



# MIDHURST MATTERS

Date	Year Group	Events/Details
Monday 30 September	All year groups	House Events this week and Black History Month
Tuesday 1 October		
Wednesday 2 October		
Thursday 3 October	7	Parent/Carer Information / Tutor Evening - 6.30pm Theatre
Friday 4 October		

Austen	Kipling	Tennyson	Woolf
13,550 (7358)	14,879 (8531)	15,656 (8948)	15,743 (8960)

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

A shorter message from me this week, as it is a shorter week. Staff will be in school on Friday for our INSET day but students are not required to attend.

This week has been very positive in school. I would like to thank all our students and especially our Year 7, 12 and 13 for helping on our open evening. We had a large number of students and families visit us. I hope those families will make the decision to trust us to educate and care for their child for their secondary education.

We have had further external visitors to the school this week, some of whom met with our students. The visitors were impressed with the way our students conduct themselves and fed back to me that the school has a lovely and warm atmosphere. It is always good to receive comments like this.

Thanks again to our students who represented the school in sport fixtures this week.

Have a good weekend

Best wishes

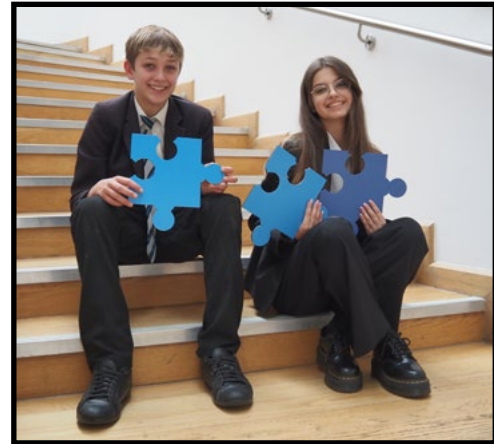
**Stuart Edwards**  
Principal



## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

### Winners!

Two of our lucky attendance winners took home their chosen prizes this week after receiving them in assembly. Your child can put themselves in the draw this year by achieving 96% attendance or above. Also, your children will be aware that we are looking to hold a silent disco for all those students who receive 100% attendance between 23 Sept – 4 Oct and want to attend.

A promotional graphic for a silent disco event. It features a white headphones icon with a heartbeat line, the text 'silent disco' in a large, white, sans-serif font, and a background of a person in a suit dancing. The text is set against a dark purple and black background with a subtle pattern of stars.

A silent disco is an event at which people dance to music that is transmitted through headphones rather than played over a speaker system.

**Before the end of the half-term for all those students who achieve 100% from 23 September – 4 October (and want to attend)**

You will be invited to the silent disco and allowed to listen to your own music (using your own phone/mp3 player and headphones). We will look to help those students out where this might be an issue.

### Absence

Please ensure that you communicate with us each day for any/all absences. Leave a message for the Attendance team on 01730 812451 (select option 1) or make contact via email: [attendance@mrc-academy.org](mailto:attendance@mrc-academy.org).

If your child needs to attend an appointment, please send us a copy of any supporting information such as a medical letter or appointment card. Our website (Attendance Matters ([mrc-academy.org](http://mrc-academy.org))) contains further information, including links to our policies and a link to our student absence request form. You may also find this link useful from the NHS, Is my child too ill for school? We work closely with the legislation as laid out in the DfE's Working together to improve school attendance (applies from 19 August 2024) ([publishing.service.gov.uk](https://publishing.service.gov.uk)) publication to ensure that we fulfil the government's mandate on attendance and support you and your child.

Thank you for your continued support in relation to all matters related to attendance, and we hope that you agree that attendance really does matter.

**The Attendance Team**

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## 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 - we have female staff in the hub to help if preferred.



