



# MIDHURST MATTERS

Date	Year Group	Events/Details
Monday 13 May	11	English Literature Paper 1 GCSE
Tuesday 14 May	11 11 7 & 8	French GCSE Business Studies GCSE Cricket fixture
Wednesday 15 May	11 13 11 11	History GCSE Economics A-Level Psychology GCSE Computer Science GCSE
Thursday 16 May	13 11 11	Geography A-Level Maths GCSE Religious Studies GCSE School of Rock - School Production 7pm in the Theatre
Friday 17 May	11 11 13 11	Combined Science GCSE Chemistry GCSE Psychology A-Level Geography GCSE School of Rock - School Production 7pm in the Theatre

Austen	Kipling	Tennyson	Woolf
116,525 (4,077)	132,900 (4,549)	131,958 (4,112)	111,588 (3,781)

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This has been a very busy week in College. The College was inspected by Ofsted on Wednesday and Thursday this week. We had a team of five inspectors on Wednesday and four on Thursday. Three of the team were 'HMI' His Majesty's Inspectors and two were Ofsted Inspectors. The report will be published in due course and I look forward to sharing it with you in full when it is released.

The weather is improving (or certainly has this week!). I'd like to remind parents/carers that students are permitted to wear black tailored plain shorts (not cargo) to school instead of trousers, should they wish to do so. The rest of the uniform remains the same. There is an image of the type of shorts that are acceptable in this edition of Midhurst Matters.

The Sixth Form had their Celebration Day today – this involves a barbecue lunch for them, as well as an inflatable assault course and Sumo suits. You can see photos of these below.

The exams are now well and truly upon us – I would like to wish all students the very best of luck over the coming weeks.

Best wishes.

**Stuart Edwards**  
Principal



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## EXAM SEASON

### Supporting Students With Exam Pressure

It is a stressful time of year for students, and some may need extra support to get through these challenging exam weeks. We have included some articles below that we hope will help you support students.

[Coping with exam pressure - a guide for students - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

[Information for 11-18 year olds – Exam stress - Mind](#)  
[Academic and exam stress : Mentally Healthy Schools](#)

## FOODBANK FRIDAY

On Friday 24 May, we will be holding another Foodbank Friday. We are always overwhelmed by your generosity in supporting our local Foodbank. For this collection, the Foodbank have suggested items from the list below would be very useful for them to receive:

Tinned fruit, tinned custard or rice pudding, instant whips, tinned meat products, tinned fish, barbecue sauces, liquid hand wash, shower gel, shampoo, deodorant, rice, instant flavoured noodles, long life milk.

A reminder that we are a referral point for the Foodbank and if you at any point require any Foodbank vouchers, then please do not hesitate in contacting us via [foodbank@mrc-academy.org](mailto:foodbank@mrc-academy.org) or through your child's Year Head.

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

At the weekend Millie T and Santi F in Year 7, won the U12 Football County Cup Final U12 League Shield alongside their team Fernhurst Sports Terriers by a whopping 6-0! Fernhurst Terriers are looking for more football fanatics to join their team for next season. Please contact Mrs Dyall at MRC reception ([georgie.dyall@mrc-academy.org](mailto:georgie.dyall@mrc-academy.org)) if your child would like to join this brilliantly successful team!



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## ASSESSMENTS COMING UP!

Week beginning : 13 May 2024

Assessments are coming up for the following year groups

- Year 10 : United Learning assessments for all subjects (except English) in the three weeks beginning 10 June 2024
- Year 9 : United Learning assessments for all subjects (except Science) in the fortnight beginning 10 June 2024
- Year 8 : United Learning assessments for all subjects in the fortnight beginning 10 June 2024
- Year 7 : United Learning assessments for all subjects in the fortnight beginning 3 June 2024

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.

Please support your child in preparing well for these assessments with effective revision, adequate rest the night before and a good breakfast to fuel them for the day. It is also very helpful to ensure students have appropriate equipment – pens, pencils, highlighters as a minimum. 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.

## STUDENT RECEPTION

### Call For Preloved School Uniform

As the end of the academic year approaches fast, a reminder that we gratefully receive any Year 11 uniform which still has some life in it (once they have completed their exams). We are always happy to receive donations of uniform that students have outgrown from all Year groups to replenish our stocks.

### Water Bottles

All students are expected to bring water bottles into school especially in the warmer months to stay hydrated.

Water fountains are located in the lower main Hub and the PE Department for ice cold water refills.

