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TERMS 3 & 4 | 2016/17 | THE ROWANS

SPRING EDITION

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World Book Day



In Term 4 we celebrated World Book Day, with an 'Alice in Wonderland' theme. Staff and pupils all dressed up as characters from the story, ready for 'The Rowans' Mad Hatter's Tea Party' in the afternoon.



In their houses, pupils and staff completed quizzes and tasks such as 'Alice in Numberland' whilst enjoying a tea party.

To view more of the photos visit our website or twitter feed!



After School Hours!

The Rowans school day doesn't end at 3pm! Our dedicated pupils have been staying after school to enjoy the extra curricular activities, and also to enhance their chances of achieving as many qualifications.

- Our Year 11 pupils have been staying late to complete the ECDL GCSE (European Computer Driving License) after school
- KS4 pupils staying behind for extra Maths revision sessions
- Year 11 pupils staying to practice for their GCSE English exam (with many pupils making up to 3 grades improvement in a recent mock!)
- Various catch up sessions on options subjects such as Art, Sociology and DT

Well done to all these pupils stretching themselves to fulfil their potential!



Pupil Led Assemblies

In term four, Miss Johnson's role of taking assemblies was taken over by Year 11 pupils. George was the first pupil to lead an assembly, and got more laughs than Miss Johnson could ever dream of! Head Boy Ryan was next, who gave the most eloquent (and sharply dressed) assembly The Rowans has ever seen. This further shows, just how amazing and lovely our pupils are!



Attendance Reward

In terms three and four, pupils with 100% attendance were rewarded with trips to Creams Restaurant in Chatham.

The number of pupils with 100% attendance has increased rapidly this year. Many pupils at The Rowans have above the national average attendance percentage, and our overall percentage is far in excess of the average attendance for PRUs nationally. This is an outstanding achievement, but we want this to keep improving!

As you can see from the images, our pupils certainly enjoyed their trips to Creams!



TEACHING AND LEARNING AT THE ROWANS

Just some of the outstanding teaching and learning that happens everyday at The Rowans. Visit our twitter feed (@TheRowansPRU) to see more of what our pupils are up to.



You Retweeted

J Nolan @_Nobly · 27/02/2017
Loved Jeremy Kyle speaking & listening lesson. Yr 10s eloquently argued who to blame for deaths in Blood Brothers

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You Retweeted

PCheal @PCheal25 · 03/02/2017
@TheRowansPRU boys working superbly in their last session of #Engineering. Many thanks to @MidKentCollege for yet another brilliant course!

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You Retweeted

Donna Banks @D_M_Banks · 08/03/2017
GCSE photography students at @TheRowansPRU have been inspired by the work of @maurenbrodbeck this term #inspiringchange #ShelnspiresMe ♀

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You Retweeted

Fiona May @FionaMay003 · 6d
So proud of the work done by group LK on the European Union and Brexit today @TheRowansPRU @ketc1001 #lovegeography

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You Retweeted

Rowans Interventions @int... · 21/02/2017
Taking the phonics intervention outside @TheRowansPRU! #inspiringchange #thinkingoutsidethebox #enjoylearning

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You Retweeted

L Ketcher @ketc1001 · 01/02/2017
Amazing Micro:bit lesson today with form CH. They are all making so much progress. @TheRowansPRU

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You Retweeted

Rowans Interventions @int... · 23/02/2017
1st handwriting intervention for this pupil today. He applied what he'd learnt in his @TheRowansDT lesson. #inspiringchange #proud

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You Retweeted

F Ravate @TheRowansArt · 22/03/2017
KS3 pupils enjoying experimenting with the wax resist technique- Batik!

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You Retweeted

L Gale @TheRowansDT · 5d
Resistant Materials group busy working on their practical projects. Can't wait to see the finished pieces @TheRowansPRU

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J Nolan @_Nobly · 21/03/2017
It's always great to see pupils helping each other to develop their understanding of complex Photoshop techniques

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You Retweeted

Mr Wallis @MrWallis77 · 21/02/2017
#mirrorimage #reflection #TeamMath form JN @_Nobly @TheRowansPRU #fun creating a 'reflected' classroom!

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WE ❤️ TWITTER

FOLLOW @THEROWANSPRU TO SEE ALL THE AMAZING PROGRESS OUR PUPILS ARE MAKING

BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

Day One

Royal Engineers Museum visited us to teach KS3 pupils about catapults and building bridges. Pupils learnt about the forces of drag, air resistance and friction and how to overcome these forces. Pupils learnt how to maximise the amount of energy delivered to destroy the castle with their boulder on the trebuchet.



Day Two

KS3 pupils in JN & CH visited the science museum where we looked around the exhibits. We then went into our Rockets workshop where we learnt about forces, gravitational pull, the curvature of the earth and energy. After, we went to the Wonder Lab where we played with the hands on exhibits and experiments. We all had a great time and learnt interesting science facts.



Day Three

KS3 pupils in forms LK and DP visited Howletts Zoo to learn about the animals and how they reintroduce them to the wild. We worked in the workshop making food parcels for the monkeys and listening to our zoo keeper about how these animals are enriched. We spent the rest of the day enjoying the zoo in the sunshine watching the animals grazing and laying out in the sun.



Days Four & Five

KS4 pupils in Mr Wallis's classes took part in a World Record attempt for fingerprinting. They had to solve the crime using fingerprints and other forms of evidence. At the end of Science week KS3 enjoyed a visit from Zoo Lab. Pupils held and stroked various animals such as; a giant land snail, baby rats, a corn snake, a hissing cockroach and a scorpion. Some pupils, even though they were scared, still touched and even held the corn snake!