### 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.

### Winter Is Coming

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

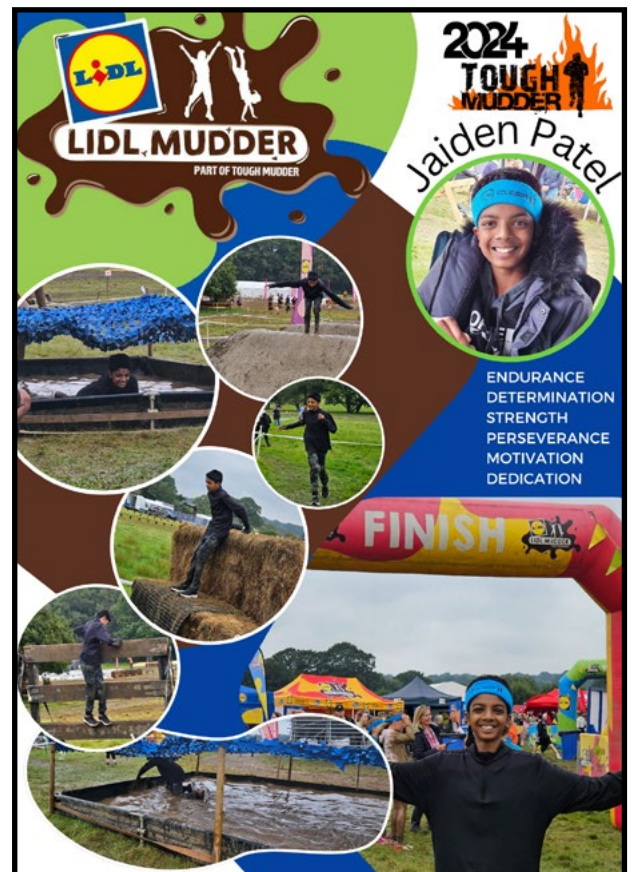
Coats over blazers are of course perfectly acceptable, we don't want anyone getting cold, but hoodies are not permitted for school, PE or Dance - we have a no hoodies on site policy. Please click on the link below for the uniform policy if you are unsure on any of the uniform.

<https://www.mrc-academy.org/Portals/0/Information/Policies/Behaviour%20and%20Attitudes/Uniform%20policy.pdf?ver=foOwQucg9s5BDEfPR4hREA%3d%3d&timestamp=1621346226293>

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Last weekend, Jaiden P in Year 9 participated in the Lidl Mudder 2024, part of the Tough Mudder Event held in Faygate. Jaiden tackled a challenging 1-mile obstacle course and demonstrated incredible determination and resilience throughout the event.

This was his first time participating in such an event, completely stepping out of his comfort zone, and we are immensely proud of him for not giving up! Well done Jaiden.





## PRELOVED PROM DRESS SALE - SATURDAY 19 OCTOBER

Year 11, 12, 13

The Bishop Luffa School in Chichester is holding a preloved prom dresses event, dresses will be available to buy and sell. This is a great event for sellers as we supply a captive audience thus increasing your chances of selling.

Over 100 dresses were in stock at the last event in a variety of sizes, colours and designs.

Bishop Luffa School very much look forward to welcoming our families to buy and sell at their sale on Saturday 19 October 2024.

## FOODBANK FRIDAY

On Friday 18 October, we will be holding our first Foodbank Friday of the year. We are always overwhelmed by your generosity in supporting our local Midhurst 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 pastoral leader.



## GCSE AND A LEVEL FINE ART/TEXTILES/PHOTOGRAPHY COURSEWORK AND EXTERNALLY SET ASSIGNMENTS 2024

A reminder that all coursework is available for collection between 31 October 2024 - 14 February 2025 (students work cannot be collected before this date due to exam regulations) - after this date we cannot guarantee storage of the work. Please email [tracey.bedford@mrc-academy.org](mailto:tracey.bedford@mrc-academy.org) to arrange collection.

# Supporting a Child with ADHD



Challenge the stereotypes and get practical help

**Tuesday 24th Sept** (7pm to 9pm) £24

Available to book now

[facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)



## SEP/OCT TIMETABLE

Talks are delivered online via zoom 7pm to 9pm £24 each

Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

<b>FREE SESSIONS</b>	
<b>Supporting Kids with School Anxiety</b>	<b>26 SEP</b>
<b>Introduction to Facing Defiance</b>	<b>24 OCT</b>
Understanding Anger	23 SEP
Supporting a Child with ADHD	24 SEP
Understanding the Teenage Brain	7 OCT
Raising Self-Esteem	8 OCT
Decreasing Depression	15 OCT
Anxiety Explained	17 OCT
Understanding Anger	21 OCT
Drug Awareness for Parents	22 OCT
Autism: Improving Communication	28 OCT
Introduction to OCD	29 OCT
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	31 OCT
Improving Family Communication	4 NOV
Raising Self-Esteem	5 NOV