## UNIFORM

### MRC Uniform Policy

We expect our students to wear full uniform whilst in College. See below links to view our Uniform Policy for a refresher. If you need help with uniform please contact your Head of Year. Just a reminder that all students are expected to wear black short socks and not white during the summer months.

### Year 11

Full uniform must be worn during the exam season by all Year 11 students.

[Uniform.pdf \(mrc-academy.org\)](#)

[Uniform policy.pdf \(mrc-academy.org\)](#)

### Acceptable School Shorts



## CHEERLEADING

### Regional Cheerleading Competition

Next weekend we will be competing at a regional cheerleading competition against other schools at the K2 Leisure Centre in Crawley. We would like to thank the cheerleaders for giving up their Friday afternoons and INSET day for extra practice and wish them the best of luck and look forward to sharing lots of pictures.

Congratulations to Liv and Maisy, two of our current cheerleaders, who recently competed with the Sussex Tornados and placed 2nd!

In International cheerleading news, two of our Alumni have just competed at Worlds in Florida! Congratulations to Gaby Hogg for a perfect run with the Sussex Tornados and to Chloe Kopecek for a 1st place World Championship title with Unity Ruby.

We are very proud coaches.

Mrs Norcross, Mrs Beech and Miss Cooper

## PE DEPARTMENT

Senior Mountbatten results from last Wednesday. There were 10 teams in total competing in the athletics competition. Some amazing individual performances and hopefully we will get some students selected for the area team to attend the County finals. Well done everyone.

Junior Girls (Year 8+9) - 3rd Place

Junior Boys (Year 8+9) - 2nd Place

Intermediate Girls (Year 10+11) - 4th Place

Intermediate Boys (Year 10+11) - 3rd Place

## MATHS DEPARTMENT

Congratulations to all the Year 7 and Year 8 students who took part in the Junior UKMT Maths Challenge last week. 33 received a Bronze, 10 received a Silver, and 4 received a Gold. An extra special congratulations to Molly B (Best in School), Archie A-S, and Benjamin N, who scored well enough to advance to the Junior UKMT Kangaroo, which will take place on Tuesday 11.



## SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

### Student of The Week

Students of the Week are as follows...

Year 7 - Elze M

Year 8 - Monty W

Year 9 - Alice H / Hannah C

Year 10 - Abi M

Year 11 - Kyle S

Well done to all our Science stars!



## Midhurst Rother College Sixth Form

### Futures Newsletter 46 – 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024



Good luck to all students as they start their examinations this month!

Any Year 13 students who have not replied to UCAS offers, please do so as soon as possible, and remember to apply for student finance. Year 12 please ensure you are completing your UpLearn!

#### Open Days

[Search | Open days and events | UCAS](#) – UCAS search for upcoming open days.

[McTimoney College Of Chiropractic \(Abingdon\)](#) – **17<sup>th</sup> May 2024 10:30am-1:30pm** – If you are interested in Chiropractic courses for people or animals.

[Kingston Maurward College](#) – **19<sup>th</sup> May 10am-1pm** - If you're interested in studying animals, plants and the natural world.

[The Engineering & Design Institute London](#) – **1<sup>st</sup> June 2024 11am-2pm**. Discover what it's like to be a future engineer at the engineering-specialist campus in Canada Water, London.

[Anglia Ruskin University](#) – **8<sup>th</sup> June 10am-2pm** - You'll find a vast selection of Business and Law, Science and Engineering, Arts and Humanities, and Health and Education courses.

[University of Brighton](#) – Open Days: City Campus **8<sup>th</sup> June 2024 9:30am-4pm**. Moulsecoomb Campus **15<sup>th</sup> June 9:30am-4pm**. Falmer Campus **29<sup>th</sup> June 2024 9:30-3:30pm**

[Bloomsbury Institute London](#) – **12<sup>th</sup> June 3pm-6pm**.

[University of Sussex](#) – **15<sup>th</sup> June 2024 9am-3:30pm**

[The University Of Warwick](#) – **15<sup>th</sup> June and 22<sup>nd</sup> June 9:15am-4pm**.

[The University of Law \(Multiple Campus Location tours\)](#) – **15<sup>th</sup> June 10am-1pm**. If you are interested in studying law and want to find out more about the range of law degrees offered

[Manchester Metropolitan University](#) – **19<sup>th</sup> June 9:30am-4pm**.

[Liverpool John Moores University](#) – **21<sup>st</sup> June 9am-3:30pm**

[Bangor University](#) – **29<sup>th</sup> June 9am-4pm**.

