mrs Rampton



ART DEPARTMENT

GCSE and A Level Fine Art/Textiles/Technology/ Photography Coursework and externally set assignments 2024

A reminder that all coursework is available for collection between 31 October 2024 - 14 February 2025 - after this date we cannot guarantee storage of the work. Please email tracey.bedford@mrc-academy.org to arrange collection.



DRAMA DEPARTMENT

'Cinderella' at Chichester Festival Theatre - December 2024

Myself and Miss Buckenham were lucky enough to see some of our past and present students perform in this year's Chichester Festival Youth Theatre's production of 'Cinderella' at Chichester Festival Theatre. We were so proud of them all as they shone on the stage. Sasha K, Reuben D, Hugo M-W, Dolly V and Lucy T. Fantastic performances and a credit to Midhurst Rother College. Can't wait for next year's show!

Mrs Strachan

*'Cinderella' was, in short, an amazing experience! I met such kind and lovely people in the lengthy rehearsals and performances that came afterwards. The cast really became a family to me. It was incredibly professional (some of the cast had worked in the West End) and gave me an idea of what to expect in the future. It made me realise how many people make a performance other than just the people onstage, from the chaperones to lighting to mics and costume. I feel unbelievably honoured to have been selected into that small group of talented people that made such a stunning performance – **Reuben D***



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COMPUTER SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Year 7 Micro:bit Project

Last term, my Year 7 students were looking at how microbits can be used to solve real world issues. I wanted to give special recognition to Frederick F, Theo O-S, Joshua C and Ned S who came up with an amazing solution to tackle poverty and homelessness using the microbits radios to keep them safe and aware of local shelters. It was a great project which they presented to the class.

Keep up the good work!

Mr Odedra



LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE

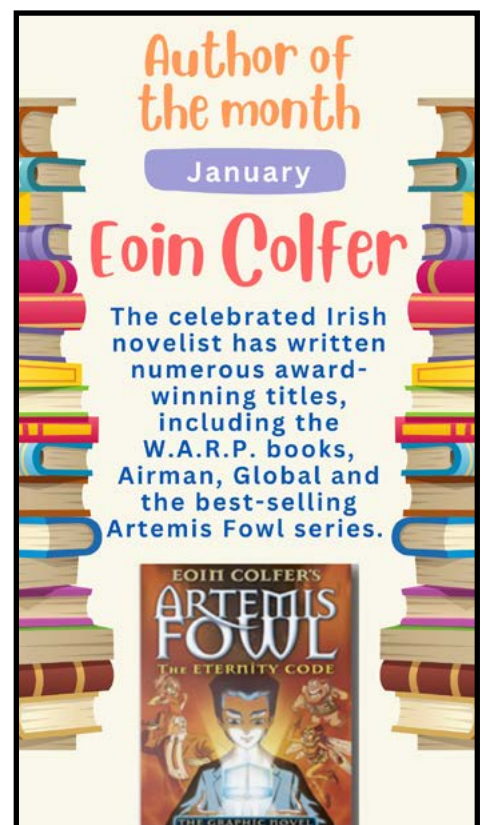
Author of the Month

Eoin (pronounced Owen) Colfer from Wexford, Ireland, is a best-selling children's fantasy author who has sold over 20 million books worldwide, having drawn inspiration from the Viking stories that were read to him at primary school.

Well-travelled after completing his degree at Dublin University, he has used his knowledge to great effect, with his many stories spanning the globe.

His books about the 12-year-old criminal mastermind Artemis Fowl, first published in 2001, are probably his best-known works, but there are many more to explore, waiting in the library.

Mrs Hastings



SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Grammar Stream

Just before Christmas, the Grammar Stream Group went on a trip to Chichester Planetarium. This was to go along with their projects on black holes that they completed earlier in the year. The students loved the experience!

Mr Coombes

The visit to Chichester Planetarium was an amazing experience to be a part of. It was fun and educational. John (the speaker) was very knowledgeable in anything to do with space and space exploration. In the planetarium we had good views of different subjects to do with space, many of which I didn't know before. Overall, it was a wonderful day, and I would love to go back there. Isla J

I absolutely loved our grammar stream trip to the planetarium. Spending time with my friends out of school learning new facts was great. The night sky projection was amazing, and I learned about the Andromeda Galaxy colliding with ours in a 6 billion light years (roughly)

Seeing the different planets, learning about star formation and constellations has sparked my interest in space.