THANK YOU!



IN 2017 WE HAVE RAISED MORE MONEY THAN EVER THANKS TO OUR PUPILS, THEIR FAMILIES AND OUR STAFF. TWO INCREDIBLE CAUSES HAVE BENEFITTED FROM YOUR GENEROSITY.

RED NOSE DAY



This year's Red Nose Day was a record breaker!

Staff and pupils all paid to wear their own clothes, and lots of red noses were sold. In addition to this, staff and pupils (such as Stefan pictured top left) paid to have their face painted by Miss Ravate and Miss Horsley.

After all these fundraising efforts, we are delighted to announce that we raised £298 for Comic Relief. We would like to thank all the pupils and their parents/carers who contributed to such a wonderful cause.

Thank you to www.cakealicious.org who donated the amazing red nose cakes.



BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION



One way The Rowans loves to raise money for good causes, is to eat cake! For British Heart Foundation, Miss Banks kindly made lots of cakes to sell with all proceeds going to the British Heart Foundation. Staff and pupils also raised money by purchasing tickets for the charity raffle and making donations to wear their own clothes.

Another demonstration of The Rowans' generosity!



SPORT AT THE ROWANS

INTER-HOUSE BASKETBALL

28th March was the house basketball competition at Lordswood leisure centre. Over 40 pupils represented their houses with pride and some excellent basketball skills were on show. Behaviour was exemplary and this just shows how far we have come as a school.

Gladiators were the overall winners on the day with Titans second Warriors third and Spartans fourth. All of the houses displayed amazing team spirit and there was a great atmosphere all afternoon.



JUDO

This term had seen the first satellite sports club run at The Rowans. Walderslade Judo club have delivered sessions every Monday. All pupils who attended the sessions have made excellent progress and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.



L Ketcher @ketch001 - Mar 6
Another amazing judo session. The boys are making so much progress and most importantly enjoying themselves
[@TheRowansPRU](#)



THE ROWANS FC

The Rowans football teams KS3 & KS4 have been very successful this during terms 3&4. Playing against Thomas Aveling, Brompton Academy & The Howard School the boys have worked together as a team to produce some outstanding performances. Goal of the month is awarded to Jack Abbott for his left foot rocket against the Howard.



★ THE ROWANS' STARS ★

STUDENT OF THE WEEK WINNERS...

STAN



ION



PHIL



MATT



DEMI



CIAR



CONNIE



RILEY



FABIAN



INTERVENTIONS STAR WINNERS...

FABIAN ^{x2!}



GEORGE ^{x2!}



LEYTON



JOHN



ASHLEY



MATT



JAMES



ALFIE

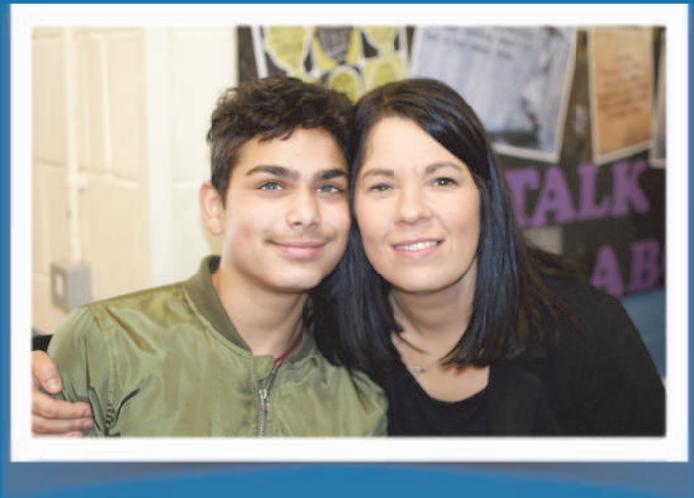




THE FINAL WORD...

“As Miss Keeble always says ‘you get out what you put in’, and currently we are seeing this in action”

The last two terms have been as busy as ever and we have had such fun. Teaching and learning has been stronger than ever and all pupils have been working hard and making good progress. We have welcomed many new pupils and their families to The Rowans and they have all made a positive start. The Rowans Twitter feed shows the many amazing achievements throughout these last two terms and I really enjoy flicking back through these tweets and celebrating our successes. I would urge everyone to follow @TheRowansPRU and enjoy the tweets. As is always true at The Rowans, alongside hard work, success and learning we exploit every opportunity to celebrate, compete, raise money and enjoy new experiences. We raised a record £298 for Red Nose Day, parents, pupils and staff all pulled together to raise this amount which will make a big difference to people less fortunate than us.



For me, the most important development for The Rowans has been the celebration assemblies on a Friday morning and especially two of these assemblies which were presented by George and Ryan. I have loved presenting these assemblies and celebrating all of the positives of our learners, they make me proud to be the head of The Rowans, the only issue is that they appear to be getting longer and longer every week - so many positives to praise.

The Year 11 pupils have been working so hard this year, they are all revising at school and at home as well as working hard in their lessons, as Miss Keeble always says ‘you get out what you put in’, and currently we are seeing this in action. I know that the staff are going to really feel it when we say goodbye to this bunch, many of whom have been with us for quite a few years. My last mention is to the Key Stage 4 girls, all of them are just amazing, they work hard, they are polite and motivated to do their very best. It is great for my staff to teach such a positive group of pupils.

This year has been great so far and after the well earned Easter break we will all be back rejuvenated to finish of the academic year in the same positive way it started. -

Miss Johnson