#### Opportunities and Work Experience

[University of Edinburgh – Veterinary Medicine Diversity Summer School](#) – **Apply by 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024** for a fully funded place 14<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

[Girls into Electronics](#) - a series of one day events hosted by leading universities across the UK this summer, led by United Kingdom Electronics Skills Foundation. The events are ideal for girls in year 12, who are thinking about studying Electronics, Computer Science or Engineering.

[University of Brighton – Student Life at University](#) – Online Q&A on **8<sup>th</sup> May 2024 5pm-6pm**. Join to get an insight and information on student life and the student experience, and a chance to ask questions to current students.

[Law and Finance](#) summer experiences this summer from InvestIN

[Medicine and Game Design](#) work experience from ARU – eligibility criteria apply

[Pathway to Property Summer School at Henley Business School](#) – **Apply by 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024**. During the four days you will get an insight into the property sector and learn about different career routes into the industry.

[The Science in Medicine School Teams Prize 2024](#) – applications are now open

[University of Sheffield](#) - Taster sessions on a range of subjects, such as Aerospace and Engineering, Chemistry, English, Geography, Landscape Architecture, Music, Orthopaedics, Psychology, Urban Studies.

[Arts University Bournemouth](#) - All Access AUB 2024/25 Applications Now Open - take part in a fully funded summer residential, have work included in an international industry-standard exhibition, receive one to one support from Arts University Bournemouth ('AUB') tutors to develop portfolio and attend a transition to creative higher education event.

[University of Sussex Access Summer School](#) – beneficial for those on the fence regarding university. 16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> July. **Application deadline 19<sup>th</sup> May**.

## Apprenticeships

[Find an Apprenticeship](#) – Click the link to find new apprenticeship vacancies.

[British Army Apprenticeship Webinar from Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

[Workshop & Webinars - Amazing Apprenticeships](#) - A series of informative webinars that will provide an abundance of tips, advice, and information around the topic of apprenticeships.

[Why do an Apprenticeship?](#) - Everything you need to know about apprenticeships in England.

[UCAS Degree Apprenticeship Information](#)

[Prospects Degree Apprenticeship Information](#)

[UCAS Degree Apprenticeship Search Tool](#)

[UCAS Degree Apprenticeship Industry Guides](#)

[How to Find and Apply for an Apprenticeship](#) – If you are thinking of applying for an apprenticeship

[A guide to the Apprenticeship interview process](#)

## Applying to University

[UCAS Hub](#) – Practical tips on how to start your application and how to write a winning personal statement.

Featuring UCAS experts, careers advisers, unis and employers, and even students and apprentices.

[The Uni Guide Podcast](#) - University guidance, guest experts and a student panel conversations about university.

[UniTaster Days Guide to University](#) – a guide to support students to make informed university decisions.

[Everything you need to know about Student Finance](#) – 2025 applications now open, apply [here](#) now!

[Replying to University Offers](#) - A guide to replying to UCAS offers, your options and a list of useful deadlines, as well as hints and tips on replying.

## Oxbridge and Medicine

[UCAT 2024](#) – Key dates and information (**account creation opens 14<sup>th</sup> May 2024**)

[Tips on getting into Medicine](#)

[CareersDays](#) – find one day events and online work experience in medicine, dentistry, midwifery and others.

[The Medic Portal](#) – Why work experience is important, what Med Schools expect and arranging a placement.

[Oxbridge Applications – Five things you might not know](#)

[Cambridge University Subject Masterclasses](#) - Subjects for May: Linguistics, Law, Maths, Social Anthropology, History & Modern Languages and Music.

[UniAdmissions Guide – Considerations before applying to Oxbridge](#)

## For Parents

[Help your teen manage exam stress](#) and [how to help find work experience](#)

[Parents Guides to...](#) - available on the MRC website

[UCAS Parent's Guide](#) - Everything you need to support your child with their higher education choices

[Parent and Guardian Guide to Apprenticeships](#)

## Key Dates

### Year 12

7<sup>th</sup> May – TP3

10<sup>th</sup> May – Biology Practical (Winchester College)

23<sup>rd</sup> May – Parent's Evening (By Appointment Only)

3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> June – Internal Resits

3<sup>rd</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> June – Formal 9<sup>th</sup> Lesson Exams

2<sup>nd</sup> July – TP4

### Year 13

10<sup>th</sup> May – Year 13 Celebration Day

13<sup>th</sup> May – 21<sup>st</sup> June – External Exam Window

21<sup>st</sup> June – Leaver's Dinner (Cowdray Golf Course)





## YOUNG ENTERPRISE

The Young Enterprise Company Programme gives Year 12 students a fantastic opportunity to be part of a real business and learn through hands-on experience how set up, run and manage a business; selling shares, buying stock, marketing and selling. All skills that can massively benefit students for their launch into the world of work.