The volunteers were helpful and knowledgeable – it was a really good trip. Would recommend. Esme J

At the planetarium. We learned about the international space station and the planets. I thought the whole building was cool and I enjoyed the plane seats that we sat in to watch the show. I enjoyed the contrast of seeing the night sky and how it looks different with the effect of light pollution. I also enjoyed seeing the different constellations such as Orion's belt and the shapes they make in the sky when highlighted. The video about the international space station was interesting and it was amazing to see how the astronauts live and eat while in space. It was quite eye opening to think that the astronauts spend months on end up there. I'm not sure I could do that. Nancy M

Scientist of the Week

The Scientists of the week are listed below, keep up the good work!

Year 7	Kitty K Daniel B
Year 8	William D Lucy R-H
Year 9	Gemma H Finn P
Year 10	Charlie W Maisie B
Year 11	Rose F Luke C



PE DEPARTMENT

Boys Senior Basketball

With a mix of Year 11 and Sixth Form students, MRC took on Chichester High School in a basketball fixture. For some, this was their first ever competitive game but this did not show early on with MRC going up 9-0 at the start of the first quarter. The boys, lead by Joe W and Rudy T, played admirably throughout the game, with some great lay ups by Boris K, lots of energy from Ben S and a swish 3 pointer from Lachlan W. Unfortunately, on this occasion the boys came out on the losing side, going down 36-24.

MVP goes to Joe W for scoring plenty of points, providing great defensive work with 4 blocks and leading the team well.

Mr Marshall



Cross Country - Sussex School Cross Country Championships

On Tuesday we took a group of students to attend the Sussex Schools Cross Country Championships at Waterhall in Brighton. The weather conditions were great, but the course soon became very muddy in various parts of the course. The students from Years 8, 9 and 10 all ran brilliantly. Each race had more participants than I have ever seen. Standout performance was Ivo in year 9 who finished in 22nd place.

Mr Hancock

Football

Year 10 vs Year 11 MRC Derby!

We had our first MRC Derby on Thursday which was played in great spirits. The year 11's won emphatically 8-1 but that was not a true reflection of the game as the Year 10's battled really well and looked to play some nice passing football out from the back. As it was their first game this year, coaches Dom B and Charlie H looked to rotate players throughout the game and also gave them chances in different positions in preparation for their upcoming school fixtures. Well done to the boys for this!

Archie J lead the Year 11 team who took the lead through a penalty converted by Will A. It took until after the break for the Year 11' to find their next goal through Jake H, which was a fantastic finish from range. These brilliant goals continued towards the end of the game, with another goal for Will A, 4 for Owain A, and a last second strike for Jonny G. Harley G scored a very well worked goal for the ear 10' midway through the second half, set up by Dom B but it wasn't enough to push them forward on this occasion.

Thank you to all players, coaches, fans and linesmen for coming out for the match!

Mr Marshall



Netball

Y7-11 netball club is still taking place this term on Mondays after school until 4:30pm, anyone new is welcome to join.

Equestrian

Over Christmas Beau W, Year 10 took part in some show jumping events, she was placed 2nd and 3rd. Congratulations Beau!

Sailing

2025 will see the MRC Sailing Team get underway, with 4 students in Year 8, 9 & 10 set to take part in some race training sessions this year, as well as represent the school in the Itchenor School's Week Dinghy Sailing Competition at the end of June. If there are any more young sailors at the school please make yourselves known to Miss Howard & Dr Dean.

GEOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT

NEA Survey - Improvements to High Streets

If you have a spare 5 minutes would you please consider completing Mia H in Year 13's Improvement to High Streets Survey as part of her geography NEA.

Thank you.

Please click on the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/e/1K3jWwfwrj>

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

In partnership with West Sussex Music, MRC are now hosting Tomorrow's Orchestra Programme (TOP25) for wannabe musicians in Years 3-6.

