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Date	Year Group	<b>Events/Details</b>	
Monday 20 May	13	Sociology Adv Paper 1 - A-Level	
	11	English Lit Paper 2 GCSE	
	12 & 13	Media Representations - BTEC L3	
	13	Economics Adv Paper 2 - A-Level	
	13	BTEC Performing Arts - Trip to see Mamma Mia	
Tuesday 21 May	11	German - GCSE	
	13	Politics A-Level	
	11	Computer Science - GCSE	
	10	Chichester Festival Theatre Trip	
Wednesday 22 May	11	Combined Science Physics - GCSE	
	11	Physics - GCSE	
	13	Psychology - A-Level	
	13	Turkish A-Level	
	11	Physical Education - GCSE	
	13	Further Maths	
Thursday 23 May	13	History - A-Level	
	12	Maths	
	11	English Lang - GCSE	
	11	Psychology - GCSE	
	13	Law - A-Level	
	10 & 12	Gallery Visit	
	12	Parents Evening	
Friday 24 May	13	Physical Education - A-Level	
	13	English Lit - A-Level	
	13	Physics - A-Level	
	11	French - GCSE	

Austen	Kipling	Tennyson	Woolf
121,429	138,203	137,554	116,073
(4,904)	(5,303)	(6,245)	(4,485)

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The exam season is now well underway – I am pleased with the positive attitude from Year 11 students and the way they are approaching the exams. Year 13 exams start in earnest next week and I wish them all the very best for these exams, too.

Our performance of School of Rock last night was absolutely fantastic! It was a real pleasure to see the students doing so well and I felt incredibly proud of them all, especially their hardwork and dedication to make it such a success. I would like to express my thanks to the performing arts staff for making the show possible for the students.

Mr Lamb, our Head of Year 10, has been in contact with Cowdray Park who have agreed that we can both train our cricket teams and use their facilities for matches against other schools. Cowdray is a lovely setting for these games and I am grateful to them for extending this opportunity to our students.

Best wishes.

# Stuart Edwards Principal

# **Assessments Coming Up!**

Week beginning: 20 May 2024

Assessments are coming up for the following year groups:

- Year 10: United Learning assessments for all subjects in the week beginning 10 June 2024
- Year 9: United Learning assessments for all subjects in the week beginning 10 June 2024
- Year 8: United Learning assessments for all subjects in the week beginning 10 June 2024
- Year 7 : United Learning assessments begin straight after half term for all subjects (3 June 2024 onwards)

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.

# **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)
Information for 11-18 year olds - Exam stress - Mind
Academic and exam stress : Mentally Healthy Schools

#### **STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**

# **Bella and Daisy**

Two of our students in Year 11, Bella and Daisy who are Young Leaders with Easebourne Rainbows and Easebourne Brownies have earned themselves the Bill Godfrey Award at Midhurst Town Council AGM, for their incredible hard work as Young Leaders not only supporting their Units but also the District too.

This was alongside working very hard towards passing their GCSEs which they are currently taking.







# **Daniel**

Daniel P in Year 9 is a budding photographer and has been invited to Goodwood to take photos at their events and going by his photo's we are not suprised!



# **LRC**

The Book Fair will be with us next week, open for students at break time and lunchtime from Monday 20 to Thursday 23 May. Books are sold at a discounted rate, so there are bargains to be had. Students can pay by cash or Scholastic book token, using link below:

https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers

#### **HISTORY DEPT**

Last Thursday saw twenty Year 5 pupils take part in a History experience day at MRC. The day was divided into 3 parts, the first of which involved a hands-on experience with objects from the Homefront during WW2. The second session saw them doing an in-depth look into the Blitz, again with many different objects to handle and make deductions from about the job of an Air Raid Warden.

The afternoon session went back in time 500 years to the Wars of the Roses where pupils were employed as detectives to work out the mystery of whether Richard III really did kill his nephews in the Tower. Using clues and historical interpretations the pupils made deductions and finished the day with a fantastic debate in which they all put forward some great ideas and argued their points with enthusiasm!

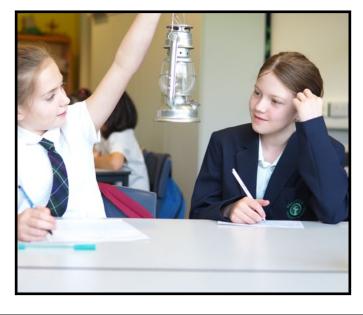


All in all a fantastic day with some superb young historians.

# Mr Hickman







#### **MRC CHEERLEADERS**

Well done to the MRC cheerleaders who competed on Sunday and put on their best performance yet. They enjoyed watching elite teams, did all their stunts and pyramid without error and came home with a 4th place trophy and medals.

# Well done Team!







#### **SCIENCE DEPARTMENT**

# **Student of The Week**

Students of the Week are as follows...

Year 7 - Pixie H

Year 8 - Beatrice H

Year 9 - Heidi C

Year 10 - Jess K

Year 11 - Amy F

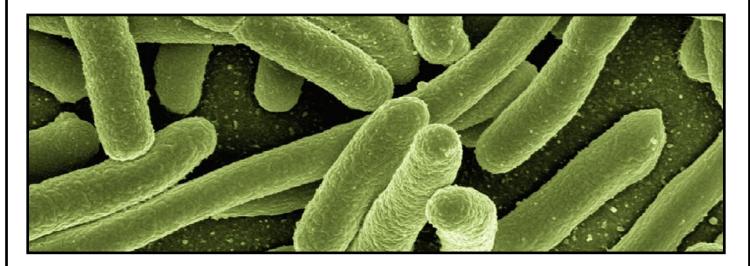
Well done to all our Science stars!