**Elliott:** We were incredibly grateful for the opportunity from Young Enterprise to take part in the company of the year competition, and it was an amazing experience. To come back with two awards was a major achievement and we, the team, believe we deserved them due to our hard work and determination. We have all put many hours of work into this and have worked extremely hard and were immensely proud to be recognized for our achievements. Regardless of our achievements, the Young Enterprise programme has been an amazing opportunity for us, and we have all learnt so much about business, teamwork, and communication. We all believe the Young Enterprise programme is ideal for any young people looking to work on skills in business and working in a team.

**Anton:** We are a group of students that took part in the Young Enterprise scheme in college. We were paired up with a business advisor and made up a business plan.

Our idea was personalised water bottles! This not only tackles the great environmental issue that one use plastic poses on our planet, but also makes reuseable bottles more fun! Our slogan is "Your bottle, your way." We believe that this is a great description of the product we provide.

Since October, we have sold 100 units and made a great profit, we reinvested our profit into improving our production, and we have recently expanded our product line into reuseable mugs also. Recently, the team attended a Company of the Year showcase at the American Express Stadium. We won two awards, including another for being finalists, we were given the "Best Team Journey" Award, and were recognized for having the best presentation at the showcase. It has truly been a great journey and we have all learned a great deal from it. We all greatly recommend this enrichment for those that are interested in enterprise.

If you wish to order a bottle or a mug (LIMITED STOCK), please message @\_bottlecanvas on Instagram!





## PERFORMING ARTS

### MRC presents School of Rock The Musical!

On the 16 and 17 May, The Performing Arts Team are very excited to invite you to come and rock out to our 2024 school production!

Tickets can be purchased through Arbor > Quick Actions > School Shop, buy your tickets in advance to avoid disappointment!

Doors open at 6.30pm for a 7pm start, we can't wait to see you there!

MRC presents

THE NEXT GENERATION

**SCHOOL of ROCK**

THE MUSICAL

SCHOOL PRODUCTION

BASED ON THE PARAMOUNT MOVIE WRITTEN BY MIKE WHITE


MUSIC BY ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER    SCRIPT BY JULIAN FELLOWES    LYRICS BY GLENN SLATER

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**THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup> MAY**  
**AND**  
**FRIDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MAY**

**AT 7PM IN THE MRC THEATRE**

TICKETS AVAILABLE ON ARBOR

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## LOCAL RUNS

For all those budding runners out there, a local events happening on the 18 May with medals for finishers!

### Northchapel 5k

Please click here to sign up for [Northchapel5k](#)

NORTHCHAPEL PTA PRESENTS

# NORTHCHAPEL

## 5K



SCS SOUTH COAST SPORTS


MEALS FOR FINISHERS

SATURDAY  
**18TH MAY 2024**  
START 11.00 AM

**NORTHCHAPEL VILLAGE GREEN**

PROUDLY SPONSORED BY SOUTH COAST SPORTS

FIND US ON FACEBOOK UNDER NORTHCHAPEL 5K FOR ENTRIES AND ALL DETAILS




# CRICKET CLUB

EVERY WEDNESDAY WITH MR LAMB & MR MARSHALL

**3.45pm-4.45pm**

ALL YEARS WELCOME

HARD & SOFT BALL





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## DIARY DATES – SPRING TERM

These dates are accurate at the time of publishing.

Date	Event
Monday 27 May 2024	Half Term (27-31 May)
Friday 19 July 2024	End of Summer Term

House Events Calendar 2023/24			
Month	Events & Faculty	Year Group	Head of House Link
May	Gym Challenge	Yr10/11	AHK
June	Art House Competition	TBC	JOT
July	Drama	Yr7	RHN
July	Music - Battle of Bands	Yr7	CHS
July	PE House Cricket	Yr7-8 Combined Yr9-19 Combined	AHK
July	PE - Sports Day	Yr7-10	All