TOP25 is a three-term programme for complete beginners aged 7 to 11 yrs old (Year 3 to Year 6). It includes:

- Free instrumental lessons.
- Instrument loan for the year.
- Membership of the TOP Orchestra.

Space still available for brass and woodwind Tuesday at Midhurst Rother College 4:30pm-6:00pm.

TOP25 runs for three terms from January to December. The first term is free* and terms 2 and 3 just £75 per term.

*There is a one-off non-refundable booking fee of £10.

For more details scan the QR code or visit <https://www.westsussexmusic.co.uk/top/> to book your place.



TOMORROW'S ORCHESTRA PROGRAMME



Starting in JANUARY 2025!

TOMORROW'S ORCHESTRA PROGRAMME
FREE group lessons on orchestral instruments for children aged 7 - 11

MIDHURST ROTHER COLLEGE
Tuesdays

- ✓ Free for term one
- ✓ Free instrument hire*
- ✓ Play in an orchestra

*A booking fee of £10 will apply to cover instrument delivery

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MRC MUSIC DEPARTMENT


MUSIC ENSEMBLES



MONDAY LUNCH ADVANCED CHOIR
K017




MONDAY P6 CHOIR FOR ALL
K017




WEDNESDAY LUNCH STRING ENSEMBLE
K021


WEDNESDAY P6 ORCHESTRA
K021



WEDNESDAY LUNCH CLARINET ENSEMBLE
K017



FRIDAY LUNCH FLUTE ENSEMBLE
K020 (practice room)



FRIDAY LUNCH JAZZ BAND (ADVANCED PLAYERS)
K017

CAREERS INFORMATION

Rolls-Royce Apprenticeships

All Rolls-Royce Motor Cars Apprenticeships are now live on their website, visit: <https://www.bmwgroup.jobs/gb/en/rolls-royce-motorcars-futuretalent.html>

They have updated the page with more testimonials as well as registration links to two webinars. One will be in school time (10 Feb - you will need to complete an absence request form for the Attendance Team <https://www.mrc-academy.org/Portals/0/Library/documents/Attendance/Student%20Absence%20Request%20Form.pdf?ver=2019-05-21-141007-650>) and the other in the evening (18 March).

These webinars are a chance for young people and their families to learn more about the application and assessment process and to hear from current apprentices.

All information and registration links are on their website.



MRC Careers Fair 2025

MIDHURST ROTHER COLLEGE
CAREERS FAIR 

2025

Would you or your company like to attend our Careers Fair and share your knowledge and expertise.

This is an excellent opportunity for our students (11-18 years) to engage with a wide array of post 16 course providers and employers.

 Tuesday
4 March, 2025

 Start At:
10:00 am

Please email: samantha.jones@mrc-academy.org for more information
Midhurst Rother College, North St, Midhurst, West Sussex, GU29 9DT



Where are you now? Join MRC Alumni

It's been years...we hope that you left Midhurst Rother College with all the tools for your next steps in life. We would really like to know what you are doing now and what you have been doing since you left. Did you go to university, take an apprenticeship course, start a business or perhaps start working for a family business, have you taken a well-trodden or an unusual Career path? Please scan the QR code below to join our central Alumni Community at Lifelong United Learning to update us or click this link [Lifelong United Learning | Support Us | United Learning](#).

You might also want to join our new Midhurst Rother College (MRC) page on [LinkedIn](#) (if you add us as your Education on LinkedIn you will be automatically added as our MRC Alumni, or you can choose to follow us).

It really would be great to hear from you as it's always nice to hear about old students! Please do get in touch.



CAREERS INFORMATION

NHS
England
South East



VIRTUAL NHS ENGLAND SOUTH EAST ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS INSIGHT EVENT

Are you a student, parent/carer or teacher,
or considering a change in career?

Join this event to hear about all the roles
within allied health professions, how to become
a podiatrist and the career and educational
pathways available, including apprenticeships

There will be a diverse panel of speakers,
talking about different settings a podiatrist
could work in, sharing their insights and
experiences



LIVE Q&A
SESSION

MS Teams Meeting
Scan the QR code to join
Or join by clicking [here](#)
Meeting ID: 315 626 501 567
Passcode: GD6eg3vs



MONDAY 10 FEBRUARY
5.00PM – 6.00PM

SCAN ME

NHS
England
South East



VIRTUAL NHS ENGLAND SOUTH EAST MIDWIFERY INSIGHT EVENT

Are you a student, parent/carer
or teacher, or considering a
change in career?