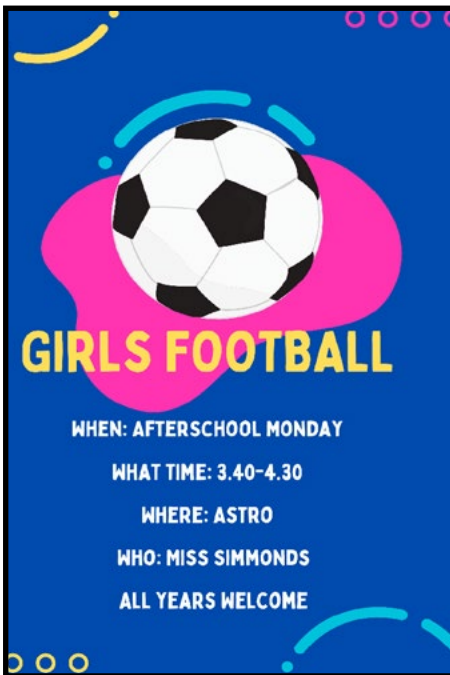
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## PE DEPARTMENT

We will be running a variety of after school clubs this term, details below.



### Year 9 Football Match

The Year 9 football team had their first fixture of the season against St Philip Howard School. The team made a fast start to the match with Eddie S-H and Frank C giving us a 2–0 lead. St Philip Howard came back into it with an unfortunate own goal to make it 2-1 at half time. A slow start to the second half saw us concede 3 quick goals to give them a 4-2 lead, but the team responded with 2 goals from Eddie and Frank. St Philip Howard scored a 5th goal in the last 5 minutes against the run of play to win the game. The team were fantastic and battled hard all game. We look forward to the second game next Tuesday.

### Mr Bentley

#### Year 7/8 Rugby Match v Ormiston Six Villages

A 32-26 win for MRC against a good opposition. Tries from several players including, Harry S and Danny B. Notable excellent performances from Rory P and Lucas C.



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## HOUSE EVENTS

# YEAR 7 X vs Y

## Year Half Championship

<b>Dodgeball</b>	<b>26.09.24</b>
<b>Pedathlon</b>	<b>11.10.24</b>
<b>Crash Mat Sliding</b>	<b>25.10.24</b>
<b>100m Sprint</b>	<b>8.11.24</b>
<b>Kahoot Quiz</b>	<b>22.11.24</b>
<b>Finale</b>	<b>6.12.24</b>

**Point tally can be found outside  
the library, or in tutor slides**

## EVENTS



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**A DATE FOR  
YOUR DIARY**

**Fireworks Night**

**Friday 8 November**  
**Gates open 6.00pm**

**2024**



## NORTHCHAPEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

One of our rural feeder schools has been devastated by flash flooding which has impacted greatly on the schools daily life. The insurance sadly doesn't cover all the damage and the childrens outdoor play area is one of them.

The school needs to raise over £30k and are literally running a festive fundraiser in the form of a Santa Dash! Full details below and to sign up, please click this link <https://racesignup.co.uk/site/event.php?eventid=4649>

If running isn't for you their fundraising page can be found here <https://www.justgiving.com/page/northchapelptaflood> if you would rather give a donation.

**NORTHCHAPEL**

# SANTA DASH

## 5K, 2.5K & U5'S RACE

**Santa Hat or  
Full Suit  
Up to You!**



## SUNDAY

## 1ST DEC

## 10.30AM

**ADULT 5K - £15**

**WITH LANGHAMS LOOP OR PROSECCO PLOD OPTION - £18**

**ADULT 2.5K - £8**

**WITH LANGHAMS LOOP OR PROSECCO PLOD OPTION - £11**

**CHILDREN U15 - £5**

**CHILD UP TO 5YRS - £2 FAMILY DOG - £2**

**WWW.RACESIGNUP.CO.UK/NORTHCHAPEL**

**PICK THE LANGHAM LOOP OR THE PROSECCO PLOD & ENJOY  
A PINT OF LANGHAM BEER OR GLASS OF PROSECCO HALFWAY!**



## MIDHURST MILERS



**MIDHURST MILERS** IN CONJUNCTION WITH FERNHURST RECREATION GROUND TRUST PRESENT

# BLACKDOWN HILL CHALLENGE

A 6.5km race from Fernhurst Recreation Ground to Temple of the Winds, Blackdown. In addition to a climb of 230m the route provides outstanding views across Sussex, Surrey and Hampshire. We will also offer a less challenging trail race for adults of approximately 4.5km.

