

# RHS Parent Bulletin

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### Sixth Form Trip to PGL

"PGL was a great balance of learning important revision skills and having fun with other students in our sixth form."

Amy, Year 13



Image above: Lottie in Year 12 takes flight at PGL Osmington Bay

From Friday 1st April to Monday 4th April, 40 of our sixth form students took part in our first ever RHS Sixth Form 'Big Weekend'. This brand new residential was designed to support students in learning key revision skills, balanced with a range of fun, community building activities.

All students took part in several revision workshops led by Ms Ohana and Ms Horton, which gave students the space to try a range of revision techniques and reflect on the ones they found most useful. During these sessions, the students impressed all the staff with their diligence and enthusiasm when planning and starting their revision.

Beyond these sessions, students had the opportunity to get involved in activities, such as raft building and 'survivor', which taught students vital skills for surviving in the wild (you never know when you'll get lost in Ruislip Lido). On the final day, students had the chance to show their competitive sides, with a range of team challenges thrown at them.

Ms Ohana, who led the trip, said: "Ms Horton and I have always wanted to run a study residential with sixth form students - we are so glad that we had the opportunity to do so this year. The students all demonstrated that they are excellent ambassadors for Ruislip High. Their enthusiasm over the weekend was a joy to see and I feel incredibly lucky to work with such wonderful students."

Thank you to all of the students and staff who made the first Sixth Form Residential a huge success!

#### Return to the Fairytale Forest



Image above: The incredible cast of The Fairytale Forest

"I absolutely loved being involved in the school pantomime. I can't wait for the next one!"

Julian, Year 8

At the end of last term, we were all treated to the RHS production, 'Return to the Fairytale Forest'.

The tradition of the RHS Christmas Production, began life as a Sixth Form pantomime. However, the Christmas production has grown to incorporate students from across the school with this year's incredible cast ranging from Year 8 to Year 13. All students followed a rigorous and demanding rehearsal schedule, all to prepare for the final performances, which took place on Wednesday 30th and Thursday 31st March, 2022 to delighted members of the RHS community - parents, students and staff alike.

The final performances were a testament to the student's incredible resilience in the face of adversity. Not only did the cast have to delay the performances from December to March, they also had to adapt very quickly to last minute changes, when several cast members unfortunately had to drop out due to illness. However, beyond some ropey line reading by Mrs Ohana (who filled in for a narrator), you would never have guessed the issues the students had faced. On stage, the students gave it their all and their talent and enthusiasm shone. Audiences laughed throughout and were delighted by the magic of theatre.

As always the true highlight of the production was the students, with particular congratulations to Mia and Julian in Year 8, Giselle in Year 10, Libby in Year 11, Rebecca and Cody in Year 12 and Winta in Year 13. All of these students had demanding roles, which saw them on stage for the majority of the play - with Libby and Julian taking on extra roles at the last minute to fill in for those students who sadly couldn't make the performances.

Finally, a huge well done to all of the staff who supported the production, especially Mrs Ohana, Mr Randall, Mr Alexander and Ms Nastou for supporting all rehearsals in both direction and musical direction.

## Key Dates (subject to change):

| Date                                   | Event                                 |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Saturday 30th April to Tuesday 3rd May | Silver DofE - pre-assessed expedition |
| Thursday 5th May                       | Year 9 Trip to RAF Northolt           |
| Saturday 21st May to Monday 23rd May   | Bronze DofE - pre-assessed expedition |
| Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd May      | Half term holiday                     |
| Tuesday 7th June at 6pm                | Parent Voice Group Meeting            |

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