Join this event to hear from midwifery
colleagues to learn how to become
a midwife, the role of a midwife
and the different routes to midwifery

There will be a diverse panel of speakers,
talking about different settings a midwife could
work in, sharing their insights and experiences



LIVE Q&A
SESSION

MS Teams Meeting
Scan the QR code to join
Or join by clicking [here](#)
Meeting ID: 388 676 067 682
Passcode: nN6so2Ta



THURSDAY 6 FEBRUARY
5.00PM – 6.00PM

SCAN ME

STUDENT RECEPTION

FREE Sanitary Products

We have a plentiful and varied stock of sanitary products at Student Reception, **FREE** to students! Just pop by and stock up!



Uniform

A reminder to label all uniform so it can be returned to its rightful owner should it be misplaced. Especially blazers as they are a key piece of uniform and a costly item.

Hoodies

As the weather gets colder, a gentle reminder to students and parents that coats are obviously allowed to be worn, but HOODIES are not part of the uniform and will be removed from students if they wear them to College or during break times. Leggings are also not acceptable as part of the school uniform.

Coats over blazers are of course perfectly acceptable, we don't want anyone getting cold, but hoodies are not permitted for school, PE or Dance - we have a no hoodies on site policy. Please click on the link below for the uniform policy if you are unsure on any of the uniform.

[UNIFORM POLICY](#)



Negative Uniform/Jewellery Points

'Pink Slips' are assigned to students who are not conforming to our uniform/jewellery policy. A negative point is added to your child's Arbor and each point represents one pink slip that has been issued over the course of the current week – one negative point per pink slip. If you have any queries regarding the issuing of the negative point, please email enquiries@mrc-academy.org.

Thank you for working with us to help keep our students smart, it is so important in setting them up to achieve!

INTRODUCING THE SYLVIA BEAUFOY CENTRE: A HUB OF OPPORTUNITY FOR LOCAL YOUNG PEOPLE

We are thrilled to introduce The Sylvia Beaufoy Centre, a vibrant community space located in the heart of Petworth, designed to inspire, support, and empower young people aged 8–18. Our mission is simple: to provide a safe, inclusive, and engaging environment where young people can develop skills, explore their passions, and build lifelong friendships.

With over 50 years of serving the community, the Centre continues to thrive as a hub of creativity, learning, and adventure. Offering a wide range of activities—from social and recreational sessions to skill-based programs like cooking and the Duke of Edinburgh’s Award—we are proud to cater to the diverse interests and needs of young people.

What We Offer

At the Sylvia Beaufoy Centre, we run weekly sessions that include:

Youth Socials: A relaxed environment where young people can unwind with friends, get creative with crafts, join sports competitions, or engage in meaningful conversations about current issues.

Greenpower Racing: A unique program where students build and race electric cars, fostering teamwork, engineering skills, and confidence.

Youth Café: A fun space for young people to develop cooking skills and experiment with new recipes.

Duke of Edinburgh’s Award:

Offering Bronze, Silver, and Gold levels, the DofE program encourages teamwork, resilience, and personal growth through volunteering, physical activity, and expeditions.

X-Hale Wellbeing Sessions: Focused on mindfulness and emotional health, these sessions have become a valuable resource for many of our participants.

Exciting News and Opportunities

Starting this term, we’ll be bringing you regular updates in your school newsletter, keeping you informed about our latest programs, events, and achievements. Expect to hear about inspiring stories, exciting activities, and opportunities for your children to get involved.



Our Centre thrives on collaboration, and we are always looking for volunteers, sponsors, and community partners to join us in making a difference. Whether you’re a parent, business owner, or simply passionate about youth development, we’d love to hear from you.