**10:30 Sunday 20 October 2024**

The Pavilion, Fernhurst Recreation Ground GU27 3HY

**£15/£16** • ENTER ONLINE AT [www.midhurstmilers.org](http://www.midhurstmilers.org)



**MIDHURST MILERS** IN CONJUNCTION WITH FERNHURST RECREATION GROUND TRUST PRESENT

# 2K & 4K JUNIOR TRAIL RACES

6-8 YEARS

9-11 YEARS

12-15 YEARS

Junior races from Fernhurst Recreation Ground, a 2k trail race for 6-8 and 9-11 years, and 4k race for 12-15 years.

**9:30 Sunday 20 October 2024**

The Pavilion, Fernhurst Recreation Ground GU27 3HY

NEW FOR 2024

### SCHOOL TEAM RACE

Mixed teams of six pupils • Primary and Secondary school categories  
£42 per team • For details please email Sarah Jenkins sarah330@hotmail.com

**ONLY £7** • ENTER ONLINE AT [www.midhurstmilers.org](http://www.midhurstmilers.org)



teamwork | respect | enjoyment  
discipline | sportsmanship

## Join the club....

New and returning players welcome at all ages

### Minis, Juniors and Colts

Boys and Girls  
Sundays 10am

### Adult Men

Harvey's Sussex Counties League  
Training Wednesdays 7.15pm



Classic Revival Photography

Go to [midhurstrugby.co.uk](http://midhurstrugby.co.uk)



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## MRC Performing Arts - Calendar of Events 2024 - 2025

DATE	EVENT	STUDENTS INVOLVED	VENUE	STAFF	TIME
Autumn 2024					
Friday 25 October	<b>CFMDS – Deadline for entries</b>	<i>Orchestra, jazz, choir plus soloists/individual entries</i>	<i>Chichester</i>		
Thursday 7 November	Rotary Concert	Orchestra Choir Jazz Band	MRC Theatre (P5&6 theatre only)	RSR STY RBN	P5,6 & eve
Wednesday 20 November	Bright Sparks	<b>Compulsory</b> for KS4 & 5 Music students	Royal Festival Hall- London	STY ? ?	All day
Wednesday 27 November	Music for Youth Proms	Trip – All students that wish to attend.	Royal Albert Hall- London	STY ????	evening
Wednesday 4 December	Winter Concert	Orchestra Choir Jazz Strings, Flutes Drama/Production Groups Soloists (by invite) Bands	MRC Theatre	VSN KMS RSR ABM STY RBN	All day and eve
Thursday 7 December	Tree of Hope Service	Musicians - Invite only (P6 rehearsals)	Easebourne Church	STY RSR	P6 & eve
Monday 16 December	Pantos	Year 10 GCSE drama	Theatre	(VSN) KMS	All day and eve All of theatre and studio
Tuesday 17 December	Carol Service	Orchestra Choir Jazz Band	Midhurst Church	RSR RBN STY	day
Wednesday 18 December	Carol Service	Orchestra Choir Musical Theatre/BTEC Jazz Band	Midhurst Church	STY RSR RBN	day
Thursday 19 December	Pantos	Year 10 GCSE drama	Theatre	VSN (KMs)	All day and eve ALL of theatre
Spring 2024					
	Dance House 1	MRC Dance Teams Minibus	Worthing Theatre	CRN ABM	
1 or 2 March (TBC)	CFMDS Festival	Orchestra Jazz Band Flute ensemble	St Joseph's School	STY RSR RBN	Weekend