 Performing Arts Calendar of events - Spring and Summer 2024 			
<b>Spring 2024</b>			
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	CFMDS Festival	Musical Theatre Y13 duologue	St Josephs Chichester
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> February	Dance House 1	MRC Dance Teams Minibus	Worthing Theatre
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	CFMDS Festival	Orchestra Jazz Band Flute ensemble	St Josephs School 9.45am Chichester
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	CFMDS Festival	MRC Singers Choir	St Josephs School Chichester
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	YR 11 Component 2 exam	GCSE Drama YR11	MRC Theatre
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring Concert	Orchestra Choir Jazz Strings, flutes Drama/production groups Soloists (by invite) Bands	MRC Theatre
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Rother Valley Arts Festival	MRC Dance Teams	MRC Theatre
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Courtney Pine at Ronnie Scotts	Y11 & 6 <sup>th</sup> form music	Ronnie Scotts London
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	YR 11 Choreography Showcase	GCSE Dance Yr11	MRC Theatre
<b>Summer 2024</b>			
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Dance House 2	MRC Dance Teams	Worthing Theatre
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	YR 10 Drama Performance	GCSE Drama YR10	MRC Theatre
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	School of Rock!	School Production Cast Band/musicians	MRC Theatre
June TBC	Drama Day	BTEC Performing Arts	MRC Theatre
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Pre-tour Concert	<b>Students that are coming to Belgium</b> Orchestra Choir BTEC Performing Arts Jazz Band Drama (Invite only)	Amphitheatre
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Drama and Music House Cup	YR 7	MRC Theatre Music P1-4 Drama 5-6
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> - Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Tour- Belgium	Orchestra Choir BTEC Performing Arts Jazz Band Drama (Invite only)	Belgium



## VACANCIES AT MIDHURST ROTHER COLLEGE

Please click on the following link for the latest vacancies at MRC:

<https://www.mrc-academy.org/about-us/vacancies>

## HELPFUL MRC WEBSITE LINKS

Arbor Information Guides: [Arbor Information Guides \(mrc-academy.org\)](https://www.mrc-academy.org/about-us/vacancies)

Arbor Link: [Midhurst Rother College \(arbor.sc\)](https://www.mrc-academy.org/about-us/vacancies)

College Calendar: <https://www.mrc-academy.org/information/calendar>

Homework: <https://www.mrc-academy.org/curriculum/homework>

Letters: <https://www.mrc-academy.org/communication/letters>

Educational Visits: [Midhurst Rother College > Communication > Letters \(mrc-academy.org\)](https://www.mrc-academy.org/communication/letters)

Staff Emails: <https://bit.ly/StaffEmailAddress>

Term Dates: [Midhurst Rother College > Information > College Term dates \(mrc-academy.org\)](https://www.mrc-academy.org/information/calendar)

School Cloud: <https://midhurst.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Sparx Maths: <https://www.sparxmaths.uk/student>

Sparx Reader: [Sparx Reader](https://www.sparxmaths.uk/student)

Lexia POWERUP Literacy - Login and Student Program: [Device Setup - PowerUp \(lexiapowerup.com\)](https://www.lexiapowerup.com)

Past editions of Midhurst Matters Newsletter [Midhurst Matters \(mrc-academy.org\)](https://www.mrc-academy.org)



## The Midhurst Rother College Summer Internship Programme

**Salary** : £300 per week

Are you currently in your penultimate or final year of undergraduate study? Are you interested in a teaching career? Why not spend two weeks at Midhurst Rother College experiencing what it is like to inspire and change the lives of students.

We are an 11-18 rural Academy situated in the beautiful and historic town of Midhurst. Our vision for Midhurst Rother College was created by all staff and students in December 2016. As a community, we agreed that we would promote respect, achievement and happiness to underpin the culture of our College. Our drive is to provide an excellent standard of education for the whole community which supports and develops each and every individual to be the very best they can be.

The two weeks will be between **Monday 24 June – Friday 5 July**.

During your two week placement, you will;

- Experience different roles within a school and education.
- Have a designated mentor to help you and develop your understanding of the education setting.
- Experience the classroom setting, by observing teachers within different subject areas, as well as your own subject specialism. You may even get an opportunity to co-teach with your mentor!

We would love to hear from you, no matter what your degree. We can offer an internship in a number of subjects, and it may be that your degree would be suitable for teaching a subject you that may not have considered! Most importantly, you will have a genuine interest in a teaching career, but we will look for the following in applicants;

- On track to achieve at least a 2.2 in an Honours Degree.
- Personable, approachable and a good sense of humour.
- Kind, patient and able to work as a team.
- A willingness to learn.

We expect several applicants, so please apply early.

If you have any questions, please contact Jordan Roberts ([Jordan.roberts@mrc-academy.org](mailto:Jordan.roberts@mrc-academy.org)).

**To apply**, please complete the following form;

<https://forms.office.com/e/YF7dVlyAbx>

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