Get Involved

To learn more about what we do, visit our website at www.sylviabeaufoy.org or follow us on social media for the

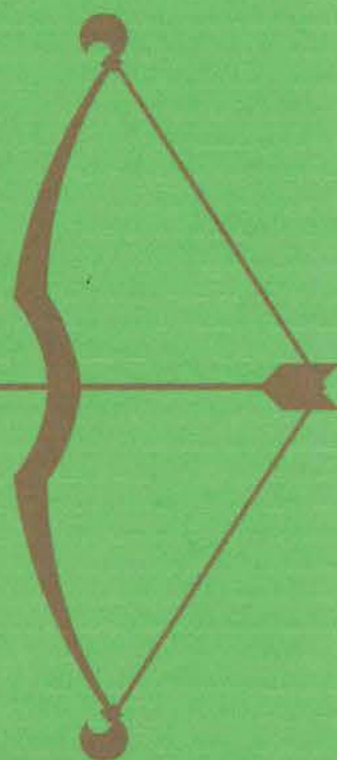
latest updates. Or to register your child please complete the attached form and send back to enquiries@sylviabeaufoy.org.

Together, let’s make 2025 a year of growth, adventure, and opportunity for the young people in our community. Keep an eye out for our next update—and we look forward to welcoming you to the Sylvia Beaufoy Centre!



PETWORTH PLAYERS PRESENTS

ROBIN HOOD



AND THE WITCHES OF SHERWOOD

SHOWING 31ST JAN - 2ND FEB 2025

FRIDAY 31ST JAN - 7:30PM

SATURDAY 1ST FEB - 2:30PM / 7:30PM

SUNDAY 2ND FEB - 2:30PM

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TICKETS: ADULT £10 | CHILD £7 | FAMILY £28 (FAMILY OF 4)

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REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

BUILD-A-GAME CODING WORKSHOP

Have you ever dreamed of designing your very own game?

Join our exciting Kids Coding Workshops for budding game developers aged 10-14 and turn your ideas into reality using the Godot engine!

Six weekly sessions from Saturday, 11 January - Saturday 15 February.

2pm - 3.30pm.

£4 per session, or £20 to attend all 6 sessions.

Learn to create games from scratch or enhance your Godot coding skills.

Work on projects of all levels.

What to Bring:

A computer or laptop. Godot runs on Windows, Linux, and MacOS online.

No laptop? No problem! Talk to a staff member about borrowing one of ours. Please note that library laptops can only be used on-site, so you won't be able to take your project home to work on it.

Get creative, meet like-minded gamers, and bring your vision to life. You can attend as many sessions as you like—don't miss the chance to level up your skills!

Please note that Godot will only run on Windows, Mac and Linux it will not run on a Chrome Book.

Book Now: haslemere.library@surreycc.gov.uk



BUILD-A-GAME

CODING WORKSHOPS



**SAT 11TH
JAN - SAT
15TH FEB
2pm-3.30pm**

£4 per session or £20 for all 6

6 weekly sessions
for beginner & intermediate coders
aged 10-14 using Godot engine

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CALENDARS / DIARY DATES

MRC Performing Arts - Calendar of Events 2025

Spring Term 2025

Saturday 8 February	CFMDS - Woodwind	Flute ensemble Clarinet ensemble (+ any soloists who have entered)	New Park, Chichester
Wednesday 26 February	Dance House 1	MRC Dance Teams Minibus	Worthing Theatre
Saturday 1 March	CFMDS Festival	Orchestra Jazz Band Flute ensemble	St Pauls, Chichester
Saturday 8 March	CFMDS	Choirs	St Pauls, Chichester, from 9am
Tuesday 18 March	Yr 11 Component 2 exam (1)	GCSE Drama Yr 11	MRC Theatre
Wednesday 19 March	Yr 11 Component 2 exam (2)	GCSE Drama Yr 11	MRC Theatre
Thursday 20 March	Gilbert Hannam Day	Orchestra	St. Mary Magdalene & St. Denys
Wednesday 26 March	Spring Concert	Orchestra Choir Jazz Strings, flutes Drama/production groups Soloists (by invite) Bands	MRC Theatre
Thursday 27 March	Choreography showcase event	Yr 11 Dance Plus dance groups	MRC Theatre
Friday 28 March	Rother Valley Arts Festival	MRC Dance Teams	MRC Theatre
Tuesday 1 April	ROH Create and Sing launch for Magic Flute	Invited students – Singers plus orchestral players (audition)	Royal Opera House