DATE	EVENT	STUDENTS INVOLVED	VENUE	STAFF	TIME
8 March	CFMDS	Choirs	St Joseph's School	STY (CMN)	
Tuesday 18 March	YR 11 Component 2 exam (1)	GCSE Drama YR11	MRC Theatre	VSN KMS	All day & eve
Wednesday 19 March	YR 11 Component 2 exam (2)	GCSE Drama YR11	MRC Theatre	VSN KMS	All day & eve
Thursday 20 March	Gilbert Hannam day	Orchestra	St. Mary Magdalene & St. Denys	STY RSR RBN	P1-4
Wednesday 26 March	Spring Concert	Orchestra Choir Jazz Strings, flutes Drama/production groups Soloists (by invite) Bands	MRC Theatre	VSN KMS RSR ABM STY RBN	All day & eve
Friday 28 March	Rother Valley Arts Festival	MRC Dance Teams	MRC Theatre	CRN MHY	Evening only
Tuesday 1 April	ROH Create and Sing launch for Magic Flute	Invited students – Singers plus orchestral players (audition)	Royal Opera House	STY or RSR	Day
<b>Summer 2024</b>					
April TBC	Y13 Music Recital	Y13	MRC Theatre	N/A	After school
Tuesday 6 May	YR 10 Drama Performance	GCSE Drama YR10	MRC Theatre	KMS VSN	All day & eve
Thursday 8 May	YR 10 Drama Performance	GCSE Drama YR10	MRC Theatre	KMS VSN	All day & eve
Wednesday 21 May	Y12 Component 1	Year 12	MRC Theatre	VSN KMS	All day
Tuesday 24 June	Magic Flute	Invited students	Royal Festival Hall	RSR or STY	All day & Eve
June TBC	Drama Day		MRC Theatre	VSN	
Thursday 26 June	Addams Family – School production!	Cast and orchestra of Addams family	MRC Theatre	VSN STY KMS RSR ABM RBN	
Friday 27 June	Addams Family – School production	Cast and orchestra of Addams family	MRC Theatre	VSN STY KMS RSR ABM RBN	
Tuesday 15 July	Drama and Music House Cup	YR 7	MRC Theatre Music P1-4 Drama 5-6	STY RSR KMS ABM HOH's	All day



## DIARY DATES – AUTUMN TERM

These dates are accurate at the time of publishing.

Date	Event
16 Sept	Year 11 Parent/Carer Information Evening - 6pm
17 Sept	Year 8 Parent/Carer Information Evening - 6.30pm
18 Sept	Year 13 Parent/Carer Information Evening - 6.30pm
19 Sept	Year 7 Welcome Evening from 6.30pm
25 Sept	Prospective Students Open Evening - 6pm - 8pm
27 Sept	INSET Day
3 Oct	Year 7 Parent/Carer Information and Tutor Evening - 6.30pm

# MRC HOUSE EVENT CALENDAR TERM 1 - 2024/25

Week beginning	Event	Subject	Year Group
<b>23 September</b>	Scavenger Hunt	MFL	7
	MFL Dictionary		All
<b>30 September</b>	Black History Month	History	All
<b>7 October</b>	Just Dance	PE	All
<b>14 October</b>	GeoGuesser	Geography	All
<b>2 October</b>	Cross Country	PE	All
<b>4 November</b>	Photography 1	Photography	All
<b>11 November</b>	STEM Day	Science	All
<b>18 November</b>	Art Scholars	Art	Art Scholars
<b>25 November</b>	Football & Netball	PE	All
<b>2 December</b>	Castle Model	History	7
<b>9 December</b>	Indoor Athletics	PE	7 & 8
<b>16 December</b>	Christmas Tree	Art	All

# MRC HOUSE EVENT CALENDAR

## TERM 2 - 2024/25

Week beginning	Event	Subject	Year Group
6 January	Creative Writing	English	All
13 January	Open Performance	Drama	All
27 January	Chess	History	All
3 February	Cross Country 2	PE	All
10 February	Mario Kart	PE	All
24 February	World Maths Day	Maths	All
3 March	Photography 2	Photography	All
10 March	World Science Week	Science	All
17 March	Badminton	PE	All
24 March	Holocaust	RP	All
31 March	Volleyball	PE	All

# MRC HOUSE EVENT CALENDAR

## TERM 3 - 2024/25

Week beginning	Event	Subject	Year Group
22 April	Open Performance	Music	All
19 May	Chess	History	All
19 May	Art	Art	All
2 June	Photography 3	Photography	All
30 June	Sports Day	PE	All
7 July	We will rock you!	Music	7
14 July	Greek Theatre	Drama	7

### 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)

Arbor Link: [Midhurst Rother College \(arbor.sc\)](https://www.arbor.sc)

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)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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