#### **WARNING - SWIMMING IN THE RIVER ROTHER**

As the weather warms up, the temptation to swim or paddle in the River Rother is irristisable to some students. Sadly, the river is not a safe place to swim due to the bacteria present, please encourage your children not to go in.

In the past, we have had Year 11 students miss GCSE exams due to picking up bacteria from the river leaving them too unwell to sit exams.



#### 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 refils.

#### **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**



#### **PE DEPARTMENT**

The Year 7 & 8 Cricket Team started their campaign with a final ball thriller verses The Regis School. The Regis needed 2 runs off the final ball to win which they just about managed before Oscar H took the bails off the stumps with a good throw. When setting the total, the boys played some brilliant shots, most notably Rufus P and Lucas C who sliced the field with a couple of lovely 4's. Oscar H kept his bat by batting all 12 overs in a solid display. Well done to Seb S for leading the team, planning the orders and setting all the fields, some fantastic



leadership skills on show! Congratulations to Josh C who collected his first wicket for the school and Oscar H who was the player of the match!

Mr Marshall

#### **MRC CRICKET CLUB**

MRC Cricket Club and cricket fixtures will now be played at Cowdray Cricket Club! This gives the students of MRC a fantastic opportunity to use three outdoor nets for training, where we can practice hard and softball, and play school fixtures on a pristine grass wicket with stunning surroundings! Remember anyone can come along to the Cricket Club and if you require any kit we will be able to provide this as well. It would be great to see some parents coming along on matchdays to support the school (car park on site). Thank you.

Mr Marshall & Mr Lamb







# LOCAL RUNS/EVENTS/CLUBS

## Northchapel 5k

Welcome to the Northchapel 5k 2024!

Lace up your trainers and get ready to hit the footpaths with fellow runners for a 5k race like no other. Whether you're a seasoned runner or just looking for a new challenge, this event is perfect for all levels.

Families, children and dogs are all welcome, and all money raised goes to support Northchapel Primary School and Pre-School.

Soak in the beautiful scenery and enjoy the camaraderie as you push yourself to the finish line. Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity to test your limits and make memories that will last a lifetime. See you at the starting line!

Medals for all finishers!

Sign up on the day.



# **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	АНК
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	АНК
July	PE - Sports Day	Yr7-10	All



# Performing Arts Calendar of events - Spring and Summer 2024

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Spring 2024			
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	CFMDS Festival	Musical Theatre	St Josephs
		Y13 duologue	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	St Josephs School
		Jazz Band	9.45am
		Flute ensemble	Chichester
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	CFMDS Festival	MRC Singers	St Josephs School
•		Choir	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	MRC Theatre
,		Choir	
		Jazz	
		Strings, flutes	
		Drama/production groups	
		Soloists (by invite)	
		Bands	
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	Y11 & 6 <sup>th</sup> form music	Ronnie Scotts
	Scotts		London
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	YR 11 Choreography	GCSE Dance Yr11	MRC Theatre
	Showcase		
Summer 2024			
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>	School of Rock!	School Production Cast	MRC Theatre
May		Band/musicians	
June TBC	Drama Day	BTEC Performing Arts	MRC Theatre
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Pre-tour Concert	Students that are coming to Belgium Orchestra	Amphitheatre
		Choir	
		BTEC Performing Arts	
		Jazz Band	
		Drama (Invite only)	
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Drama and Music House Cup	YR 7	MRC Theatre
, ,			Music P1-4
			Drama 5-6
Friday 8th- Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Tour- Belgium	Orchestra	Belgium
		Choir	
		BTEC Performing Arts	
		Jazz Band	

#### **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)

Arbor Link: Midhurst Rother College (arbor.sc)

College Calendar: <a href="https://www.mrc-academy.org/information/calendar">https://www.mrc-academy.org/information/calendar</a>

Homework: <a href="https://www.mrc-academy.org/curriculum/homework">https://www.mrc-academy.org/curriculum/homework</a>

Letters: <a href="https://www.mrc-academy.org/communication/letters">https://www.mrc-academy.org/communication/letters</a>

Educational Visits: Midhurst Rother College > Communication > Letters (mrc-academy.org)

Staff Emails: <a href="https://bit.ly/StaffEmailAddress">https://bit.ly/StaffEmailAddress</a>

Term Dates: Midhurst Rother College > Information > College Term dates (mrc-academy.org)

School Cloud: <a href="https://midhurst.schoolcloud.co.uk/">https://midhurst.schoolcloud.co.uk/</a>
Sparx Maths: <a href="https://www.sparxmaths.uk/student">https://www.sparxmaths.uk/student</a>

Sparx Reader: Sparx Reader

Lexia POWERUP Literacy - Login and Student Program: Device Setup - PowerUp (lexiapowerup.com)

Past editions of Midhurst Matters Newsletter Midhurst Matters (mrc-academy.org)