Summer 2025

April TBC	Yr 13 Music recital	Yr 13	MRC Theatre
Thursday 3 April	Dance showcase event	Yr 11/10	MRC Theatre
Wednesday 30 April	Dance House 2	MRC Dance Teams Minibus	Worthing Festival Theatre
Tuesday 6 May	Yr 10 Drama Performance	GCSE Drama Yr10	MRC Theatre
Thursday 8 May	Yr 10 Drama Performance	GCSE Drama YR10	MRC Theatre
Wednesday 21 May	Yr 12 Component 1	Yr 12	MRC Theatre
Tuesday 24 June	Magic Flute	Invited students	Royal Festival Hall
June TBC	Drama Day		MRC Theatre
Thursday 26 June	Addams Family – School production!	Cast and orchestra of Addams Family	MRC Theatre
Friday 27 June	Addams Family – School production	Cast and orchestra of Addams Family	MRC Theatre
Tuesday 15 July	Drama and Music House Cup	Yr 7	MRC Theatre Music P1-4 Drama 5-6

DIARY DATES

These dates are accurate at the time of publishing.

Date	Event
17 - 21 February	Half Term
7 - 21 April	Easter Holidays
22 April	INSET Day
5 May	Bank Holiday
26 - 30 May	Half Term
2 June	Bank Holiday
18 July	Last Day of Term / Academic Year



UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD'S TRACKING POINT REPORT

Throughout the year, parents receive Tracking Point (TP) reports which record Attitude to Learning (A2L), subject grades and gives an overview of attendance for their child. There are 3 TPs in Years 7 – 10, and 4 TPs in Years 11 – 13. This information will be released and viewed on the Arbor platform.

Attitude to Learning (A2L)

A2L is split into four key focus areas and defined as follows:

Classwork: This measures the degree to which a student engages and contributes to lessons. This considers a student's ability and willingness to ask questions, contribute to discussions, engage with classroom activities, produce work to the highest of their ability, seek out extension tasks, and take responsibility for their own learning.

Homework: This measures student engagement with independent work set. This considers a student's reliability to complete and hand work in on time, the quality of the work being produced, and also reflects levels of personal organisation.

Prepared for Learning: This relates to personal standards in and around the College. This considers punctuality to lessons and having the right equipment for learning. For Sixth Form, this includes meeting deadlines, dress code adherence and the use of study periods.

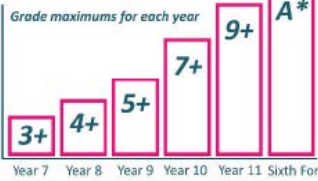
Behaviour for Learning: This measures student attitudes within the classroom. This considers a student's ability to remain focused on tasks, levels of engagement, and positive and negative incidents that impact on their learning or the learning of others - ensuring that all students have the right to uninterrupted learning.

Students will receive a score for each of the above elements on a scale of 1 – 4:

Table with 3 columns: Score (4, 3, 2, 1), Description (Outstanding, Good, Inconsistent, Unsatisfactory), and Explanation (Exceptionally high standards always met, Mostly high standards, some inconsistencies which leave room for improvement, Variable standards, satisfactory as often as unsatisfactory. Negatively affects achievement, Standards are often unacceptable. Considerable impact on achievement and learning of others).



Grades



Students receive a GCSE grade in Years 7-11 as part of each TP. As a parent/carer, you will also be provided with a grade following each examination window, along with an average grade. Each year group has a maximum grade they can receive 3+ in Year 7, 4+ in Year 8, 5+ in Year 9, 7+ in Year 10, 9+ in Year 11 and A* in Year 13.

Attendance

Attendance matters! As a parent/carer, you will see an overall attendance figure for your child (given as a percentage). This diagram details the correlation between attendance and education, and how attendance can impact success and life chances. Discussion and support are always offered to maximise the outcomes for every individual.



If you have any questions regarding the report, please contact your child's Head of Year and/or classroom teacher(s).

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